

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

To: Msgr. Barres
From: Msgr. J. Thomas Cini
Subject: Fr. DeLuca
Date: October 28, 2003
CC: Bishop Saltarelli

W-003

In response to your memorandum of October 20, 2003 wherein you note the need for some testimony relating to an admission by Fr. DeLuca, please note the following.

Documentation is in the file, written by Msgr. C. Lemon, stating that on November 29, 1993 Msgr. Lemon "confronted Frank at the rectory ... reviewed the testimony I (he) had received from M. and his parents - stated the allegation and (I) asked if it was true. No denial." The testimony goes on to state that Fr. DeLuca went to "Trinity" to discuss with Benedict Groeschel and [Redacted - Conf. Med. Recs.] [Redacted - Conf. Med. Recs.]

In testimony in the [Redacted - Conf. Med. Recs.] Fr. DeLuca stated that there was contact with five young men/boys and while no penetration or fondling was involved, orgasm occurred "while on top of the boys that he was involved with."

In a telephone conversation with Frank on September 17, 2002, I told him of the allegation made by W-003 and W-003's retention of counsel. In that conversation I stated we were a little confused since [Redacted] [Redacted] Did W-003 mistakenly identify Fr. DeLuca? I said, "Would I be correct in concluding Mike Ward was probably mistaken in accusing you (Frank)?" Fr. DeLuca responded, "I (you) would not be correct" in that conclusion. Fr. DeLuca went on to describe the incident: "There was one time on a trip ..."