

Statement of Complaint

I ACP Date of birth: **REDACTED**
 (Please print full name)

OF **REDACTED**

(Please give sufficient details of how you can be contacted, including and special arrangements for safeguarding your privacy)

WISH TO MAKE A COMPLAINT TO THE APPROPRIATE CHURCH AUTHORITY AGAINST:

BROTHER KOSKA (Class photograph available)
 (Name of person)

WHO AT THE TIME IN QUESTION WAS WORKING IN AN OFFICIAL CAPACITY FOR THE CHURCH AS:

A MARIST BROTHER teaching at St Anne's School
 on 1965-2 at Bondi Beach NSW
 (Years or precise dates if known) (City, town or suburb, or name of parish, school or church agency)

Nature of Complaint:

(Please give details of the behaviour that is the subject of this complaint)

ACP was the smallest boy in Br Koska's class. All the boys were afraid they would be kept back in the grade if they did not behave - apparently one boy repeated the grade three times.

Br Koska - in class - would sit beside ACP, undo his fly and fondle him. Br Koska ruled by fear, by belting and by keeping ACP back after school when he made him take off his pants, lie over a bench and raped him. ACP revealed this to a priest in confession and was subsequently beaten by Br Koska for telling lies.

Sports equipment was stored at the **REDACTED** home and after sports practice ACP was abused in the house.

Br Koska visited the home and took ACP for walks in the park where further abuse occurred.

The cane was regularly used on all the boys in the class.

During that year ACP ran away from home but was brought back and 'belted' by Br Koska and by his parents. He was afraid to reveal the abuse to his parents.

In 1963 the Christian Brothers took over the school and Br Koska went Wodlongong. When this happened ACP was happy - he knew that he would ^{no come from Wodlongong SA} At a school gathering years later other boys revealed abuse there. Worst days were when someone was sick and there was no one sitting next to you.

Later ACP younger brother revealed that he had also been abused at school by another teacher and blamed ACP for not protecting him. Even now they do not have a good relationship.

ACP is able to name other boys in the class who were abused. Dr Koska had easy access to the house and abused ACP there in his parents absence so that he was always scared, and mistrustful of anyone older, bigger or stranger than him.

Later in life ACP tried to do what Jesus did - fast for 40 days to cleanse himself. He was found unconscious after 27 days and this precipitated ongoing health problems. He feels that if he had completed the 40 days he would have been safe.

Currently ACP is assisted by a carer.

ACP's marriage broke up and he does not have a good relationship with his 14 year old daughter.

ACP has worked in a bank, with computers in government agencies, but is constantly on the move - running away - and finds some peace living in the bush because 'no-one can get him there'.

The bear remains and is tangible. He had played and liked playing bowls and was good at it. The coach gave him a congratulatory pat, he froze and gave up bowls.

I wish to include the following additional comments in my statement of complaint:

REDACTED is ACP friend and carer. REDACTED

accompanied ACP

REDACTED explained that even now ACP is uneasy around adult men and will go to his room if visitors come to the house.

ACP had cancer in his early 20's and a heart attack in his 30's. He is on medication for very high blood pressure.

Neuro-psych tests have been done and he is diagnosed as depressive. There is some scarring in the brain as a result of the fasting which was ongoing.

REDACTED explained that ACP has travelled extensively - 'always searching but never finding' peace.

Having made this complaint I hope that I need:

ACP [redacted] wants to face Br Koska, or if he is dead, find out where he is buried.

I have been advised that if my complaint involves criminal behaviour I retain the right to make my complaint to the police at any time.

Q. Have you notified the police? NO.

Q. Do you intend to notify the police? Yes if he is still alive

Last year ACP [redacted] approached the firm of Staters and Gordon in response to a newspaper advertisement (Bell's open letter) and was told that they did not deal with individual cases.

Signed: ACP [redacted] Date 4-8-1988 2002

Contact person REDACTED

Signed: [redacted] Date 8.8.2002

If you were not the actual victim of the matter above please give the name and address of the victim:

Name _____

Address _____

Is he or she aware that you are making the complaint?	Yes	No
Does he or she agree with you making this complaint?	Yes	No
Is he/she prepared to talk to someone about this complaint?	Yes	No

The Contact Person is charged with delivering this Statement of Complaint to the professional Standards Resource Group, PO Box 102 North Hobart, Tasmania 7002 and the Director will, in turn, ensure that it is brought promptly to the attention of the appropriate Church Authority

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