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Date: June 23, 2005 Commemorating day of Martyrs Agrippina and Aristokleos

To: The Most Blessed His Beatitude HERMAN
6850 N. Hempstead Turnpike
Syosset, NY 11791
the OCA Holy Synod of Bishops,
the OCA Office for Review of Sexual Misconduct Allegations

RE: Complaint / Report on Sexual Misconduct (homosexuality/ sodomy)

COMPLAINANT's STATEMENT:

I, Rev Fr Vasile Susan, resident at the address listed above, "have read this complaint, understand its contents, and swear that the statements made and allegations contained herein are true to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief." 8.05 (c) Written report

The complaint is reported as per Policies, Standards, and Procedures of the OCA on Sexual Misconduct provisions:

8. Reports and Complaints of Sexual Misconduct

8.01. (a) Any person may report allegations of sexual misconduct orally or in writing. Laypersons shall report possible sexual misconduct in a parish to the Rector if the Rector is not alleged to have committed the acts. If a report cannot be made to the Rector it shall be made to another member of the clergy serving in the parish in the order of precedence. If there are no other clergy the report shall be made to the senior elected layperson of the parish council.

This complaint is filed as per the instructions of V Rev Fr Alexey Karlgut from the Office of the Review of Sexual Misconduct Allegations, dated as of June 21, 2005.

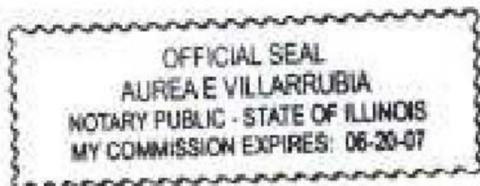
Notary Public

Complainant

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 23rd day of June 2005
at Chicago, County of Cook, State of Illinois.

Notary Public Aurea E Villarrubia

Rev Fr Vasile Susan
Rev Fr Vasile Susan



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June 26, 2000

Rev. Fr. Dr. Catalin Mitescu
President, ROEA Spiritual Consistory

Dear Fr. Mitescu,

The following will serve as evidence of the charges that I have filed against the priest in your Episcopate, B . I have prepared this report to serve as a short summary of events that took place over the last five or six years of my marriage to B . I can and will gladly answer any questions about these particular situations that you have at any time. Everything here is true, unfortunately. I ask only that truth and justice be served through the Spiritual Consistory and that the teachings of the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be manifest in all your deliberations.

I have tried to maintain a chronological order for this information, but found it impossible to be purely chronological. In some instances I will date the information to a general time period .

HISTORY

1990 In the fall of this year I became aware of B's homosexual activities after coming home from a family vacation in . During our stay in , B would go off on his own quite a lot. In fact, each morning, he would leave at 7:00 A.M. and say that he was going to the beach. That was too early for the children and me so we just slept in. In the evenings he would say that he was going to , an outdoor mall, just to look around. I didn't think anything of it because he had a habit of going off by himself wherever we went and I always thought it was just to get away from the noise and the activity of the children. He was an only child and was not used to the commotion of children.

On the last night he was to come home at about 7:00 P.M. so we could take a last walk on the beach at night. He arrive home at 12:30 A.M. and was drunk and started to swear at me and call me "Mother Fucker" and "Bitch" etc. I had no idea what was happening and this was devastating to me. When I asked where he was he said that it was none of my business. The next morning we left for home at 6:00 A.M. As we drove out of , he started crying uncontrollably saying over and over again "I can't go back" and

"I don't want to go back." He crunched himself up on the car seat and was beside himself for the next few hours of our trip. I had to drive the entire way home.

I knew that something major was wrong and when I got home and started looking through B's drawers, closet, papers and computer files I found evidence that told me that B had been having homosexual affairs in _____ and also in the _____ area and else where.

FINDING EVIDENCE

In his desk drawer, buried the other papers, was a brown bag with two greeting cards addressed to a _____ O _____ in _____. These cards said, "I miss hanging with you." and "Wish we could still be together." This was his lover during our stay in _____.

I took the two greeting cards to the local OCA priest, Fr. _____ P _____ and asked him for help. I was unsure of what to do. After speaking to Fr. P _____ after a few times I decided to confront B with my knowledge of his homosexual affairs. Fr. P _____ arranged for a retired friend of his to be present at _____ Church when I met with B. The meeting took place in the early fall and B admitted to everything --his homosexual affairs at _____ and elsewhere. He cried and I felt sorry for him --a very naive stance on my part.

