

THIS HAD THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
 IS THE ANNEXURE MARKED 'A' REFERRED TO
 IN THE AFFIDAVIT OF NICOLA MARY 20.7.04
 ELLS SWORN THE 6th DAY OF SEPTEMBER
 1997. Rayner V6 BEFORE ME:

Raymond Bredal
 J. N.

Anna E. Lye

3:00 pm

- 3: Today long time to getting to today.
- 5: long time - response by Archdiocese
~~prayer~~ → justice, compassion, humility.
- Case BR also introduced several
 support / arms length: other
 "listening ear" (raised by J. today)
 MS not here: protocol prohibition
 - had wanted to see things
 through.
- BR: (been in meetings so sleepy...)
- RB: informal - recording can be
 of value but people can talk
 more freely if not recorded.
- J: request: transparency &
 emotional impact / not 'less'.
- RB: outline 'agenda'.
- J: "story". Abuse occurred over
 time & space / locations. Substantial
 making connection bet. conduct
 & impacts → necessary order.
Loss. Meteor storm.
 → innocence; sense of self; ~~relationships~~
 relationships;
 Since disclosure - impact on health
 career, friends, marriage. ~~Source~~

Initial diagnosis 'bad' but at least still had kids, job, marriage - grateful / blessed.

"Came up for air". Impacts can be much deeper than ^{the} awareness of inevitability. Inevitability of impact: retained faith; courage; tenacity; powerful intellect - compensator
 → enabled to function astonishingly well... Know how to "keep going"
 Lost anger, ^{shame} inability to speak (positives / benefits of therapeutic work)
 Response & healing needs to be substantial - occurring over time & space to address all impacts.

(10. being to severity of impact)

SR: not condone / ^{to not be able to accept} "can't apologise for F.D."
 Regret that with intention
 → fear, guilt, loss of innocence
 "unfair". Can't be reconciled
 Cannot tolerate the abuse at all
 Everyone's loss / is injured
 F.D. has let us all down.
 No doubt abuse has had affected life; 'shame' / conquer / advance beyond this
 Not occupy too much of time once I decide to let it
 move away."

Initial disclosure takes out
 → step towards conquering it

Good move to do sth about it.
Not let it "sweep away".

Will indeed be shame... over years
Then, shame / Fr. walks on water
Victims can't compare.

No one should have freedom of
mind or spirit taken away. ^{It}
Inexcusable what Fr. D. did -
is a disgrace. Hope has been
devoted to God if not to J.

Never had any reason to
doubt what he said.

Church should be about
building people up - Fr. D. ^{did}
"Better known in sea than
show scandal to a child" - Jc.

I regret; Cardinal is adored
by those abuses; note that
claims by victims are false.
Some people acquire a lot of
victims.

What J. talking about is v.
serious - offensive to Church
& society. Brown, courageous.
Admiration. diff. of view to Fr. D.
Cent. sorry it occurred -
corporate sorrow different
from sorrow of perpetrator
- & can't have that.

Fr. D. has let you down & what
he did was inexcusable.
Bank metaphor - "toller born of
As advanced in my ^{own} ^{Sinner}
not able to get out of dilemma.

3,000 priests - 300 poss. ^{appears}
 good priests / boundaries to chh.
 Review responses → to find
 / not set up prison of all this.

J: Fr D was person treated,
 cared for; source of liturgy
 fostered by AD.

Impact re. loss of member of guide
 Acknowledged, lengthy & substantial
 response.

Wanted acknowledgment that
 healing will take time/
 substantialness of it... Have
 prev. underestimated.

RB: How Fr. D came to Sydney.

BR: Chronology not v. clear.
 Order folded: lack no.s.

No checks except "reference"
 from Superior: "of good repute"
 Presume he was a monk
 who prayed all day - wouldn't
 have been like a normal
 PP - "stuck in a monastery".

"Haven't seen those questions"
 - otherwise would have
 prepared differently.

J: what enquiries made to Mar
 + response? BR → copy.

BR: told the place has closed.
 J: school closed in 1995.
 Understand AD came in
 1975 - & Bass Hill was first
 parish when returned.

N: have asked what questions
 asked since Jo complaints.

RB: apologise that not put to
 BR.

BR: defensive re. detailed
 info. not asked...
 "Probably say no records".

N: has there been an actual
 check of records?

BR: No. Can do now...
 (if so easy ^{why} not done before)
Level of compliance

Break - public record that was
 information / PP / teachers.

BR: tracking down the file to
 1975. (Produced in 5 mins.)
 (last 10 yrs.)

Other file - cont. by Card. Gilroy
 New Orleans - 1980.

Att. Sept. 1974 in Sydney.
 - wrote to Cardinal Freeman

re. returning after 20 yrs.
 Abbott tried to discuss him
 language to share priority /

Accepted for one year - dep.
 on consultant bet. Cardinal &
 Abbott. Card. req. letter from
 Abbott. One way ticket to Aust.
 Letter fr. Scotland etc.
 Nov '75 asking for holidays.

3 Aust. priests bringing back
 Benedictine trad. to Sydney.
 Letter fr. Fabian saying he'd
 letter fr. Card. Finnan -
 year is up - shortage of priests
 - upheaval of situation @
 this time. Both willing to
 cont. in pastoral duties in dioc.

Late '75 - letter re. establ.
 Benedictine / monastic vocation

Abbott - can't extend year -
 inordinate. Priests to decide.

