


# Memorandum

To: File (Roger Fortier)

From: Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD 

Date: 10-03-02

Re: Derry PD Investigation

On 10-03-02, I went to the Derry Police Department to meet with Lt. Vernon Thomas. Lt. Thomas had conducted an investigation in 1984 involving Father Roger Fortier, and had agreed to provide me with any and all documents concerning that case. It should be noted that the Derry Police Department never charged Roger Fortier with a crime relating to that incident, but a good deal of information was obtained relating to his activities in their town. It should also be noted that in 1998, a male subject filed a report with the Derry Police Department alleging that he'd been assaulted by Roger Fortier in the town of Derry back in 1984. The information provided in the 1998 report is very similar to that which was provided in 1984, but due to the statute of limitations no charges were filed in that case either. The following is a breakdown of the Derry Police Department's investigation into activities by Father Roger Fortier.

## 1984 Investigation:

The investigation by then Officer Thomas begins in August of 1984, and is apparently the result of intelligence information gathered by the Derry Police Department relating to a male subject by the name of [REDACTED] Mr. [REDACTED] was the owner of [REDACTED] that existed in Derry in 1984 called [REDACTED]. Intelligence information was obtained by the department suggesting that [REDACTED] was luring children from [REDACTED] to his residence [REDACTED] in Derry. [REDACTED] would then provide the children with alcohol, video games, and pornography, and it was suspected that he was sexually assaulting the children as well.

Based on this information, Officer Thomas conducted surveillance and spoke with neighbors who informed him that a priest (later identified as Roger Fortier) was frequenting the [REDACTED] residence as well. Officer Thomas documented the remainder of his investigation which took place as follows.

08-29-84: Officer Thomas researched information on [REDACTED] DOB: [REDACTED] and found no NCIC or Motor Vehicle information. Officer Thomas conducted surveillance that evening at

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the [redacted] residence on [redacted]. A vehicle was observed in the driveway of the residence and was recorded as:

1981 Datsun 2-door color copper--Listed to Roger Fortier of 117 Youville St. Manchester, NH.

Lights in the residence were on but no one was home.

08-30-84:

Officer Thomas conducted surveillance at 06:40 hrs and found a vehicle in the driveway:

NH [redacted]—1978 Olds Delta color blue—listed to [redacted] of [redacted] NH, and a mailing address of [redacted].

Officer Thomas checked the [redacted] NH address that same morning. The house was a white Cape and it appeared that no one was home at the time. Thomas checked with Manchester Police and found no information relating to either [redacted] or Roger Fortier.

Officer Thomas returned to the [redacted] address in Derry at approximately 13:05 hrs and found the Datsun belonging to Roger Fortier in the driveway. There was loud music coming from inside the residence but no observations were made.

Officer Thomas returned to the [redacted] address in Derry at approximately 20:00 hrs. At that time he observed a male subject approximately 20 years old sitting on a chair by the front door of the residence, without a shirt on. There was a second male seated across from him who appeared to be approximately 40 years old and both men appeared to be watching television.

08-31-84:

Officer Thomas checked the [redacted] residence at approximately 12:15 hrs and observed a 1972 Buick ([redacted]) parked out front. Again there was music coming from inside the residence. This vehicle was still there at 18:00 hrs. [redacted] car was in the driveway and remained as such throughout the day. Nothing further was noted.

09-03-84:

At approximately 08:00 hrs, an unknown woman approached Derry Officer Napoli at a convenience store to report suspicious activity at [redacted] in Derry. This woman stated that a neighbor of hers named [redacted] whom she noted was the owner of [redacted] and that at approximately 23:00 hrs each night, the house lit up like a Christmas tree [redacted]. The woman stated further that young teen-age boys frequented the house and that a Catholic priest, whom she believed was formerly assigned to St. Thomas parish in Derry, often spent time at that residence. The woman suspected that homosexual activity was taking place at that home. She stated further that she had observed cases of beer being brought into that house on several occasions. Apparently several other neighbors were aware of "what was going on", but were afraid to get involved.

09-04-84:

At 16:30 hrs that date, Officer Thomas spoke with Rene Gingras (age 62) and Theresa Gingras (6-8-26). Both women told Thomas that they had observed young males (approx. 17-18 years old) carrying records going in and out of the [redacted] residence at [redacted] on numerous occasions. The two knew one of the "young males" and identified him as [redacted]. Rene and Theresa Gingras suspected homosexual activity as well, as they only

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saw males going into that residence. The two reported further that activity at that residence had picked up over the past several months and that often there are cars parked on both sides of [REDACTED] with the occupants all going to the [REDACTED] residence, and most of the "parties" take place at night. As a final note, the women reported that a Catholic priest known as "Father Roger" had frequented the home on many occasions as well.

09-06-84:

Officer Thomas did surveillance at 20:00 hrs. At that time he observed two cars in the driveway and a with male with gray hair sitting on a chair in the living room. Two other subjects were observed in another area of the house, and both were described as white males approximately 18 years old.

09-07-84:

Officer Thomas did surveillance at 20:30 hrs and observed several cars in the driveway. Also observed subject in the house, same subject he viewed on 09-06-84 (approx. 18 yoa). Thomas also viewed a white female believed to be [REDACTED]

At 20:55 hrs Thomas observed two male subjects come out of the residence and get into a red station wagon (MA reg. [REDACTED]) One was the gray haired male observed the day prior. At 22:18 hrs, the red station wagon returned and a white male exited the car carrying beer. All subjects went into the home.

09-10-84:

Officer Thomas viewed home belonging to Father Roger Fortier located at 117 Youville St. in Manchester. After doing so, Thomas did a license check and learned that Fortier changed his address to 189 N. Main St. Rochester, NH. The following day, Thomas drove to Rochester to view the address and found it to be the Holy Rosary Church.

09-12-84:

Officer Thomas went to the Manchester PD where he met with Officer Steinmetz. Steinmetz provided information that Roger Fortier had been at St. John's Church in Manchester but had since transferred to Rochester. The transfer was said to be a result of rumored homosexual conduct by Fortier. The Manchester Police had information that a parishioner of St. John's church had been propositioned by Roger Fortier. The parishioner's son had also been propositioned. Thomas called St. John's parish and spoke with a receptionist who advised that Roger Fortier had been transferred to Rochester.

Officer Thomas was contacted again by Manchester Police Officer Steinmetz who had obtained further information relating to Roger Fortier. Steinmetz related that Manchester Police officer Armand Forest was a parishioner at St. John's (AKA St. Jean's church) and had information about Roger Fortier. Officer Thomas met with Forest at the Manchester Police station. Forest stated that he'd known Roger Fortier as a priest at his church for approximately 2 1/2 years. Forest stated that he had suspected Fortier as being a homosexual, and this was confirmed when Forest heard that another parishioner had been propositioned by Fortier. Forest went on to say that a known associate of Roger Fortier is a priest by the name of "Petit", who was also at St. John's for a short time. Forest suspected Petit as being homosexual as well, as he displayed very feminine mannerisms.

Forest reported that the rumor within the church was that Roger Fortier was a homosexual. Roger Fortier was the youth coordinator representing St. John's church at the West Side Catholic Regional School at the time. Forest offered the name of former Manchester Police Deputy Chief Armel Couture as possibly having more information about Roger Fortier, as Couture was a member of St. John's Parish council at the time. Officer Thomas did contact this person, but Couture had no real information to offer.

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Later that same day, Officer Thomas met again with Armand Forest who had with him a friend's son (not named). The son reported knowing Roger Fortier well, saying that he and his friends often went to Fortier's rectory apartment at Fortier's request. There Fortier would show them pornography and provide them with beer. The son went on to say that he knew Fortier was "gay", because Fortier had propositioned one of his friends. The friend was identified as 19 year old [REDACTED]. On one occasion, Fortier invited [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] house" in Derry to watch pornography and drink beer. [REDACTED] accepted and spent the night. [REDACTED] woke up to feel Fortier's hand in his [REDACTED] pants, upon which he hit Fortier. No further assaults took place and [REDACTED] stayed away from Fortier after that.

Following that incident, Roger Fortier became friendly with another friend of the above informant. This friend was identified as [REDACTED] of Manchester. It was suspected that Roger Fortier and [REDACTED] were involved in a homosexual relationship and [REDACTED] was reported to have been 14-15 years old at the time.

