

Review Board

Case #2 - January 25, 1993 (6/21/93)

1. Allegation:

Sexually molested a young woman at age seventeen and a half by pressing his body against her and coming to orgasm on two occasions and touching her genitals once. There is some question about her credibility.

Physically abusing and sexually molesting the son of a woman he was having an affair with. He is accused of having an erection and rubbing his genitals against the boy while wrestling and of touching the boy's genitals on another occasion.

2. Response:

He was devastated by these allegations. He denied them. He is on edge, angry and fearful of losing control. He admitted to remembering having an erection when wrestling with the boy. He has no interest in boys.

3. Background of Priest:

He has been in the military. He is anxious and aggressive in his manner. There was a complaint by a housekeeper once about his pushing her.

He seems to be a volatile person who works hard at being a good priest.

4. Action to Date:

An assessment at the Institute of Living and a monitored residence at Our Lady's Hall in Milton.

Assessment found no evidence of sexual dysfunctioning. He is reported as being one who is impulsive and aggressive and acts out his feelings. He has an underlying personality disorder and is heterosexual.

It is recommended that he return to full-time ministry while continuing in therapy.

He has found it difficult to be engaged in counseling. He admits his angry feelings and aggression, but is not exploring them in therapy. He seems to accept them as a problem to be lived with.

Is he able to do some weekend ministry in the Military during the summer so that he might keep his military standing?

He would like to return to full-time military duty. Is he able to?

5. Delegate Recommendation: - 6/21/93

1. He be allowed to do weekend ministry in the Military and return to Our Lady's Hall and continue in a therapeutic effort.

( 2. Once he sees his management of his feelings as being problematic and one which he is desirous of addressing, and his therapist feels he is able and responsible to manage these, he should be returned to full-time ministry. )

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