I found two newspapers from the _____ Resort Area, hidden in B's closet, the " _____ Newspaper" dated 1987 and the " _____ Newspaper" dated 1989. We had never visited the _____ as a family nor did I ever hear him speak of going there for any reason. What I do know is that from 1987 to 1989, that time period, B would pack his beach stuff up and say that he was going to a local lake just to lay around in the sun. He said that he needed to rest and relax by himself. Again I was very naive and I said to myself that this was a good thing that he's taking care of himself by removing himself from the stressful job just for a few hours at least.

COUNSELING

B had been going to counseling in _____ for about a year and a half prior to when I found out about the homosexual behaviors. I did not know that he was going to counseling but he told me it was because he was always so stressed out and he needed to find ways not to be so upset and nervous about being a parish priest. At that time I said "Good, because it might help you!" Now I found out that that wasn't the real reason he was going to counseling, but the real reason was his homosexual activities. The counseling was a Roman Catholic retreat _____ called _____. B was undergoing psychotherapy there. As things progressed I went occasionally with him to his therapist. As time went on it became evident to me that the main thrust of the sessions was to acknowledge his homosexuality, go with the flow and "*ain't self discovery wonderful.*" At

no time when I was present was there any discussion concerning the effects on me or the children. Everything centered on B and his being.

About mid-way into the five years that I stayed with him, he moved his therapy into the area with retired Episcopalian priest-counselor named W. Of course, these sessions just continued in the direction that was established in . I was also included in some of these sessions.

STAYING AND LEAVING

The question may be asked why did I stay with him that long. I will answer this. First there was shock, then there was a feeling of pity and sorrow for him then there was a feeling that we could conquer this and the marriage would be saved. But as the years went by, I saw no attempt to turn from his homosexuality at any time on his part. In fact he continued to be secretive and continued to pursue homosexual activities. He actually dug himself deeper and deeper into the homosexual sub-culture over those five years. That is who "his people" are now.

Other family concerns stopped me from leaving earlier. My children were 5, 11 and 12 years old at the time. I had just gotten a full time teaching job the year and was not yet established enough to be the "breadwinner" for a family of four. I was thankful at least then that I did have insurance for myself and the children, but as low person on seniority, I would be the first to be let go if there were a cut back. How could I leave at this point? I had NO PLACE TO LIVE, NO FURNITURE AND NO SOCIAL SUPPORT SYSTEM OUTSIDE OF THE CHURCH. If the marriage was to end, I would to at least spare my three children the lot in life of also being homeless, out on the street, and without friends. Of course we had no family nearby because I went where he was assigned.

Very soon after finding out I sought help from clergy in the Episcopate and in the area. I arranged a meeting with Fr. L. and Fr. M. After I met with them they said that they needed to notify the bishop. Bishop Nathaniel has known about these circumstances for nine years now. Fr. P. and the other priest in also knew very early. I sought some kind of direction from them. It was a difficult situation because I truly did not want to be divorced and I did want to help B out of homosexuality into a healthy sexuality. It didn't work. It became evident that B was not working toward this.

Five years after finding out, I moved my children into a house I purchased in the community. I would have liked to have moved out of town, but to require my children to change schools and friends at this devastating time would have destroyed more of who we were than was already being destroyed. It would have been much too cruel for them.

EVIDENCE

That is the early history. Now I will provide information that substantiates B's homosexual activities in the past and in the present.

1. In B's own handwriting you will find attached a copy here he wrote the names, addresses and phone numbers of gay bars in . I found this paper among the receipts of the 1989 trip to B made there with the two older children. They were 10 and 11 years old at the time. I couldn't go because I had just started my teaching job and had to go to work in August. The P listed next to "

" is, I believe, the same P that I found on-line, a Roman Catholic priest from , and the same P that B was going to see when he was planning a rendezvous in with the flight schedule that will noted later.

2. Also attached is a copy of a coin that I found in his car. This is a coin from an Adult Bookstore, i.e. a Porn Shop. I do believe that it's used for the "peep booths." I asked B about it and he said that he didn't know how it got in his car and that it wasn't his.