The informant stated further to Officer Thomas that during the summer of 1983, he himself was solicited by a priest from Merrimack, NH by the name of Phil Petit. The incident occurred on a path a St. Anselm's college in Manchester. Petit had become friendly with the informant and his friends while serving as a deacon at St. John's parish in 1982-83. At one point, Petit told the informant that he was a homosexual, and that "he could really enjoy him if he was gay". The informant stated to Petit that he was not gay, and eventually Petit became frustrated and took the informant home.

Later in the interview, the informant told Officer Thomas that he had another friend named [REDACTED], who had once told the informant that this "Father Petit" had taken him to a camp in Derry, NH, and had "tried the same ploy on him". This friend was said to have been approximately 20 years old at the time.

Following his interview with the above informant (who is not identified in the Police report), Officer Thomas spoke with former Manchester Police Deputy Chief Armel Couture. Mr. Couture was a member of the St. John's parish council and was said to have information about Father Fortier. Couture had little to offer, however, aside from information about Fortier's duties at the church etc.

09-13-84: On this date, Officer Thomas checked the [REDACTED] residence and learned that one of the young men who had been staying there was identified as [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was no longer at the residence, however, and was believed to have returned to college.

09-16-84: On this date, Officer Thomas conducted an interview with alleged victim [REDACTED] DOB: [REDACTED] reported in the late summer of 1982 [REDACTED] was 17 yoa), Father Fortier brought him to a green cottage on a lake in Derry, NH that belonged to Fortier's friend [REDACTED]. At the cottage, the two drank beer and watched porno movies (alone). The subject [REDACTED] returned home at approximately 11:00 pm and all three subjects went to bed after that. Fortier and [REDACTED] slept in the same bedroom and during the night, [REDACTED] woke up to find Fortier with his hand on [REDACTED] buttocks. [REDACTED] pulled Fortier's hand off and there was no further contact after that.

[REDACTED] told his parents what happened, and [REDACTED] father spoke with a priest from another parish (priest was not identified) to see what should be done about it. This priest told [REDACTED] that Fortier was receiving psychological treatment through the Diocese of Manchester for his problem. The [REDACTED] did not pursue this matter further

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because they believed that the church was taking care of it. Several weeks later, Fr. Fortier left St. John's for a while, presumably to be cured of his problem. When he returned, the [redacted] thought he was cured. Fortier had since been transferred to another church at the time of this report.

09-17-02:

On this date, Officer Thomas went to the Holy Rosary church in Derry and interviewed Fortier. Fortier was read his rights and agreed to speak with Thomas. In the interview, Fortier stated that he was friends with [redacted]. Fortier stated that he visited [redacted] frequently and that he often brought boys from the parish with him. Fortier provided the following names as those he brought to the [redacted] home.

- [redacted] Manchester, NH (age 18)
- [redacted] Manchester, NH (age 17)
- [redacted] Manchester, NH (age 19)

Fortier was asked if [redacted] was a homosexual and his answer was, "I'd rather not say". Officer Thomas told Fortier that he knew [redacted] was a homosexual and asked if [redacted] had ever touched any of the boys that were brought to his home. Fortier admitted that [redacted] was indeed homosexual but swore he never touched any of the boys, and said that any communication regarding [redacted] touching the boys would be "privileged" because Fortier was a priest. When asked if [redacted] had ever mentioned contact with the boys during casual conversation, Fortier stated, "I'd rather not say".

Later in the interview, Fortier admitted to Officer Thomas that he was homosexual but said that none of the boys he brought to Derry knew that. Fortier admitted to the incident involving [redacted] but stated that it was "a big mistake" and that he regretted it. Fortier admitted further to "showing movies" to the boys and providing them with beer both at the [redacted] home and at the St. John's rectory, but denied engaging in any homosexual activity with any of the boys.

When questioned further, Fortier stated that he'd been friends with the boys for approximately 2 1/2 years, which Thomas noted would make them all minors at some point in the relationship. Fortier stated that he was closest to [redacted] and when asked if he'd ever touched [redacted] Fortier stated "I'd rather not say". When questioned about the other boys, however, Fortier responded "No".

When asked who else frequented the [redacted] residence, Fortier named several teenagers, but knew them only by first name— [redacted]. He also named an adult friend of [redacted] as [redacted] who drives a maroon station wagon", and Father Ray Laferiere, the pastor of St. Joan of Ark church in Alton, NH. During the interview, it became clear to Officer Thomas that Fortier was being evasive and that he was hiding something. When confronted with this, Fortier stated that he was "afraid he would lose his priesthood".

On this same date, Officer Thomas interviewed [redacted] DOB: [redacted]. [redacted] stated that he and Fortier were friends and had been so for approximately three years. [redacted] stated that he never had any reason to believe that Fortier was a homosexual. Fortier never touched him in any way, he said, nor did he ever proposition him. Officer Thomas spoke with [redacted] mother as well, and she too denied knowledge of Fortier's homosexuality. Ms. [redacted] had spent time herself with Father Fortier and [redacted] and even took her son with Fortier, [redacted] and Ray Laferiere on a one week vacation to [redacted]. [redacted] stated that she had concerns in the past about her son

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always spending time with Father Fortier and suggested to him on occasion that he should spend more time with his other friends. Each time she did that, however, Father Fortier would get depressed and would allow her son to go visit him.

went on to deny that he'd ever been shown pornography by Fortier and named the following as other people who spent time at the residence. and a guy named

On this same date, Officer Thomas interviewed and his mother stated that he knew Fortier but not as well as has visited Fortier both at his church rectory and at the residence in Derry. admitted that other boys drank beer with Fortier but said that he himself did not drink. denied any knowledge of Fortier or being homosexual.

was interviewed as well, and said that she knew Fortier also. She described Fortier's character as moody and very dependent on others. felt that Fortier had psychological problems and during the past couple years, she was concerned at time with her son and the other boys hanging around with Fortier as often as they did.

As a final note, named other boys who frequented the residence.

On this same date, Officer Thomas interviewed by telephone. stated that he knew Fr. Fortier, but had no personal contact with Fortier that would lead him to believe Fortier was a homosexual. know of a friend who had a confrontation with Fortier. was approx. 17 yoa and was taken by Fortier to an unknown location in Derry, NH. At that location, Fortier asked if he wanted a "blow job". became very upset and demanded that Fortier bring him back to Manchester. Fortier did so and nothing further was said to have taken place.

Officer Thomas then questioned about his confrontation with Philip Petit in Derry. stated that this took place in June of 1979, when was 15 yoa. Petit took for a ride to a cottage in Derry (unk location) where he gave beer in what believed was an attempt to "get him drunk". Petit began to discuss his homosexuality with asked him about masturbation, and asked him to go skinny-dipping. insisted on being brought back to Manchester, which Petit did, but Petit asked him "not to go spreading the word about him being homosexual". had no further contact with Petit after that.

09-18-84:

On this date, Officer Thomas spoke with Probation officer Brian Dennis to inquire as to why probation had placed juvenile in the custody of for Christmas in 1983. Dennis stated that he wanted a place to other than YDC, and was said to be a friend. There was a rumor that was homosexual and that he might possibly be paying for sexual favors, but the rumor was never substantiated.

09-19-84:

On this date, Officer Thomas interviewed of in Nashua, NH (employed by NH). Lajoie reported being the former lover of and said the two lived together at in Derry, NH. Both of them had a drinking problem, as did a friend of theirs (another homosexual) named Roger

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Fortier. [redacted] was cheating and [redacted] soon realized the males coming over to the house were teen-agers. [redacted] told [redacted] he shouldn't hang around with the young boys. [redacted] said he was naïve and "for the right price, a man can get anything he wanted".

[redacted] and [redacted] broke up, and sometime later [redacted] saw [redacted] at a gathering. There [redacted] bragged to [redacted] about a young man named [redacted] who carried a card with him listing prices he charged for sexual favors. [redacted] had no information about Fortier molesting boys. [redacted] did name two adult homosexuals that he and [redacted] were friends with— [redacted]

On this same date, Officer Thomas interviewed [redacted] at his establishment [redacted] on [redacted] in Derry, NH. [redacted] stated that he and [redacted] were friends with [redacted] and [redacted] and that [redacted] had many male friends who came into his shop for haircuts.

[redacted]

[redacted] stated that he and [redacted] have tried to discourage [redacted] from continuing his contact with the boys. [redacted] believed that the boys were being paid by [redacted] for sexual favors.

