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11 **IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF GUAM**

12 ANTHONY J. VEGAFRIA,

13 Plaintiff,

14 v.

15 ROMAN CATHOLIC
16 ARCHBISHOP OF AGANA, a Corporation
17 sole;
18 LOUIS BROUILLARD, an individual; DOE
19 ENTITIES 1-5; and DOE-INDIVIDUALS 6-
20 50, inclusive

21 Defendants.

CIVIL CASE NO. **CV 1051-16**

**VERIFIED COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES
FOR**

1. **Child Sexual Abuse**
2. **Negligence**
3. **Negligent Supervision**
4. **Negligent Hiring and Retention**
5. **Breach of Fiduciary Duty /
Confidential Relationship**

22 Plaintiff Anthony J. Vegafria (“Anthony”) files this Complaint for damages based on prior sexual
23 abuse (the “Complaint”) against Defendants Archbishop of Agana, a corporation sole, Louis Brouillard, an
24 individual, and DOES 1-50 (“Defendants”).

25 **I.**
26 **JURISDICTION**

- 27 1. This Court has jurisdiction pursuant to 7 GCA § 3105.

28 **II.**
29 **PARTIES**

30 2. At all times relevant hereto, Anthony has been and is an individual who resides in Inarajan, Guam.
31 Anthony is currently 56-years old.

32 3. At all times relevant hereto, and upon information and belief, Roman Catholic Archbishop of
33 Agana, a corporation sole, in accordance with the discipline and government of the Roman Catholic

1 Church, is the legal name for Defendant Archbishop of Agana, also known as Archdiocese of Agana.
2 (“Agana Archdiocese”), which is and has been at all times relevant hereto a non-profit corporation
3 organized and existing under the laws of Guam, authorized to conduct business and conducting business in
4 Guam, with its principal place of business in Guam. Agana Archdiocese is responsible and liable in whole
5 or in part, directly or indirectly, for the wrongful acts complained of herein.
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7 4. At all times relevant hereto, Defendant Louis Brouillard (“Brouillard”), an individual and an agent
8 of the Agana Archdiocese, was a member of the clergy of the Agana Archdiocese, and a Catholic priest
9 working for the Agana Archdiocese. At all times relevant hereto, Defendant Brouillard was a resident of
10 Guam and is responsible and liable in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, for the wrongful acts
11 complained of herein. Defendant Brouillard currently resides in the mainland United States.
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13 5. Defendant-entities named herein as DOES 1 - 5, inclusive, are or at all times relevant hereto, were
14 insurance companies that provided general liability coverage and / or excess level liability coverage
15 pursuant to policies issued to the Agana Archdiocese and / or Roman Catholic Church of Guam. Defendant-
16 individuals named here-in as DOES 6-50, inclusive, are at all times relevant hereto, were agents,
17 employees, representatives and / or affiliated entities of the Agana Archdiocese and /or Roman Catholic
18 Church outside of Guam whose true names and capacities are unknown to Anthony who therefore sues
19 such defendants by such fictitious names, and who will amend the Complaint to show the true names and
20 capacities of each such Doe defendant when ascertained. DOES 6 -50 assisted, aided and abetted and / or
21 conspired with Brouillard and / or other members of the Agana Archdiocese to conceal, disguise, cover up,
22 and / or promote the wrongful acts complained of herein. As such, each such Doe is legally responsible in
23 some manner for the events, happenings, and / or tortious and unlawful conduct that caused the injuries and
24 damages alleged in this Complaint.
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26 6. Each defendant is the agent, servant and/or employee of other defendants, and each defendant was
27 acting within the course and scope of his, her or its authority as an agent, servant and/or employee of the
28 other defendants. Defendants, and each of them, are individuals, corporations, alter egos and partnerships of

1 each other and other entities which engaged in, joined in and conspired with the other wrongdoers in
2 carrying out the tortious and unlawful activities described in this Complaint; and defendants, each of them,
3 ratified the acts of the other defendants as described in this Complaint.

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5 **III.**
INTRODUCTORY ALLEGATIONS

6 7. In or about 1971, when Anthony was around the age of twelve (12), he met Brouillard during Boy
7 Scout activities. Brouillard insisted that Anthony and some of the other boy scouts become altar boys.
8 Brouillard enticed them by bragging about how he routinely gave the altar boys money, treated the altar
9 boys to dinner and took the altar boys to watch movies.