3. Attached is a travel estimate for a rendezvous with his lover from , O . I found this on 11/12/91 in B's letter file. From where it was found it would have been written in the fall. I had no knowledge of these plans. note the phone bill from our condo in . It has a certain number dialed over and over again. This is the condo where O was staying with other homosexuals that B did his thing with while we were on vacation.

4. B admitted to being picked up in an adult bookstore in . He told me that he was approached by a man and propositioned. B admitted to going home with him and engaging in sex.

I do not know if this is the same man that B admitted to carrying on a long term affair with the name of M in . I found a picture of M in B's desk drawer. Sometime during this affair M rejected B and B was devastated. B ended up in at the rectory of a Roman Catholic priest friend of his and called me to say that he had just stopped in to see Fr. M and that he was going to stay overnight. Of course, the real reasons for his visit there I learned at a later time from B himself.

5. B often visited K in Cleveland. K is a kind of self-proclaimed bishop in . K used to be an OCA priest in . While he was there He used to take the youth group camping and bring his male friends along. They used to show the kids how to snap bull-whips, an S&M accessory. K is an homosexual. B also visited homosexuals in . I will not mention the name of one of them, but he grew up in in the Romanian church.

6. When B came back from a trip to , he had a map of the gay places folded up in his wallet. When I asked him about it, he said, "So?"

7. B used to do most of his contacts and planning on the internet. He also kept folders of his homosexual correspondences. Whenever I would walk into his office when he was using the computer, he would clear the screen. All I would ever see was a blank screen. This was interesting, because just before I would walk in he would be typing away. B also realized that I was accessing his files and went out and bought a program called "Folder Bolt" and installed it. It had password access only so B began to put all his secret files there.

8. B maintained two profiles on-line. One was "G" and the personal information was accurate.

It listed married, clergy, with interests as travel, humanities, religion and family. The other was "Z" and the personal information was that he was not married, did not list an occupation and listed his interests as health and fitness. Secrecy was very important to him. See the attachments for one of the letters that I found and copied from the secret files before he put on FolderBolt.

9. When we were together, B had had two AIDS tests. He had had two affairs that I had found out about and he went to a confidential testing place in . People are not identified and no official papers are given to the testee. But I do know that B did at least go at least once because he described how horrible he felt to be sitting in the waiting room with drug dealers and street people.

10. Twice I found in B's coat pocket business cards with the following on them:

GLBU.

This is, of course, the outreach card for the Gay Lesbian Bi-sexual Union.

11. One day B came home and rushed directly into his office and I heard the closet door open and close quickly. I knew that something was going on. When he left later I found a CD in his closet with homosexuals engaged in sex on the cover. I asked him about it and he told me to stay out of his stuff.

12. I kept morning and end of night mileage on his car. Many days when I was at work he said that he went nowhere out of town but there would be over 200 additional miles on his car. I do believe that these were day trips to and , where he had "his people."

13. My two older children know about the homosexual activities. They have chosen to have no relations with him because of what he has done to our family. My youngest daughter still does not know so she has chosen to visit him. B has taken her around a person in named W a number of times. She would come home and talk about being around W. I asked Fr. P to speak with B about not taking my daughter around homosexuals. B said that it wasn't any of his business where he takes her.

14. My youngest daughter came home from a visit around Christmas time this year and said that she went to a bookstore near _____ with her father and they met another priest there. She said that it wasn't anyone she knew from before. I asked which church he came from and she said that she thought he said " _____ " or something like that.

_____ Church is a group established by a homosexual ex-Roman Catholic choir director. I do not know if this is the same group, but it may very well be given the circumstances.

15. B maintained a Post Office Box under his name. He said that it was for his Computer Club, but I do know that he received personal mail there also.

16. One of B's best friends before marriage was a homosexual who died from AIDS in _____. Even during marriage, B used to talk with him often and visit him when he went to _____. I did not know he was homosexual or had AIDS until after he died.

17. B never allowed us to go with him when he went to his computer conferences in _____ and _____ each year. We wanted to go. I truly believe that during these times he lived the gay life totally. Via the Internet he is hooked up to the homosexual scene world-wide and via the Internet homosexuals advertise their own meeting places and programs and activities at these conferences. Just log on at any homosexual site or the MacWorld site and this information can be easily found.