07-16-98:

[redacted] files reports with the Farmington and Derry Police Departments regarding an assault that took place in 1983 or 84. [redacted] stated that he was visiting a house in Derry, NH at the time belonging to [redacted] was dating [redacted] daughter [redacted] at the time, and slept over the house one night after drinking. [redacted] recalled Fr. Roger Fortier coming into the living room where [redacted] was sleeping. Fortier disrobed, masturbated his own penis and approached the couch. There he began to perform oral sex on [redacted] soon after which [redacted] slapped him in the head.

This assault was outside the Statute of Limitations and no further investigation was conducted. [redacted] did provide the names of other possible victims.

[redacted] employed by [redacted]

[redacted] tel. [redacted] attempts to contact [redacted] were unsuccessful at the time of this report and [redacted] (mother was uncooperative).

[redacted] believed to be serving a life sentence in New York State for Armed Robbery.

END OF DERRY PD INVESTIGATION.

\*It should be noted that following the above investigation, Derry Police Officer Vernon Thomas had contact with Father Christian of the Diocese of Manchester. Officer Vernon revealed the context of his investigation to Christian and informed Christian that he was gathering information to support criminal charges against Father Fortier. Several weeks after this conversation, Officer Thomas received a call

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from Father Christian asking whether or not Thomas planned to arrest Roger Fortier. Christian explained to Officer Thomas that Roger Fortier had health problems (heart related) and the investigation was causing him a great deal of stress. Officer Thomas's answer to Christian was that he planned to complete his investigation and he would inform Roger Fortier if/when a Warrant was issued for his arrest.



## MEMORANDUM

TO: File (Father Roger Fortier)

FROM: Allison Vachon, AGO Investigator *AV*

RE: [REDACTED]

DATE: October 18, 2002

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On October 18, 2002 Detective Peter Favreau and myself went to [REDACTED] NH in an attempt to locate a potential victim of Father ROGER FORTIER whose name is [REDACTED]

We received a case file from LT. THOMAS of the Derry Police Department regarding an investigation into allegations of sexual abuse against FORTIER. In the file [REDACTED] was listed as a victim, therefore we would like to speak with him regarding any assaults that may have occurred. We were not able to locate [REDACTED] at the apartment complex.

END OF REPORT.

# Memorandum

To: File (Roger Fortier)

From: Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD

Date: 10-09-02

Re: [REDACTED]

At approximately 17:00 hrs on 10-09-02, I went to [REDACTED] in Manchester, NH to speak with:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is the mother of [REDACTED] who was named as a possible victim of Father Roger Fortier in 1984. [REDACTED] name surfaced during an investigation conducted by the Derry, NH Police Department during that time period, relating to alleged sexual assaults that were being committed at a home on [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was said to have had a close relationship with Father Roger Fortier, under whom [REDACTED] served as an altar boy at St. Jean's parish in Manchester, NH. Several of [REDACTED] friends suspected at the time that [REDACTED] may have been involved in a sexual relationship with Fortier. [REDACTED] was questioned by Derry Police investigators in 1984, but he denied having been abused by Father Fortier. Roger Fortier was questioned by Police investigators in that case as well, and he did not deny abusing [REDACTED] saying that he "would rather not talk about it". For that reason, it was suspected by the Derry Police that Fortier was abusing [REDACTED] but because of [REDACTED] denial, he was never able to gather enough evidence to support criminal charges against Fortier.

Sitting down with [REDACTED] and her husband, I explained to them the purpose of the NH Attorney General's investigation into the Manchester Diocese, and why I wished to speak with them and their son [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] immediately became upset, telling me that they had "buried this years ago". As far as they were concerned, Roger Fortier could "rot" in prison and they had put all of this behind them. For further information, the Fortier's advised that they had spoken with Derry Police investigators in the early 1980's, when the case involving Fortier and [REDACTED] was being conducted. At that time, their son [REDACTED] told the Police that he had never been assaulted by Roger Fortier and the [REDACTED] felt that the matter was closed.

Some years after that incident, Roger Fortier presided over the marriage of [REDACTED] and his wife, and stayed close with the [REDACTED] family as he'd always done in the past. It was not until the late 1990's that the [REDACTED] learned of Fortier's arrest and conviction for assaulting children that they realized what type of person he was and they feel that he should spend the rest of his life in jail for what he has done. As for [REDACTED] he continues to deny having been assaulted by Roger Fortier and the [REDACTED] have no reason not to believe him. [REDACTED] made it clear that they had no further information to offer, but agreed to pass my card on to their son [REDACTED] with the message to have him call me as soon as possible.

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As a final note, [REDACTED] mentioned to me as I was leaving that she had received a Christmas card from Roger Fortier about six months after the Derry investigation was conducted. In that card, Roger Fortier denied having done anything wrong to [REDACTED] recalls throwing the card away and thinking at the time that if Fortier was "innocent", he would have come to the house immediately after the Derry incident to clear things up, rather than waiting six months and sending a card.

The [REDACTED] then reiterated to me that they had no information to offer regarding Fortier's involvement in sexually abusing children and said again that they did not believe their son [REDACTED] was a victim. They then walked me to the door, asked me to keep all of this information confidential, and said that they would have [REDACTED] call me, if he chose to do so.

# Memorandum

To: File (Roger Fortier)  
From: Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD  
Date: 10-09-02  
Re: [REDACTED]

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At approximately 17:30 hrs on 10-09-02, I went to [REDACTED] with:

[REDACTED] was named as a possible victim in the Derry Police Department's 1984 investigation into alleged sexual abuse by Father Roger Fortier, that was said to have taken place in a home on [REDACTED] in Derry. Based on that information, I went to [REDACTED] this date, where I sat down with [REDACTED] and his mother [REDACTED]. Explaining the purpose of my investigation to them, both [REDACTED] were very receptive and said they would be happy to tell me what they knew.

To begin with, [REDACTED] made it clear that he was not victimized by Roger Fortier in any way. [REDACTED] explained to me that he'd met Roger Fortier through his friend [REDACTED] who served as an altar boy under Fortier at St. Jean's parish in Manchester. [REDACTED] became close with Fortier, and spent a great deal of time with him at both the rectory and at a residence on [REDACTED] in Derry, NH, belonging to a man named [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] did not know [REDACTED] well, but did recall going with his parents and the [REDACTED] family to a cookout at that house at some point during the early 1980's. [REDACTED] confirmed this, saying that she remembered the "cookout" and the man named [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] family was close to Father Fortier. [REDACTED] explained, and she allowed her son to spend a great deal of time with Fortier.

Neither [REDACTED] nor his mother [REDACTED] ever suspected Fortier of being sexually abusive, and [REDACTED] said that Fortier never showed any indication that he was homosexual. Fortier never provided alcohol or pornography to [REDACTED] or to anyone that [REDACTED] knew, and [REDACTED] had no information about anyone claiming to have been assaulted by Fortier. [REDACTED] recalled being questioned by the Derry Police during their investigation (early 1980's), and he denied any assaults at that time as well.

It should be noted that when speaking of [REDACTED] told me that he and [REDACTED] had discussed the Fortier allegations after speaking with the Derry Police and [REDACTED] had always denied being a victim. [REDACTED] has would not be surprised to learn that [REDACTED] was in fact a victim, however, because [REDACTED] spent an extraordinary amount of time alone with Fortier when [REDACTED] was young, to include a trip to Florida. In [REDACTED] mind, it is possible that [REDACTED] was victimized and does not want to talk about it, though [REDACTED] has no first hand

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information about that. [REDACTED] stated that he would not feel comfortable talking to [REDACTED] about this again, as the two have lost touch somewhat over the past several years.

With that, the [REDACTED] told me that they had no further information to offer but said that they would cooperate in any way that they could if asked to do so in the future.

# Memorandum

**To:** File (Roger Fortier)  
**From:** Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD  
**Date:** 09-04-02  
**Re:** Derry Police Investigation

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At approximately 15:30 hrs on 09-04-02, I spoke with Lt. Thomas of the Derry Police Department regarding an investigation he conducted in 1984 involving Roger Fortier. Lt. Thomas recalled the investigation and provided me with the following information.