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11 8. From approximately 1971 to 1974, between the ages of twelve (12) and fifteen (15), Anthony was
12 an altar boy at the San Isidro Catholic Church of Malojloj ("Malojloj Parish"). At that time, Brouillard was
13 a priest at the Malojloj Parish.

14 9. During the period in which he served as an altar boy, Anthony was repeatedly sexually molested
15 and abused by Brouillard, including oral copulation.

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17 10. After mass, the altar boys, including Anthony, would occasionally go to the Carmelite Monastery
18 Convent ("Convent") in Malojloj, where Brouillard resided at the time. While at the Convent, he would be
19 subjected to the presence of Brouillard walking around completely naked, nonchalantly, smoking his pipe.
20 In some instances, Brouillard would fully expose his penis by hanging his penis from the hole in his boxer
21 shorts. In the presence of the minor boys, Brouillard routinely displayed and talked about pornography. On
22 many occasions, Brouillard gave the altar boys, including Anthony, the leftover wine from mass to drink
23 while they were watching television. While at the Convent, Brouillard sexually molested and abused
24 Anthony, including oral copulation. Brouillard also undressed some of the other altar boys and started to
25 masturbate them, and at the direction of Brouillard, some of the other altar boys had to masturbate
26 Brouillard. This happened on numerous occasions. Upon information and belief, other altar boys observed
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1 Brouillard sexually molest and abuse Anthony. Anthony also saw Brouillard sexually molest and abuse
2 other altar boys.

3 11. On many occasions, over a three-year period, in order to have ongoing access to Anthony for
4 sexual abuse purposes, Brouillard sought and obtained permissions from Anthony's parents to have
5 Anthony spend the night at Convent, using as an excuse that he did not want Anthony to be late to serve the
6 next day as altar boy during mass. Furthermore, in order to serve mass for special occasions such as
7 weddings, funerals, and baptisms, Brouillard required Anthony to sleep at the Convent. When Anthony
8 slept at the Convent, Brouillard sexually molested and abused him, including oral copulation. When
9 Anthony asked Brouillard to stop, Brouillard threatened Anthony by saying Anthony would no longer be
10 able to be an altar boy or participate in the activities.
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12 12. Brouillard's sexually predatory practices extended to his service as a Scout Master in the Guam
13 chapter of the Boy Scouts of America ("BSA"). Among Brouillard's sexually abusive practices while
14 serving as Scout Master, were weekly outings that he conducted in which he would take between ten (10) to
15 twelve (12) boys, including Anthony who was a Boy Scout, hiking, camping and swimming. During these
16 Boy Scout activities, Brouillard sexually molested and abused Anthony. On numerous occasions, while
17 swimming at the Inarajan Pool, Brouillard would swim completely naked instructing the boys to remove
18 their clothes, and in some instances Brouillard would pull off their shorts and throw it, fully exposing their
19 penises. While at the Inarajan Pool, Brouillard began to sexually molest and masturbate the boys, including
20 oral copulation. At the direction of Brouillard, the boys had to masturbate him.
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22 13. Anthony watched Brouillard sexually molest and abuse his friend who is now-deceased. Anthony
23 and his now-deceased friend repeatedly witnessed each other get molested. Additionally, although they
24 never spoke of it, Anthony believes Brouillard also sexually molested and abused Anthony's now-deceased
25 younger brother.
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27 14. On information and belief, other priests and representatives of the Agana Archdiocese, including
28 Bishop Apollinaris Baumgartner and individuals named herein as Doe defendants, were aware of the sexual

1 abuse committed by Brouillard and deliberately remained quiet and withheld such information from third
2 parties including victim's parents or guardians and law enforcements authorities, in order to protect
3 Brouillard and the Agana Archdiocese, thereby placing their loyalty above their duty to protect the minor
4 children and their legal responsibilities.
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6 15. On or about October 03, 2016, Brouillard released a signed statement admitting to sexually abusing
7 at least twenty (20) boys, a true and accurate copy of Brouillard's statement is attached hereto as Exhibit
8 "1". While the statement contains admissions, it also contains remarks that seek to minimize the misconduct
9 as reflected in the excerpts below:

