

Angela Kyriazopoulos

From: _PSO NSW
Sent: Wednesday, 21 December 2011 2:43 PM
To: 'Tynan, Sean'
Subject: RE: Information from John Daveron's records

Dear Sean,

I refer to your email of yesterday and to our subsequent telephone discussion of today.

My email is to confirm my verbal advice that the PSO does not hold a file or body of client type files registered under the name of John Davoren, or under the name of any other PSO worker.

All Professional standards files managed by this office are held pursuant to two discrete systems reflecting formal Towards Healing complaints or general intelligence material relevant to the context of the work of this office.

Within each system individual files are identified with reference to the name/s of the complainant/victim and/or alleged perpetrator/accused.

In relation to 'McAlinden material' held by this office I note that on 19 May 2010 the PSO forwarded to you a full copy of a PSO intelligence file and also full copies of the **AE** and **AC** Towards Healing files, which collectively were the only files relating to the particular priest raised by this office during John Davoren's tenure as director. Indeed, it is further noted that John Davoren ceased to be a Director of the Professional Standards Office at the end of April 2003.

Sean, all other 'McAlinden material' held by this office (namely 11 other formal Towards Healing complaints) was raised between 2007-2010 and most if not all of these files effectively originated out of the Diocesan Child Protection Unit.

Given the reality of all of this to the best of my knowledge I am not aware of where one might locate any other information relating to McAliden within the filing systems of this office.

However Sean, should you be subsequently provided with more specific information concerning this issue I will be more than happy to cause a further search of any relevant files held by this office.

In the meantime Sean, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you yours a very safe and happy Christmas/New Year.

Kind regards,

Michael Salmon
Director of Professional Standards Office

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From: Tynan, Sean [<mailto:Sean.Tynan@mn.catholic.org.au>]

Sent: Tuesday, 20 December 2011 4:52 PM

To: _PSO NSW

Subject: Information from John Daveron's records

Hey Michael,

I am currently in negotiations with David Begg Assoc (John Ellis) re a compensation claim for an alleged victim of Dennis McAlinden. In the course of the negotiations, John indicated that information was held by John Daveron, supporting the proposition that the Diocese of Maitland (as it was) was made aware of McAlinden's conduct from the early 1950's.

As a matter of some urgency, could you please check any information held by PSO that could give credence to John Ellis' proposition.

Please feel free to give me ring to discuss.

Thank you

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