In 1984, Lt. Thomas (at the time Officer Thomas) received information that the owner of [REDACTED] might be molesting children. The owner was identified as a [REDACTED] and was said to be turning children from [REDACTED] to his home [REDACTED] in Derry. At that residence [REDACTED] would provide the kids with alcohol, video games, and pornography, and it was suspected that he was sexually assaulting the children as well.

In response to the above information, Officer Thomas conducted surveillance at the [REDACTED] address and confirmed that there were a number of children going in and out of the home on a regular basis. Officer Thomas spoke with neighbors of [REDACTED] who told him that there was a priest frequenting the address as well, and this priest was eventually identified as Roger Fortier. It was learned through further investigation that [REDACTED] and Fortier were showing the children gay pornography and were molesting the children "under the cover of darkness". One or two of the children were eventually identified, but none of the victims admitted to having been assaulted.

Prior to concluding his investigation, Officer Thomas attempted to interview Father Roger Fortier at his new parish in Rochester, but Fortier chose not to speak with him. Thomas was sure that the Diocese of Manchester was aware of all of this information at the time, having received a phone call from "the Bishop's secretary" within days of speaking to Fortier. In that phone call, the secretary asked Thomas if Fortier was going to be arrested, and Thomas responded by saying that they would be notified if and when an arrest warrant was issued. At the conclusion of his investigation, however, Thomas did not have enough to support an arrest of Roger Fortier and the case was closed.

After providing me with the above information, Lt. Thomas said that he would research the case and provide me with copies of the Police reports when he found them. He was sure that there was more information within the reports regarding potential victims, etc. and that all of this information would be available as soon as possible.

# Memorandum

**To:** File (Roger Fortier)  
**From:** Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD  
**Date:** 09-04-02  
**Re:** File breakdown

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## File Breakdown and Timeline

**Fr. Roger Fortier**  
 10-01-46  
 Ordained: 04-26-80

### FILE:

- 06-01-78:** Letter to Fortier from Rev. Paul Groleau informing him that Bishop Gendron has assigned him to St. Joseph's parish in Salem, NH. Fortier will work for Pastor Karl Dowd. Sounds like a temporary assignment for the summer. There is a note at the bottom that says Dowd has invited him to attend clergy day at Camp Fatima on June 14.
- 06-01-78:** Letter to Rev. Karl Dowd from Rev. Groleau saying that Daniel Messier and Roger Fortier have been assigned to St. Joseph's. Says it is an 8 week summer program while they are in seminary school.
- 05-19-79:** Ordination (for Deacon) certificate for Roger Fortier signed by Bishop Gendron.
- ??????:** Undated questionnaire announcing Fortier's assignment to Sacred Heart Parish in Manchester, NH.
- 04-26-80:** Ordination (for priesthood) certificate for Fortier signed by Bishop Gendron.
- 06-04-80:** Letter to Roger Fortier from Bishop (Gendron?) advising that he has been appointed as Associate Pastor of St. John the Baptist in Manchester. Will be working for Monsignor Lesmerises and Father Martel. This is his first

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assignment as priest.

- 06-04-80: Letter to Father Desjardins from Bishop (Gendron?) informing him that Fortier will be appointed to St. John the Baptist in Manchester. Thank you For all you help while he was deacon.
- ???????: Undated, unsigned letter/memo advising Fortier that he is assigned to St. John the Baptist in Manchester.
- 06-15-81: Letter to Bishop Gendron from John Burke (Director of retreat at St. Anselm Abbey in Manchester) advising that Fortier made his annual Retreat at that location in June of 1981.
- 06-11-84: Letter to Fortier from Bishop (Gendron?) informing him that he's been assigned as Associate Pastor of Holy Rosary in Rochester. Thanks for your work at St. John the Baptist in Manchester. You will be working with Monsignor Gilles Simard (pastor) and Eugene Pelletier.
- 06-11-02: Letter to Monsignor Simard from Bishop (Gendron?) informing of appointment of Fortier as Associate Pastor of Holy Rosary in Rochester.
- 06-11-84: Letter to Father Paul Gregoire (of St. John the Baptist) from Bishop (Gendron) informing of appointment of Fortier as Associate Pastor of Holy Rosary. He will be replaced at St. John the Baptist in Manchester by Father Dennis Audet.
- 09-26-84: Confidential Memo regarding Fortier from Chancery Office of Manchester. Says that on 9-26-84, [REDACTED] called Father Christian and advised that her family was friendly with father Fortier until last week when Officer Thomas from the Derry Police Department came to their home saying that he had evidence that Fortier was homosexual and that he wanted to question her son. Officer Thomas had been questioning a number of boys from the parish.
- Father Christian called Officer Thomas who had been under the delusion that the Diocese knew all about these matters. Christian assured him that this was not so and that Diocese never heard that Fortier had any difficulties of this sort. Christian told Officer Thomas that if had known, would help so that further harm was not done. Officer Thomas said that the Derry Police had information that a priest from Manchester was bringing young men to the home of a homosexual in Derry. The priest was Fortier.
- Officer Thomas claimed that Fortier admitted he was homosexual, admitted to one case of solicitation, and had on occasion served alcohol to minors, and had on occasion shown some pornographic film to minors. Christian told Officer Thomas that he would contact Fortier himself and that the Diocese would be anxious to work with the Police if necessary.
- On September 27, Christian met with Father Fortier. Fortier was cooperative and admitted that he had some difficulties while at St. John's. He admitted to each of the charges that Officer Thomas indicated. Fortier said he knew these things were wrong and since leaving Rochester he had "turned over a new leaf".
- Christian suggested that Fortier begin seeing Dr. Ouellette immediately and to be honest about everything. If don't bring this problem under control, will end up in jail with Bishop helpless to assist. If this results in public scandal, there was the likelihood that the



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**Bishop would be unable to allow Father Fortier to function as a priest in the Diocese of Manchester and probably not anywhere else either.**

- 10-25-84: Letter to Father Christian from Dr. Ouellette saying that Fortier has been seeing him regularly.
- 08-21-86: Letter to Fortier from Bishop (Gendron?) saying that he has been appointed to the Diocesan School Board. Term of 3 years.
- 11-24-87: Letter to Fortier from [REDACTED] MD from the Lahey Clinic in Burlington MA. Says that recent exam showed no major change in your [REDACTED] status. Concerned about stress and weight.
- 12-06-87: Letter to Bishop Gendron from Fortier. Includes copy of letter from Dr. [REDACTED] and asks Gendron to consider this letter in his decision making.
- 12-19-87: Letter to Bishop Gendron from Fortier requesting a six month sick leave effective January 4, 1988.
- 12-23-87: Letter to Fortier from Bishop (Gendron?) saying that request for leave is granted for health reasons.
- 05-26-88: Letter to Fortier from Bishop (Gendron?) confirming appointment as Associate Pastor of Infant Jesus parish in Nashua. Will work with Father Eddy Bisson.
- 05-26-88: Letter to Father Bisson from Bishop (Gendron?) saying that Fr. Marcel Martel will be appointed as Associate Pastor of St. Mary Parish in Manchester. He will be replaced at Infant Jesus by Fortier.
- 09-18-89: Letter to Fortier from Bishop (Gendron?) confirming appointment of Fortier as Associate Pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish in Manchester. Will work with Father Leonard Foisy. Based on health, will return part-time until better.
- abuse*  
11 [REDACTED] 01-09-91: Letter to Fortier from Bishop O'Neil confirming appointment as Pastor of Saint Peter in Farmington effective February 6, 1991. First assignment as Pastor.
- 01-29-91: Profession of faith for Pastors. Signed by Fortier.
- 06-07-93: Confidential letter to Father William Perri of St. Michael's Center in St. Louis, MO from Father Christian. Says he has spoken with Joan Thorne and learned that Fortier has made a positive adjustment to the alcohol rehab program at the Hyland Center. Hope he will bring the same attitude to St. Michaels when he joins you for therapy relating to his other lifestyle difficulties. Want to make you aware of those issues.

Fortier ordained in 1980. Shortly before his ordination, a member of his family approached the Diocese, concerned that Fortier was homosexual. The family member had no proof and when confronted, Fortier denied. Several years after ordination, Fortier was involved in a police investigation involving child endangerment (Derry). No legal action resulted, but Fortier admitted to "me" (Christian) at the time that he'd been imprudent in bringing young men into the rectory and allowing them to view pornographic materials, and partake in consumption of alcohol. The same type of activity apparently took place at the home of a

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male friend in Derry. Fortier was asked at the time to seek counseling which he did for some time. There was no evidence at the time that Fortier was acting out sexually.