18. This past spring 2000 B was gone for a week. The next time my youngest daughter went to visit she came home with a T-shirt from _____, _____. A couple of week later, she came home with matches from _____. From an establishment called " _____ Bar." Check out the copy of the match cover that I have attached here. The title and the picture _____ Point toward it being a gay bar to me. B continues to rendezvous with his people on a frequent basis. _____ is a well-known point of meeting for homosexual in the spring.

CONCLUSION

I have given you numerous examples of B's past and present homosexual activities. He was adulterous during his marriage, he continues to be be homosexually active more so even now than he was five years ago, and he believes that there is nothing wrong with it and that we should all just realize that and go on like nothing is wrong. Please refer to a copy of a letter he sent my older daughter on Christmas. He is trying to convince her that what he does is just another wonderful variety in great and wonderful world.

Please let me know if you require more information.

Please correspond with me soon so that I know what steps I need to take next. I hope that this investigation will lead to closure as soon as possible. My children and I wish to

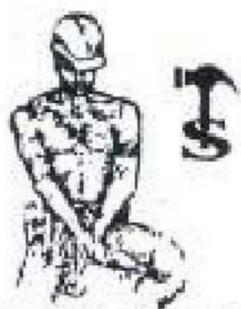
see truth prevail in the Romanian Orthodox Episcopate in America and the Spiritual Consistory.

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to be the letter 'L'.

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BE SAFE • KEEP COVER CLOSED



SPRING 2000

[Redacted]

(B)

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

11:30 show

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Benson King

Tim Ault

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

B'S
HANDWRITING

B

[Redacted]

BD May 25 1954

B's
HANDWRITING

H

[Redacted]

5/25/54

B's
ADDRESS FILE

[Redacted]

THESE ARE TWO OF HIS "CONTACTS"
FROM THE [Redacted] ([Redacted] AREA)

DATE: 03.06.15 20:45. EDT
FROM: THE PANDA
SUBJ: WHAT'S GOING ON?
TO: ?

#22
7-1-13
I HAND COPIED THIS FROM B'S FILES BECAUSE AT THAT TIME I WAS UNSURE OF HOW TO PRINT -

WHAT'S HAPPENING? YOU'VE GOT ME WORRIED SICK.
AND YOU KNOW I USUALLY DON'T DO THAT! WHICH I APPRECIATE YOUR DEEP TO LET ME KNOW YOU'RE OK, YOU'VE DEFINITELY GOT MY CURIOSITY AROUSED! I WAS DOWN AT B AND TODAY, AND TOLD THEM I HADN'T HEARD FROM YOU ALL DAY, AND THE LAST MESSAGE I GOT WAS THAT I WANTED TO "TALK" WHICH USUALLY MEANS TROUBLE. WAS WORRIED SICK TOO (NOTHING EVER WORRIES B!) IN FACT MADE ME PROMISE TO CONTACT HIM AS SOON AS I HEARD FROM YOU! SEE... YOU HAVEN'T EVEN MET WITH THEM AND THEY LOVE YOU ALREADY! ANYWAY, I TRUST YOU'LL GET IN TOUCH WITH ME AS SOON AS YOU ARE ABLE. I WILL HAVE A FUNERAL TOMORROW MORNING AFTER BIBLE CLASS AND, AND THEN WILL BE GOING TO THE FUNERAL HOME... SO IT WILL PROBABLY BE AN ALL DAY AFFAIR. I'LL CHECK FOR ~~YOU~~ IN THE LATE AFTERNOON THOUGH. ON THUR + FRI I'LL BE AT B+W'S, BUT I'LL CHECK FOR MESSAGES AND OF COURSE YOU CAN KEEP ME. KEEP IN TOUCH... I HOPE AND PRAY ALL IS WELL.

Big Hug

MEMBER PROFILE
THE PANDA
NEAR

THIS IS THE PROFILE OF THE SENDER

THE C



February 9, 1990

Rev. B

Dear Fr. B :

Our records show that, during 1989, you paid us \$845.26 for outpatient psychotherapy services provided by S, Ph.D.

Sincerely,

M

M
Director

M /cy

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TOKEN FOUND
IN B'S CAR

Christmas Eve 1998

Dear A

I hope that you and the family have a very good Christmas celebration this year!

