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Reverend Real Bourque, O.M.I.
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Dear Father Bourque,

Since October of 1996 I have held the position of Delegate for Matters Pertaining to Sexual Misconduct by Clergy. In that capacity I am writing to you regarding the enclosed flyer. Bishop John McCormack gave it to me and expressed concerns that it may indicate a renewed ministry on your part within the Archdiocese.

Would it be possible for you to let me know what sorts of ministry you are involved with in the Archdiocese? It is a concern because the Policy adopted by Cardinal Law in 1993 sets clear limits and procedures in the lives of priests to whom it applies.

You could provide me with this information by letter. If you'd rather, I would be willing to meet with you personally. I am grateful for your understanding and cooperation. There is no serious concern here, only a desire to know what you are doing.

I am sending a copy of this letter and the flyer to Fr. Paul Ouellette, O.M.I.

Again, thank you for your help. I hope you find this Advent season a meaningful one in your own life.

Sincerely,

Reverend William F. Murphy
Delegate of the Archbishop

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cc: Rev. Paul Ouellette, O.M.I.

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