It has recently come to my (Christian) attention that for the past 2 or 3 years that Fortier has regularly visited this male friend who now lives in Atlanta, GA. While there, Fortier and friend cruised the gay bars and actively engaged in homosexual encounters. Also learned that for a number of years, Fortier cruised bars in Nashua, NH where he made numerous homosexual contacts. When confronted, Fortier did not deny and seemed to recognize that this is an area in his life that requires a great deal of understanding and control.

I have made it clear to Fortier that the Diocese is concerned about drinking and lifestyle problems and that he can minister as a priest only if and when these problems are controlled. Hate to see him jeopardized his future ministry because of unwillingness or inability to deal with these issues.

**12-15-93:**

Letter to Msgr. Christian from Rev. Daniel Lamothe of St. Joseph's Church in Dover, NH. Says that on December 14, Lamothe met with Fortier at St. Peter's in Farmington at the suggestion of Fathers Gary Belliveau and Paul Gregoire. Letter talks about Fortier spending time with a friend named [REDACTED] and the finance committee and Pastoral council being upset with [REDACTED] involvement in the church. [REDACTED] is said to have a criminal record and has been involved with Little League and scouting during which money disappeared. Lamothe spoke with the Chief of Police who advised that [REDACTED] not be involved in any way from rectory activities.

Fortier is apparently very close with [REDACTED] and had him working at the church with Fortier in the sanctuary and teaching religious education. When informed of the concern, Fortier became very upset and said that no one should be telling him who his friends should be. Fortier had tears in his eyes and questioned whether or not he should stay in Farmington.

**12-16-93:**

Memorandum from Msgr. Christian regarding Fortier. On December 15<sup>th</sup>, spoke with Fortier on the phone to discuss above memo. Fortier told me that he'd already spoken with [REDACTED] to inform him that he could not have any official function in the parish. He was disturbed that parishioners had jumped to conclusions on the basis of appearances, but understood that his creditability and effectiveness was at stake....due to perceptions, better not to serve the parish.

**05-23-94:**

Progress review from St. Michael's—questionnaire to be filled out by Msgr. Christian. Nothing of note.

**09-07-94:**

Letter to Bishop O'Neil from Sr. Joan Lampton, Director of Aftercare at the Servants of the Paraclete. Aftercare for treatment at St. Michael's. Please fill out questionnaire.

**10-24-94:**

Progress review from St. Michael's—questionnaire to be filled out by Msgr. Christian. Nothing of note.

**11-15-94:**

Letter to Bishop O'Neil from Joan Lampton of St. Michael's Community to report on Fortier's progress during aftercare work shop that took place on October 24. Fortier expressed concern about his weight and is attending AA meetings 3 times/week. Reported No problems in the area of celibacy. Fortier is doing well. His next aftercare is scheduled for March.

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- 02-01-95: Letter to Bishop O'Neil from Joan Lampton of St. Michael's. Please fill out questionnaire regarding March aftercare. Letter to Fortier from Lampton about March aftercare...when to arrive etc.
- 03-20-95: St. Michael's community progress review regarding Aftercare workshop from March 20. Questionnaire to be filled out by Msgr. Christian. Nothing of note except that he has transitioned nicely back to parish ministry.
- 04-11-95: Progress report of Fortier from Joan Lampton of St. Michael's regarding March aftercare workshop. Roger is doing well, going to AA etc. Next workshop is scheduled for August 7 1995.
- 06-21-95: Letter to Bishop O'Neil from Joan Lampton of St. Michael's....please fill out Aftercare questionnaire. Nothing of note in attached questionnaire.
- 08-06-97: Memo about Fortier from Msgr. Christian regarding his work at St. Peter's in Farmington. Has been at St. Peter's for nearly 7 years and is very happy. Fortier is most happy providing Eucharist and also enjoys preaching. Health is a problem but very happy and good relationship with parishioners. He recognizes that he cannot go to a larger parish due to health and would like to remain in Farmington for a couple more years. Health is best it has been for some time but still a concern.
- 10-28-97: Letter to Fortier from Msgr. Christian. Placing you on Administrative Leave until further notice. During this time, no priestly faculties of the Diocese of Manchester. You will be in residence at St. Joseph in Nashua until further notice.
- ???????: Undated, unsigned handwritten notes about "Felony Sexual Assault", arraignment October 27 or 28 etc. Talks about [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] "Horseplay, kissing, mutual oral sex, finger in anus". "Seemed to enjoy" "Mother found out somehow, called police". Police found gay magazines. 1 other person in Farmington, started at 16, 1 1/2 years ago, 3 or 4 times.
- ???????: Undated speech on St. Peter's Church, Farmington letterhead from Msgr. Christian with some handwritten notes. Talks about allegations against Fortier, can they be true? We want the truth and Diocese is cooperating with authorities in every way. Regardless of truth, boy and family are suffering and must reach out to them. Fortier on Admin leave and must pray for him as well. Father Turgeon will serve as temporary administrator of St. Peter's.
- 09-10-98: Letter to Diocese of Manchester from Stephen Carlisle, parole officer from NH DOC. Letter requests that someone write a letter on behalf of Fortier to provide any info that might be useful in pre-sentence investigation of "recent felony convictions".
- 09-18-98: Letter to Mr. Carlisle from Francis Christian about Fortier for pre-sentence investigation. Says that Fortier served as priest most recently at St. Peter's in Farmington but is currently suspended due to charges against him and subsequent conviction. Fortier was always an effective priest and well liked. Did have drinking problem but went to treatment and solved. **Sexual problems with youth were unknown to the Diocese and it is unfortunate that he did not make use of treatment to deal with those other issues. Had he attempted to deal with them, and given the success with alcohol, may very well not have engaged in the destructive behavior for which he has been found guilty.** He has health problems which will be a significant issue for him for the rest of his life.

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- ??????:** Undated list of Fortier's education, Parish assignments, and special assignments.
- 10-12-99:** Letter to Fortier from "Frank", "Auxiliary Bishop of Manchester wishing Fortier a speedy recovery from surgery.
- 11-03-99:** Copy of settlement involving a [REDACTED] and the Diocese of Manchester. It appears that [REDACTED] sued or intended to file suit against The Roman Catholic Bishop of Manchester "a corporation sole", but instead settled on \$100,000. Does not mention any details regarding the foundation for the suit.
- 11-12-00:** Handwritten letter to "Bishop John" from Fortier thanking him for his letter, kind words, and visit.
- 04-24-01:** Newspaper clipping of death announcement of 17 year old [REDACTED] who died "unexpectedly in his home". Says [REDACTED] was a [REDACTED] where he was an altar server and lector. [REDACTED]
- 08-31-01:** Memo to Father Arsenault from Bishop McCormack requesting that monthly stipend for Fathers Fortier and Gordon MacRae (who are both in prison) be increased from \$100 to \$150.

**\*\*File ends with copy of NH Supreme Court decision on State V. Fortier dated August 2000.**

# Memorandum

**To:** File (Roger Fortier)  
**From:** Detective Peter Favreau; Manchester, NH PD   
**Date:** 10-29-02  
**Re:** Armand Forest

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At approximately 14:00 hrs this date, I met with:

Armand Forest  


Mr. Forest was mentioned in the Derry Police reports relating to their investigation into Father Roger Fortier back in 1984. At that time, Forest was a member of the parish council at St. Jean the Baptist church in Manchester, NH, where Fortier was the Asst. Pastor. Armand Forest had come to know Fortier well through his work on the parish council (1980-83), as well as Forest's job as a Police officer patrolling the west side of Manchester.

Armand Forest agreed to meet with me this date to discuss what he recalled about Roger Fortier and the Derry Police Department investigation, and he told me the following. Forest remembered rumors within St. Jean the Baptist church concerning the possibility of Fortier being homosexual, and Forest believed this to be true. Forest had no first-hand knowledge of Fortier's sexual orientation, however, and never spoke with anyone who could confirm these rumors. On an unknown date in 1984, Armand Forest was contacted by the Derry Police Dept., at which time he learned of their investigation into several adult males who were said to be sexually abusing children at a home in Derry. Forest was told that Father Roger Fortier was spending time at that residence, and could possibly be abusing children as well. As a member of St. Jean the Baptist, Forest was asked if he had any information to offer regarding Fortier that could assist in their investigation.