Oftentimes, I think about all of the wonderful places we went and the great times we had together. Those moments are now very precious to me. It seems that that's all that I have now-- memories.

I was very hurt that you turned away from me when I went looking for you after your commencement service. I know that you're angry---but believe me honey, you don't know the whole story.

If you haven't already learned, the world is full of a great variety of people. Each one is unique and bears the image of God in a particular way. We need to accept people for who they are, not for who we want them to be. *

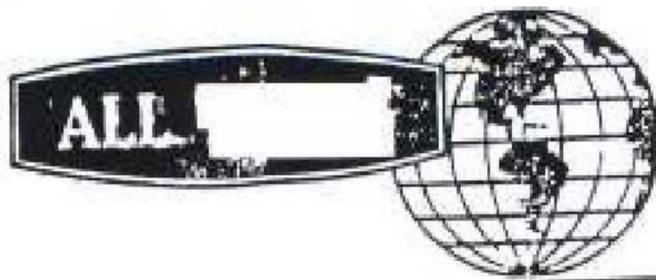
Each day I think of you and J and M and your mother and wonder how you are doing. I would be so happy if you would talk with me and let me into your life. Maybe, on this Christmas you'll change your mind. I'm always waiting and always hoping.

Whether you want me or not, I'll always be a part of your life simply because I am your father and there's no way that you or anybody else can change that. I will always love you and think about you. I hope that someday, you will be able to open your heart and invite me to come in.

I know you can use the bath accessories and the enclosed check.

May God bless you.

With all my love, always and forever--



AND TRAVEL SERVICE

Phone- [redacted]

FATHER B

HERE ARE SEVERAL PRICES FOR TRAVEL DURING THE WEEK WITHOUT A SAT. NIGHT STAY.

[redacted] \$160
[redacted] \$490 I CAN WORK TWO RT FARES FOR A PRICE OF \$316

[redacted] \$171
[redacted] \$474- TWO RT FARES \$316 WITH DISCOUNT CPNS \$278

[redacted] \$256
[redacted] \$276

[redacted] \$214-AMERICAN AIRLINES
[redacted] \$118

[redacted] \$188
[redacted] \$369

[redacted] \$378
[redacted] \$378

[redacted] \$160
[redacted] \$394

[redacted] \$320
[redacted] \$124

[redacted] \$336

[redacted] \$324
[redacted] \$118

[redacted] \$184
[redacted] \$195

PLANNED RENDEZ VOUS

IF YOU NEED ANY MORE PRICES---PLEASE LET ME KNOW.

9/21/11

Room Checkout
Club, Telephone Charges For Extension 119

Date	Time	Type Of Call	State	Called	Length	Charges
7/23	3:12PM	local call			3	0.25
7/23	6:40PM	long distance			2	2.22
7/23	8:46PM	long distance			36	12.64
7/24	11:14AM	local call			2	0.25
7/24	7:19PM	local call		47	4	0.25
7/24	7:46PM	local call		47	3	0.25
7/25	8:10AM	local call		47	2	0.25
7/25	1:48PM	local call		47	4	0.25
7/25	2:54PM	local call		47	3	0.25
7/25	4:52PM	local call		47	2	0.25
7/25	5:33PM	local call		47	2	0.25
7/25	6:27PM	local call		47	2	0.25
7/25	7:02PM	local call		47	4	0.25
7/26	10:18AM	oper. assisted			0	0.00
7/26	4:00PM	local call		47	2	0.25
7/26	4:27PM	local call		47	2	0.25
7/26	7:30PM	long distance			15	6.21

B CALLING
PLACE OF
HIS "FRIENDS"

7/27 at 5:22AM Sat Total Calls: 17, Total Charges \$ 24.32

Auditor was making rounds
Did not check out thru office - dropped
off keys at door.

NAME		NO.	12178
STREET		ROOM	0019
CITY	ST	ARRIVE	07/20/91
ZIP		DEPART	07/27/01
GROUP		RATE	
X 19/29		NO. OF PERSONS	4
B		RESERVATION TYPE	transient
MAKE OF CAR	LICENSE NO.	STATE	CLERK

I WILL PAY BY: CASH CREDIT CARD
The guest is not responsible for loss of money, jewelry or other valuables. I understand that I am responsible
for the length of reserved stay.
33
check out 7-27