

LEGAL NOTICE

The Catholic Bishop of Spokane aka The Catholic Diocese of Spokane

YOU MAY HAVE A <u>SEXUAL ABUSE</u> CLAIM AGAINST THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SPOKANE

- If, while you were under the age of 18, you were sexually touched by, or had sexual contact with, or were sexually abused by or were subjected to sexual misconduct by, a Catholic priest, employee, volunteer, or other person working for the Diocese of Spokane or for a Catholic parish or school affiliated with the Diocese of Spokane whether or not you are aware of the injury, harm or damages sustained by you as a result of such conduct; or
- You believe the Diocese of Spokane is or may be responsible for anything that caused you injury or harm at any age; or
 - The Diocese of Spokane owes you money; or
- You assert a right to payment from the Diocese of Spokane, whether or not the amount owed is known, and whether or not your asserted right to payment is disputed, matured, secured, legal, equitable, or contingent upon the happening of some future event; or
- ◆ You assert a right to an equitable remedy (e.g., the right to require the Diocese of Spokane to either do or not do something) whether or not such right is disputed, matured, secured, legal, equitable, or contingent upon the happening of some future event, which would result in the Diocese of Spokane owing you money for its failure to do as required.

<u>DID ANY PRIEST OR ANY OTHER PERSON CONNECTED WITH THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SPOKANE, ITS PARISHES, SCHOOLS OR OTHER INSTITUTIONS:</u>

- <u>•DO ANYTHING TO YOU OR HAVE YOU DO ANYTHING SEXUAL OR INAPPROPRIATE</u>
- <u>•TOUCH YOU OR HAVE YOU TOUCH HIM OR HER OR YOURSELF</u> SEXUALLY, WHETHER CLOTHED OR UNCLOTHED
- •LOOK AT YOUR SEXUAL OR INTIMATE PARTS
- •SHOW HIS OR HER SEXUAL OR INTIMATE PARTS TO YOU

¹-Each parish or school served by the Diocese is listed on the long form Notice of Claims Bar Date. You should obtain a copy of that form for additional information.

TAKE A PHOTOGRAPH OR VIDEO OF YOU

<u>•SHOW YOU ANYTHING SEXUAL, SUCH AS PHOTOGRAPHS, MAGAZINES OR BOOKS</u>

•HAVE SEXUAL INTERCOURSE WITH YOU OR YOU WITH HIM OR HER, WHETHER ORAL, ANAL OR VAGINAL

•HAVE SEXUAL CONTACT WITH YOU OF ANY KIND WHATSOEVER

YOU MUST ACT NOW TO PRESERVE YOUR RIGHTS.

THE LAST DAY TO FILE CLAIMS IS SEPT. 28, 2005

On December 6, 2004, The Catholic Bishop of Spokane, a corporation sole, also known as the Catholic Diocese of Spokane (the "Diocese"), filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. If you have a sexual abuse claim, you must file a proof of claim by September 28, fill out and send in a confidential form, called a Proof of Claim, by _____, 2005 (the "Claims Bar Date"). If you have a claim and you do not file a proof of claim by that date, your claim may be discharged. If your claim is discharged, you will be or you forever may be prevented from assertingmaking your sexual abuse claim against the Diocese.

For more information, or to receive a long form Notice of Claims Bar Date and Proof of Claim Form To get the confidential Proof of Claim form and instructions about how to fill it out and where to send it, and to get a referral to an independent community sexual abuse agency or counselor, call the toll-free number listed below, or write to: Diocese of Spokane Case, c/o Claims Agent BMC Group, P.O. Box 921, El Segundo, CA 90245-0921, or visit the website set forth below. You will not be charged for any counseling services and any discussions between you and the counselor will be kept strictly confidential.

1-888-909-0100 -or- www.bmcgroup.com/dioceseofspokane

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