At that time, Armand Forest had a friend who was a member of St. Jean the Baptist church, whose son was an altar boy who served under Roger Fortier. Forest made contact with this friend, and asked if he would be willing to allow the son to speak with the Derry Police Department about Roger Fortier. Forest learned from this friend that his son had indeed spent time with Fortier both at the church rectory and in Derry, NH, and the friend eventually allowed his son to speak with the Derry Police, on the condition that their names never be included in any Police reports.

Armand Forest had no further involvement in the Derry PD investigation and never learned whether or not his friend's son had been abused by Fortier. Although he could not say why, Forest believed that the son was probably a victim of Fortier, and that he probably had a great deal of information to offer that was pertinent to that investigation.



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Prior to concluding the interview, Armand Forest made reference to an incident in Salem, NH, which he believed took place just prior to the Derry Police Department's investigation into Fortier. Although he could not recall the details, Forest remembered that there was some type of a Police "raid" at a rest area in Salem, and that several adult male subjects were arrested for homosexual activity at the rest stop. Forest was not sure if Roger Fortier was one of those involved, but he believed the information obtained from that incident may have led to the Derry Police investigation into Roger Fortier.

As a final note, Armand Forest stated to me that he was not comfortable giving me the name of his "friend" or the son that participated in the Derry Police investigation in 1984. Forest did agree to contact this friend, in an attempt to have this friend's son call me to participate in our investigation into this matter.



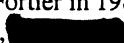
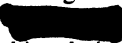
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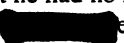

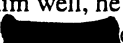



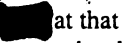


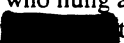


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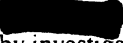
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At approximately 12:00 hrs on 10-21-02, I met with:


: DOB:  NH 

 and I met at Friendly's restaurant in Nashua, NH.  was identified as a possible victim of Roger Fortier in 1984 by Officers of the Derry, NH Police Department but at the time of that investigation,  denied that he had been assaulted or propositioned by Fortier at any time.  agreed to be interviewed anyway, in order to provide what information he did have about his relationship and knowledge of Roger Fortier.

Meeting with  in the parking lot of Friendly's restaurant, he told me immediately that he had never been molested by Roger Fortier and that he had no knowledge of Fortier's homosexuality, or of his having abused children etc.  explained to me that he developed a relationship with Fortier while serving as an altar boy at St. Jean the Baptist church in Manchester, and the relationship had lasted for a number of years. Roger Fortier treated him well, he said, and Fortier eventually developed a relationship with  parents as well.  did spend time with Roger Fortier at a house on  in Derry, he said, which he believed belonged to a man named   remembered doing work for  at that house, but he never experienced or witnessed any inappropriate activity. There were other kids who hung around the house, to include a young man named  as well as  daughter.  told me several times that he was never approached, solicited, or touched by Roger Fortier,  or anyone else, and he knew nothing of anyone else who'd been victimized by either Roger Fortier or .

After telling me the above,  stated to me that he really had no other information to offer, and said that he wanted no further involvement in this case.  was agreeable to having this information documented, so that he would not be approached by investigators again in the future about this information.

# Memorandum of Interview

PERSON INTERVIEWED: [REDACTED]  
 PLACE OF INTERVIEW: DOVER, NH POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 DATE: NOVEMBER 1, 2002  
 PERSONS INTERVIEWING: DETECTIVE PETER FAVREAU; MPD 

At approximately 16:00 hrs on 11-01-02, I went to the Dover, NH Police Department to conduct an interview with:

[REDACTED]

Subject [REDACTED] had made claims in the past that he was a victim of Father Roger Fortier and made reports of sexual abuse at the hands of Fortier on three separate occasions dating back to 1984. [REDACTED] actually testified in the 1998 trial of Roger Fortier for multiple counts of Sexual Assault involving other victims, a case in which Fortier was convicted and sentenced to a large number of years to be served in the NH State Prison. I made contact with [REDACTED] by telephone on October 28, 2002 and agreed to be interviewed about his contact with Roger Fortier. The interview was scheduled for November 1, 2002 to be conducted at the Dover, NH Police Department. The following is a synopsis of that interview.

[REDACTED] began the interview by explaining to me that he has suffered a great deal throughout his life because of the abuse he suffered at the hands of Roger Fortier. [REDACTED] has been in and out of counseling since he was a child and feels that he has had difficulty with intimacy and with relationships because of Roger Fortier's actions. [REDACTED] will never completely recover from the abuse, he told me, and he continues to struggle with the idea of speaking publicly about what happened to him, as he did during Fortier's trial in 1998. [REDACTED] decided to proceed with this interview despite his fear, however, and said that he would do his best to continue with the investigation in the future.

Asking him to start from the beginning, [REDACTED] explained to me that his "problems" first began when he was 15 years old. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] believed that his parents took their anger out on him. [REDACTED] was blamed for not keeping his parents informed of [REDACTED] and eventually, he ran away from home. After some time, [REDACTED] returned home but decided not to live in the house, instead choosing to sleep in his garage on a nightly basis. Although he could not recall exactly when, [REDACTED] began frequenting a local "pool hall" in Derry, NH. It was there that he met the owner, [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] was of similar age to [REDACTED] and eventually the two began a romantic relationship. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] had been seeing each other for a



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short while, when [REDACTED] suggested to him that he move in with her father [REDACTED] lived with her mother at the time, and [REDACTED] was living by himself at [REDACTED] in Derry, NH. [REDACTED] believed that he was 16 years old when he agreed to move in with [REDACTED] at the [REDACTED] address, and he was given his own room within that house. [REDACTED] noted to me that his parents met with [REDACTED] and agreed to this arrangement, knowing that things were not going well for [REDACTED] at home.

[REDACTED] stated to me that he was content living with [REDACTED] and he recalled another teenager named [REDACTED] who used to stay at the house on occasion. Roger Fortier used to come to the house "all the time", and [REDACTED] described him as [REDACTED] "buddy". In the beginning [REDACTED] enjoyed living with [REDACTED] saying that [REDACTED] and Roger Fortier used to take care of him, buying him food, clothing and other things on a regular basis. Eventually, Roger Fortier began showing up on weekends with wine and what [REDACTED] described as some type of "cocoa leaves". [REDACTED] and Roger Fortier would drink the wine together and suck on the cocoa leaves. The wine would make [REDACTED] drunk, the leaves would make him "high", and [REDACTED] began to invite his friends over to join him. Roger Fortier would always bring enough "wine and leaves" for [REDACTED] and his friends to "party", and the group took full advantage of Fortier's hospitality for almost a year.

Upon hearing the above, I questioned [REDACTED] about whether or not Fortier ever showed him and his friends pornography. [REDACTED] laughed and said that Roger Fortier and [REDACTED] watched pornography "all the time", and [REDACTED] and his friends were always welcomed to join them. At that point I asked [REDACTED] if he and his friends knew that Roger Fortier was a priest and whether or not they ever felt strange about watching pornography with a priest. [REDACTED] answer was that they all knew that Fortier was a priest, and Fortier often showed up at the house "wearing his collar". Despite this, [REDACTED] and his friends never thought twice about the alcohol, drugs, or pornography because, he said, "we were kids". [REDACTED] went on to explain that he and his friends became accustomed to "partying" at the house, knowing they would always have access to drugs and alcohol. Other kids struggled to get these items, and [REDACTED] and his friends always felt that they "had it made".

When asked to identify the friends that frequented the [REDACTED] home with [REDACTED] he provided me with the following names. [REDACTED] Aside from [REDACTED] lost track of these subjects soon after his contact with Roger Fortier and was unable to provide me with any further information about them, other than that they were all about his same age. [REDACTED] stated when asked that he believed [REDACTED] had been abused by Roger Fortier during this time period, but [REDACTED] would never say much about it. [REDACTED] is sure that [REDACTED] will not speak with or cooperate with authorities in any way regarding the investigation into Fortier, because he has never told anyone about it. [REDACTED] would not give me any information about [REDACTED] but he did agree to contact him to provide him with my name and telephone number.

