

Pittsburgh Priest #1

Biographical Information

Omitted

Employment/Assignment History

Omitted

Summary

In a “*Memo to File*” dated April 21, 2004, Father Ronald P. Lengwin documented a discussion that he had with a KDKA TV reporter. The reporter had advised Lengwin that they were preparing to do a story about allegations being made by an 85-year-old World War II veteran that he was sexually abused by a priest 70 years earlier. While Lengwin never mentioned the priest’s name in the memorandum, he did state that the priest in question died in 1958. The memorandum further stated that the victim spoke with Diocesan officials who offered him counseling services for assistance in dealing with this abuse. It also noted that the victim was comforted by the fact that the Diocese found his allegations to be credible.

The documents received via subpoena contained invoices and checks made payable to a psychologist who treated the victim. It appeared that the Diocese paid for those treatments and created a treatment plan for his recovery.