Holidays again. (date?) & again!

Abbott - "stay in Aust." under
 a Bishop.

1981 - permission to move to
 Diocese from Order. No "refuge"
 "we didn't take resp. until '81"
 BR - haven't been through
 this file before...
 1979 went to another parish -
 letter of appt. by Cardinal.

... my acc. is constant provided

1981 - seeking extension until
 1983 of permission of Abbott.
 1983 - asking they be freed
 of assoc. & order to come
 & work for Diocese.

1.3.86 - Abbott reads another
 letter of Cardinal wants
 further extension. Abbott
 Abbott. Card. → AD "awful doc."

1989 - Abbott → Card. saying
 Don't

1989 - Cardinal writes that
 AD & FD described not going
 back to Abbey. "Religion to
 have whole thing settled".

1990 - Abbott glad to "regularise
 position".

1990 - Card. willing to accept
 them as Sydney as long as
 all nec. canonical docs met.

Abbott → AD - acknowl. doc → SF

Sept '90 - accepted into Archdioc
 Nov. '90 - told again will be accept
 27 Dec. '90 - formally incorporated
 as priest in diocese.
 1995 - Little St. John's chaplain

How arrived?
 Is a gesture. Arrived
 \$50,000 - to a person who
 is a passive type of victim.
 Some victims don't seek
 any monetary compens.
 (will not compensate) fr. Church
 Response to assist more forward
 - doesn't preclude Police
 action but has to free up
 one making gesture from
 any legal action by us.
 Presume Board of Release is
 the norm. Coaches - can't
 cover everything person feels
 they have lost. So obvi.
 not compensation. Not into
 compensating for financial loss
 etc.

(esp. Victim Comp.)

BR: "how come up to me
 of abuse". The terrible degree
 of abuse. Terrible physical
 violence too. Hospital
 gesture for max. for that
 sort of person. 3-4 yrs
 more... Personal decision that
 I make. I can't. to an eye
 when decisions could have
 been made! Arbitrary -
 trying to act in good faith.
 culpability of Bishop who knew
 mistakes to diff. from that of Bishops
 who don't know is a problem.

Don't consult to other agencies -
not informed by expertise
re. nature / sequelae of
sexual abuse.

Have Prof. St. Resource Group
- discuss responses - not getting
- a action eg. postic. priest

Response to "non-financial"

BR: If person accepts the
posture, Card. would
personally meet & express
regrets. One matter is settled
- significant Church person
can apologise - purpose is
healing.

We won't be going down
that line if person decides
to go down a legal path.
Conditional upon signing
a Deed of Release. ^{binding} ^{irrevocable}

Whole parameter of TH is
that we don't receive
legal action against us.
No restriction re. talking
about process that brought
about reconciliation.

I realise you have trouble
seeing Fr. D. / not capable of
change.

No: "not helpful to say
"no-one else had a problem"
∴ not true re. TH... (defensive)

J: understood fin. gesture conditional - as of 10 days ago...

Did not know appt. was conditional on signing of deed of Release.

BR: forget personally, on behalf of Church.

Saying "not in spirit was what we're discussing"

Trying to be v. sincere. I can be hurt too...

Following out practice.

We might view things differently. To legal

background & involvement of Church.

Handwritten notes in a box: "I don't know if that's right or not"

If involved "delighted"

If not respect your role as "line of journey"

How to explain system as I understand it...

Do what comfortable with... if uneasy, a current practice of TH, address as

see fit.

haven't expressed myself well that's it. I'm dumb

not a lawyer"

J: is assisting a appt - of Spiritual Dir. also conditional

BR: Prob. not. ...

Your right to pursue... via
for you have a Sp. Dir.
unrelated to us. Private
matter for you. Unrelated to the
Happy to have input.

BR: J. reply?
Ensure process de-personalized
Appreciation of BR personally
Appreciation of spokesperson of Church Dept.
- timeliness & sympathetic response
Positive impact. Also today's work

Surprised & disappointed @ way
some things expressed in last
part of meeting.

BR: will talk to Cardinal & ask
^{expression of error}
to ~~apologize~~, but not usual
practice. Call for Michael Salmon

J: process of healing relationships
top. from ~~prosecution~~ legal
R: who is an ex-graduate
payment charge related...
Some people don't ask for
any money.
(Values R. ~~think~~ of \$8.7.)

R: problem is apology is
could just Cardinal in box
& apology & advertisement
Not sure what exposing director to

BR: talking to try & bring
healing i.e. conclusion.

RB: Let's look @ some conclusions.

J: Apology / Cardinal } -possib. / legal
Spiritual Dir. } agreed. / advice

BR: "not appropriate to give
\$ one dough up front
to one us"

Appropriate J is honest... (??)

J: Understand / hear but have
difficulty understanding
"not compensation" = Dead.
"ex gratia" - expect acknowl.
of gesture rather than
legal release.

J: advice that should not
sign Dead. ^{auditing doc.} ^{what to do} ^{down} ^{left}
Subst. clarif. ^{to go}

BR: against whom? (J not answer)

J: length of TH process may
impact on "live with" period...

RB: who at?

BR: "have had advice about
the case of do go forward.
Not going to influence you...
who 1st / 2nd p. / day etc.
If goes legal, will cost \$ one
3 some dough. Hasn't been
a payment....."

BR: open posture @ this stage -
has specific kinematics.
S: approximated.