Allowing him to continue with his story, [REDACTED] stated that at one point, Roger Fortier began showing up at the [REDACTED] home with a young male subject who was said to be an altar boy at Fortier's church. [REDACTED] could not recall the boy's name, but said that he always felt bad because the boy (believed to be a young teenager) seemed very close with Fortier and [REDACTED] has always believed that the boy was being sexually abused. Roger Fortier seemed to shower the boy with gifts, and Fortier used to bring him to the [REDACTED] home on Sundays. The boy seemed quiet and kept to himself, and never "partied" with [REDACTED] and his friends. [REDACTED] was never able to confirm that they boy was being abused, but it was after his own incident with Roger Fortier that [REDACTED] began to believe that the boy was probably a victim as well. [REDACTED] was so convinced of this fact, that after being abused himself, [REDACTED] actually found out where the boy lived and went to the boys home on the west side of Manchester, NH to tell his parents. [REDACTED]

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does not know whether he was believed or not, but he felt that he had done all he could to protect this young boy. ██████████ stated again that he could not recall this boy's name or his exact address, but he believed the family lived very close to the church in which Roger Fortier was serving at the time.

██████████ believed that he was 17 years old at the time he was sexually abused by Roger Fortier, saying that he'd been living at the ██████████ home for approximately 1 year when the incident took place. ██████████ had been drinking one night with Roger Fortier and fell asleep on a couch in the living room. ██████████ woke up during the night to find that Roger Fortier had pulled ██████████ penis out of his underwear and was "sucking on it". Fortier had pulled his own penis out of his shorts and was stroking it with his hand as he performed fellatio on ██████████. Waking up to this, ██████████ reacted by slapping Roger Fortier in the head with his hand. Fortier fell to the floor and ██████████ began screaming at him. Fortier then grabbed his chest with his hand "as if he was having a heart attack". Hearing the commotion, ██████████ came out of his bedroom to find out what was going on. Still in shock about what happened, ██████████ said to ██████████ that "nothing happened" and then asked to be left alone.

██████████ struggled with his situation for several months, feeling suicidal and turning to drugs and alcohol for relief. ██████████ ended up calling the Derry Police Department to report the incident, he said, but he felt he was "blown off" because they asked him if he "could prove that it happened". Feeling that he would not be believed, ██████████ did not pursue the matter with the Police. Instead, ██████████ made a call to the church in which Fortier was serving as a priest. Although he could not recall the name of the church, ██████████ knew that it was on the west side of Manchester, NH. He was "blown off again", however, as the person who answered the phone did not seem interested in hearing what he had to say. ██████████ could not remember who he spoke with at that church, although he did learn at the time that Fortier had been transferred to another church. As a final attempt to correct the situation, ██████████ made his way to the parents of the "altar boy" mentioned earlier in this report, to alert them about Fortier's actions and the possibility of their son being a victim. At that point, ██████████ felt that he'd done all he could and he tried to move on with his life.

After the incident with Roger Fortier took place, ██████████ eventually told ██████████ what happened but ██████████ did not react. All he said to ██████████ was "he's my friend" and ██████████ realized at that point that ██████████ was not going to help him. It was very soon after that that Roger Fortier stopped coming to the house and ██████████ moved away, and ██████████ moved in with a woman named ██████████ who lived ██████████. ██████████ had met ██████████ while living with ██████████ and she agreed to support ██████████ until he could get on his feet. ██████████ eventually began a romantic relationship that lasted for a brief period of time. It should be noted that at this point, I questioned ██████████ about ██████████ asking if ██████████ had ever been involved in sexually abusing children etc. ██████████ told me without hesitation that he had no information to suggest that ██████████ had done anything like that and that ██████████ seemed very decent to me". Although ██████████ and Roger Fortier were very close, ██████████ was unaware of any type of homosexual relationship between the two, though he speculated that it could be possible. The entire incident involving Roger Fortier had been a surprise to ██████████ he said, as he had never known either ██████████ or Roger Fortier to be gay. The two men always watched heterosexual pornography and never acted openly gay, and ██████████ never knew of any child sexual abuse that was committed by either of them prior to his own incident involving Roger Fortier.

Prior to ending the interview, I questioned ██████████ about other boys who spent time at ██████████ home ██████████ in Derry. ██████████ was unaware of any other kids who frequented the residence during the time that he lived there, other than his own friends mentioned earlier in this report. I mentioned several names to ██████████ including ██████████ and ██████████

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██████████ knew of both subjects from Derry, NH, he said, but he was not aware that they had spent any time at ██████████ home.

At that point, I ended the interview with ██████████ and explained to him that he would be contacted in the near future regarding follow-up in this case. ██████████ reiterated the fact that he was very nervous about testifying in this case, based on his last experience in Strafford County ██████████ felt that things had gone well in that case, but he had an extremely difficult time recovering from the trauma of speaking publicly about his abuse. To do so again might be too much for him, he said, but he does plan to prepare himself to testify should he be asked to do so in the future. As a final note, ██████████ provided the names of his counselors. ██████████ saw a ██████████ from Derry/Portsmouth for years as a child, then saw a ██████████ from Portsmouth, NH for many years as an adult. ██████████ is not currently in counseling at this time.

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ON 8-29-84 THOMAS CHECKED LOCAL FILES OF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] OF [REDACTED] THIS ONLY INFO ON FILE DATED BACK  
TO 3/74 - 6/74 WHEN [REDACTED] PURCHASED 3 FIREARMS. THE  
WEAPONS ARE:

- WALTER PPK. .380
- RUGER 6" BBL. .22
- ASTRA 3" BBL. .357

A LIST OF ALL AVAILABLE INFO. WAS OBTAINED ON [REDACTED]  
TO INCLUDE:

- MOTOR VEHICLE RECORD CHECK
- LICENSE CHECK
- N.C.I.C.
- CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK

ALL DOCUMENTATION IS ATTACHED. NO CRIMINAL RECORD  
IN FILE - NO M.V. RECORD - VALID N.H. LICENSE - NCIC NEGATIVE.

AT 1400 HRS. A VEHICLE WAS NOTED AT [REDACTED] TRP.  
IT WAS N.H. REG. 915889 A 1978 CHEVY STEPSIDE P/U COLOR  
BLACK & BROWN. IT IS LISTED TO [REDACTED]  
4-14-55 OF 3 MITCHELL AVE. [REDACTED] MAY BE  
[REDACTED] ROOMMATE.

THOMAS NOTED ALL DOORS & WINDOWS OPEN AT THIS TIME

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ON 8-29-81 AT 1500 HRS. THOMAS RESEARCHED ALL OBTAIN  
ABLE INFO. ON [REDACTED] ON [REDACTED]  
INFO REQUESTED WAS

M.V. RECORD CHECK

LICENSE CHECK

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CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK.

NCIC CAME BACK NEGATIVE. M.V. RECORD INDICATES NO  
DRIVER HISTORY.

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ON 8-29-84 @ 2005 HRS THOMAS ATTEMPTED A SURVEILLANCE AT THE [REDACTED] RES. ON [REDACTED] HE OBSERVED A VEHICLE IN THE DRIVEWAY.

N.H. REG. [REDACTED] - ROGER A FORTIER 90-1-4  
1981 DATSUN - COPPER 117 YOUVILLE ST.  
VEHICLE IS A 2 DR. H/B MANCHESTER

THOMAS WAS IN THE AREA FOR 45 MINUTES. HE OBSERVED THE HOUSE TO BE FULLY LIT INSIDE WITH ALL CURTAINS OPEN. NOBODY WAS VISIBLE THROUGH THE WINDOWS. THE TELEPHONE RANG AT 2030 HRS. IT RANG APPR. 20 TIMES AND WAS NOT ANSWERED. [REDACTED] VEHICLE WAS IN THE DRIVEWAY. THOMAS CONCLUDED THAT NO ONE WAS HOME AND LEFT THE AREA.

