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Reply To:
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David Roth, Esq.
515 N. Flagler Drive, Suite 325
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Re: Our Client No.: 1-731
Mark Foley Matter (ADM & DPB)

Dear Mr. Roth:

This firm is General Counsel to the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Miami and the Roman Catholic Diocese of Palm Beach. In that capacity, I am writing to you in response to the media statements that you recently made on behalf of your client, Mark Foley. Specifically, I am addressing your statements that your client was abused in Palm Beach County by a clergyman approximately 40 years ago.

In accordance with the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People ("Charter"), which was adopted by the United States Roman Catholic Dioceses in 2002, all Catholic Bishops have encouraged victims of child abuse to come forward, identify the alleged perpetrator and report the abuse to the proper criminal authority. Even though you have not identified the denomination of the alleged perpetrator, my clients are requesting that you identify the alleged perpetrator and report this to the Palm Beach County State Attorney, Barry Krischer. Until such time as you identify the alleged perpetrator, all clergy that served in Palm Beach County have been needlessly placed under suspicion.

If the alleged perpetrator was related to either of my clients, kindly advise me in that regard so that we may follow the appropriate procedures to protect children in accordance with the Charter, and extend an offer of professional counseling to your client.

Please let me know if I can be of any assistance to you in facilitating your client's healing process.

Very truly yours,


J. Patrick Fitzgerald

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cc: Barry E. Krischer, Esq. ✓