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Fr Peter Comensoli
Diocesan Chancellor
Chancery Office
Diocese of Wollongong
PO Box 1239
WOLLONGONG SCMC NSW 2521

Our reference: CP-01-08-NIJ-134.01

Dear Fr Comensoli,

Re: Fr John Nestor

I refer to previous discussions in this matter.

In particular, we refer to an allegation made against Fr Nestor which was made on 16 February 2004 to CCER. At the time that the allegation arose in February 2004, Fr John Nestor was in America and no longer an 'employee' pursuant to the *Ombudsman Act 1974*. Therefore that allegation is not reportable to the NSW Ombudsman.

If you are aware of any further allegations in relation to Fr Nestor, please provide full details of the allegation(s), including dates the allegation(s) arose, the alleged conduct, the details of the alleged victim(s) and the work in which Fr Nestor was engaged in when the allegations arose.

Please advise whether Fr Nestor has been involved with any work or ministry with schools, hospitals, child care facilities or substitute residential care facilities since 1999 in New South Wales.

Please direct your response to Mr Michael McDonald as he will be looking after clergy matters after I commence maternity leave.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Yours faithfully

For Anne Walker-Rolls
Senior Employment Relations Adviser
Child Protection