ON 8-30-84 AT 0640 HRS THOMAS CHECKED [REDACTED] RES. AND OBTAINED A LISTING ON HIS VEHICLE  
N.H. REG. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
4 DR. BLUE

ISSUE DATE WAS 07/24/84 SHOWING AN ADDRESS OF [REDACTED] N.H. WITH A MAILING ADDRESS OF [REDACTED] DERRY

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ON 7-30-84 AT 10:00 HRS THOMAS WENT TO HUDSON,  
 AS CHECKED THE ADDRESS OF [REDACTED] THERE IS A  
 SMALL WHITE HOUSE, Cape style, WITH A SINGLE CAR GARAGE  
 ATTACHED TO THE LEFT SIDE, DARK BLUE OR BLACK TRIM.  
 THE LAWN APPEARS TO NOT HAVE BEEN MOWED FOR AN  
 EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME. THERE WERE SHADES, CURTAINS  
 IN THE WINDOWS AND HOUSE APPEARED TO BE INHABITED.  
 A SMALL SILVER CAR WAS PARKED IN THE GARAGE  
 WHOSE DOOR WAS ROLLED UP. THE CAR WAS BEARING  
 N.H. REG. [REDACTED]

A CHECK WITH MANCHESTER P.D. ON [REDACTED] & FORTIER  
 SHOWED NOTHING ON FILE 8-30-84 @ 12:10 HRS.

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ON 8-30-84 AT 12:11 HRS THOMAS CONDUCTED A BRIEF SURVEILLANCE OF [REDACTED] RES. AT [REDACTED] HE OBSERVED A MOTORCYCLE IN THE DRIVEWAY.

N.H. M.C. REG. [REDACTED]

1983 HONDA 1000-BLK

LISTED TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS NOT OBSERVED ON THIS DATE. [REDACTED] WAS OBSERVED WASHING WINDOWS ON THE WEST SIDE OF HIS RES. OVERLOOKING THOMAS' SURVEILLANCE POST. A SHORT TIME LATER [REDACTED] CAME OUT OF HIS HOUSE ALONE AND VISITED A NEIGHBOR ACROSS AT MITCHELL AVE. AT THIS TIME (12:45 HRS) SURVEILLANCE WAS TERMINATED.

ON 8-30-84 AT 1305 HRS THOMAS CHECKED THE [REDACTED] RES. ON [REDACTED] HE OBSERVED THE COPPER COLORED DATSUN IN THE SAME LOCATION IT HAD BEEN ON 8-29-84 AT 2030 HRS. A STEREO WAS PLAYING LOUDLY INSIDE THE HOUSE. DUE TO GLARE, NO OBSERVATIONS WERE MADE OF FRONT WINDOWS.

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ON 8-30-84 @ 2000 HRS THOMAS CHECKED THE [REDACTED] RES. [REDACTED] VEHICLE WAS NOT IN THE YARD. SILHOUETTES BY THE INTERIOR LIGHTING THOMAS OBSERVED A MALE SUBJECT APPR 20'S Y.P.A. SEATED ON A CHAIR BY THE FRONT DOOR. HE HAD DARK HAIR CUT OVER EARS SLIGHTLY. HE WAS WEARING NO SHIRT. THOMAS OBSERVED A SECOND MALE SEATED ACROSS THE ROOM BY WHAT APPEARED TO BE A T.V. SET. THIS MAN APPEARED OLDER THAN THE FIRST APPR 40 Y.O.A. (N.F.D) BOTH APPEARED TO BE WATCHING T.V.

ON 8-30-84 AT APPR. 2010 HRS. THOMAS CONDUCTED A SURVEILLANCE OF THE [REDACTED] HOUSE. THE ONLY LIGHTS ON IN THE HOUSE WERE IN THE LIVING ROOM. DUE TO DISTANCE FROM THE HOUSE THOMAS DID NOT HEAR WHAT WAS GOING ON, BUT BELIEVED THAT [REDACTED] WAS WATCHING T.V. ALSO. HE GOT UP FROM A CHAIR IN THE LIVING ROOM, WALKED ACROSS THE ROOM OUT OF SIGHT BRIEFLY (60 SEC.) THEN WENT BACK & SAT DOWN. VEH'S IN THE YARD WERE [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] PICK-UP. [REDACTED] WAS NOT OBSERVED. DURING THE TWO HOUR PERIOD THOMAS WATCHED THE RESIDENCE NO ONE ENTERED OR LEFT THE HOUSE.

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ON 8-31-84 AT 11:00 HRS THOMAS OBSERVED A GOLD PLYMOUTH PARKED IN FRONT OF [REDACTED] HOUSE [REDACTED] OF [REDACTED] THE VEHICLE WAS UNOCCUPIED.

[REDACTED] VEHICLE WAS ALSO AT THE RESIDENCE.

AT 12:00 HRS THOMAS LEFT THE AREA TO CHECK SOMETHING ELSE. UPON HIS RETURN HE FOUND [REDACTED]

TO HAVE LEFT THE RES IN HIS BLUE MONTE CARLO. THE GOLD CAR REMAINED.

THE PLYMOUTH WAS A 1968 SATELLITE 4 DOOR BARIING. N.H. REG. [REDACTED] A CHECK OF THE LISTING SHOWED THE CAR TO BELONG TO [REDACTED] OF [REDACTED] AVE. [REDACTED] WAS NOT OBSERVED,

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ON 8-30-84 @ 1817 HRS THOMAS LOCATED DION EXITING HOOD PLAZA ONTO CRYSTAL AVE. [REDACTED] WAS DRIVING HIS BLUE MONTE CARLO & WAS ALONE AT THIS TIME. [REDACTED] DROVE TO HIS RESIDENCE AND WENT INSIDE. THE TRUCK BELONGING TO [REDACTED] WAS ALSO IN THE YARD.

AT 1830 THE PICKUP TRUCK LEFT THE TRIP AND DROVE OUT TOWARD CRYSTAL AVE. VIA LINCOLN ST.

AT 1853, A SMALL SILVER CAR POSSIBLY A V.W. RABBIT OR SIMILAR VEHICLE TURNED ONTO MITCHELL AVE. THOMAS OBTAINED A POSSIBLE PLATE NUMBER NH [REDACTED]. A LATER CHECK SHOWED THE PLATE TO BE INACCURATE. DUE TO LIGHTING CONDITIONS THOMAS COULD NOT SEE WHO WAS INSIDE THE SILVER CAR OR HOW MANY OCCUPANTS IT HAD. THE CAR DROVE INTO [REDACTED] DRIVEWAY AND OCCUPANT(S) IMMEDIATELY WENT INSIDE. AT 1902 THE CAR LEFT [REDACTED].

AT 1910, [REDACTED] GOT INTO HIS CAR AND DROVE OUT INTO FRANKLIN ST. & WENT IN AN UNKNOWN DIRECTION. THOMAS WALKED BACK TO HIS VEH. & THEN CHECKED THE AREA.

AT 1925 HRS THOMAS RELOCATED [REDACTED] VEHICLE AT DEARBY'S FUNERAL HOME ON THE NORTH AVE PORTION OF THE PARKING LOT. THE CAR WAS UNOCCUPIED. AT 8:10 HRS DION WALKED FROM

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THE FUNERAL HOME TO HIS CAR. HE DROVE ONTO  
RAILROAD AVE. FROM NORTH AVE. THEN DROVE EAST ON  
EAST BROADWAY. THOMAS ATTEMPTED TO FOLLOW BUT  
WAS UNABLE, DUE TO HEAVY TRAFFIC.

THOMAS WAITED IN AREA OF [REDACTED] RES. BUT [REDACTED]  
DID NOT RETURN.

ON 8-31-84 AT 1215 HRS THOMAS CHECKED THE  
[REDACTED] RES. FOR ACTIVITY. HE OBSERVED A  
1972 BUICK [REDACTED] BEARING NH REG [REDACTED] PARKED  
IN FRONT OF [REDACTED] RES. NOBODY WAS OUTSIDE  
THE HOUSE BUT A STEREO WAS PLAYING FROM INSIDE.  
A CHECK OF THE RES. AT APPROX 1800 SHOWED THE  
CAR TO STILL BE THERE.

[REDACTED] DID NOT GO TO WORK ON 8-31-84 AND  
HIS CAR WAS NOTED IN THE YARD THROUGHOUT THE DAY

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On 09/03/84 approx 0800hrs an unknown woman approached Officer Napoli at Convenient Food Mart and told him about suspicious activity by [REDACTED]. This woman stated that a neighbor of hers named [REDACTED], former owner of [REDACTED], had [REDACTED] at his residence and that at approx 2300hrs. the house is "lit up like a Christmas tree" [REDACTED]. This woman stated that young teen age boys frequent the house and that a Catholic priest which she believed was formerly assigned to Saint Thomas parish in Derry is often there. She suspects homo sexual activity takes place at that residence. She has observed cases of beer being brought into the house on several occasions. This woman also stated that her neighbors are aware of what is going on but are afraid to get involved.

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