

This is Exhibit "AA" to the Statement of
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JK Isaacs

Phone call to Bishop John Gerry regarding non- payment of counselling fees and rejection of compensation.

Bishop John Gerry returned my call on 06/06/2000

Transcript of conversation :-

Joan: I called regarding the non-payment of counselling costs

Bishop John: There is a letter and payment for counselling in the mail. Is the counselling addressing the problem?

J: Counselling can address some issues but the total process of "healing" is severely impeded by the Church's reluctance to see this to its conclusion. Part of the problem lies with my feelings of abandonment by the Catholic Church. Until the compensation issue is finalised my healing cannot be fully realised.

B: I have no control over it because it is a legal matter.

J: Legal people take their direction from a source – a source which I believe has to be you or someone in authority in the church like you!

B:- But I have no assets and I am not at liberty to use the assets of the archdiocese.

J: Why then have other cases settled successfully and I am being singled out like this? I believe that the Church (YOU!) have made every effort to impede the successful completion of this issue and I also believe that every effort is being made to thwart my progress in this matter (i.e. the church's legal team do not give information that is requested of them, they ignore time limits, they ignore requests)

B:- No its not that. The reason we couldn't settle this is because the insurance people will not come into this case.

J: Surely if it is an insurance problem, YOU, I and ALL OUR LEGAL PEOPLE should be working together to see why the insurance company has taken this unjust stand.

B: Now the legal process has been initiated my hands are tied.

J:- No this is not true. The legal process was only initiated after the Church re-negged on its promise of compensation. I made a conscious decision to go through TOWARD'S HEALING because I honestly believed that the Church was ready to embrace this issue. Sadly this is not the case and only after the church took this stance was the legal process initiated.

B: I believe your legal people say you don't have a legal case anyway.

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J:- I have been told that is not the case. "Statute of Limitations" exists on sexual assault compensation but I believe we may have a legal case under "Breach of Trust."

B:- I don't understand these legal issues....

J:- I am not interested in bankrupting the church. I am interested in a just settlement that reflects the impact that this has had upon my life. It is not a momentary hiccup which will pass. It has changed my life irrevocably and has nearly cost me my life. The church needs to recognise the enormity of the situation. When this has been achieved I can begin to heal properly. As a practising catholic I need to resolve this.

B:- Yes it was good to see you at Mass recently at Brackenridge. Until recently I didn't even know you existed.

J:- But I have been in TOWARDS HEALING since the beginning of 1999!

B:- no till then...

J:- why would I approach the church before then? I had been abandoned.. before. I wanted the criminal trial over before I approached the Church again as it proved to be my best chance of being heard.. Even with this behind me.. The church is not really interested.. AGAIN I have not been heard!

B:- Well I hope the next ten sessions help you. It was nice to meet you recently though briefly.

J:- Yes I believe it is important for you to meet me face to face and for you to see me as a real person.

B:- God bless you.....

End of Call