- 10 a. "My name is Father Louis Brouillard. I am a retired Roman Catholic priest. ... I
11 served the diocese of Guam in the 1940s through 1970s and held many positions
12 in the church. "
- 13 b. "Looking back now, I realize that I crossed the line with some of my actions and
14 relationship with the boys.
- 15 c. "During some of the sex education talks, while at Santa Teresita, I did touch the
16 penises of some of the boys and some of the boys did perform oral sex on me.
17 Some of the incidents took place in Mangilao at the rectory of the Santa Teresita
18 Church. Because of the many years that have passed, I do not remember the exact
19 dates and times or the names of the boys involved. There may have been 20 or
20 more boys involved. Other locations where the sexual contact may have happened
21 would be at San Anthony and Father Duenas Memorial Schools.
- 22 d. "At that time, I did believe that the boys enjoyed the sexual contact and I also had
23 self gratification as well."
- 24 e. "I have come to learn the name of one of the boys I had sexual contact with at the
25 Santa Teresita rectory. His name is Leo Tudela. ... I apologize to you Leo and the
26 rest of the boys that I may have harmed. I regret with all my heart any wrong I did
27 to them. I pray for all the boys I may have harmed and ask for their forgiveness
28 from God."
- f. "While in Guam my actions were discussed and confessed to area priests as well
as Bishop Apollinaris Baumgartner who had approached me to talk about the
situation. I was told to try to do better and say prayers as a penance."
- g. "I believe the Catholic Church should be honest and truthful regarding what
happened on Guam during my time there."

1 16. At all times relevant hereto, Brouillard sexually abused and molested Anthony when Anthony was
2 a minor and committed such acts while serving as a priest in the Malojloj Parish, in both of his capacities as
3 an agent and employee of the Agana Archdiocese, who are vicariously liable for his actions.

4 17. The Agana Archdiocese and DOES 1-50, inclusive, knew that Brouillard had sexually abused and
5 molested Anthony, and rather than reporting the matter to law enforcement and without intervening so as to
6 prevent Brouillard from engaging in additional instances of sexual abuse, and without seeking to have
7 Brouillard acknowledge and take responsibility for his wrongful actions, they assisted Brouillard with the
8 specific purpose or design to keep Brouillard's misconduct hidden and secret; to hinder or prevent
9 Brouillard's apprehension and prosecution; and to protect the Agana Archdiocese, as well as the Roman
10 Catholic church as an international institution.

11 18. To this day, the Agana Archdiocese and DOES 1-50 never contacted Anthony, Anthony's family,
12 or children they know Brouillard had sexual contact with. The Agana Archdiocese and DOES 1-50 have
13 been content that any other children that were sexually abused by Brouillard while he was serving as a
14 priest, will remain affected by guilt, shame and emotional distress.

15 19. Despite the prolonged and egregious sexual abuse, spanning a period of several decades, neither the
16 Agana Archdiocese nor the Roman Catholic Church ever formally disciplined Brouillard and in fact have
17 paid and continued to pay up through present time, sums of money to Brouillard on a regular basis,
18 ostensibly under the guise of a retirement stipend.

19 20. The criminal offense of Child Abuse is defined in 9 GCA § 31.30, which states in pertinent part as
20 follows:

21 (a) A person is guilty of child abuse when:

- 22 (1) he subjects a child to cruel mistreatment; or
23 (2) having a child in his care or custody or under his control, he:

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25 (B) subjects that child to cruel mistreatment; or

26 (C) unreasonably causes or permits the physical or, emotional health of
27 that child to be endangered
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1 21. Under 9 GCA § 25.15 the crime of First Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct with regard to a child is
2 set forth in pertinent parts as follows:

3 (a) A person is guilty of criminal sexual conduct in the first degree if he or she
4 engages in sexual penetration with the victim and if any of the following
5 circumstances exists:

- 6 (1) the victim is under fourteen (14) years of age;
7 (2) the victim is at least fourteen (14) but less than sixteen (16) years of age and the
8 actor is a member of the same household as the victim, the actor is related to the
9 victim by blood or affinity to the fourth degree to the victim, or the actor is in a
10 position of authority over the victim and used this authority to coerce the victim to
11 submit.

12 22. Under 19 GCA § 13101, the following relevant definitions are provided:

13 * * *
14 (b) Abused or neglected child means a child whose physical or mental health or
15 welfare is harmed or threatened with harm by the acts or omissions of the
16 person(s) responsible for the child's welfare;

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18 (d) Child means a person under the age of 18 years;

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20 (t) Harm to a child's physical health or welfare occurs in a case where there exists
21 evidence of injury, including but not limited to:

- 22 * * *
23 (2) Any case where the child has been the victim of a sexual offense as defined
24 in the Criminal and Correctional Code; or
25 (3) Any case where there exists injury to the psychological capacity of a child
26 such as failure to thrive, extreme mental distress, or gross emotional or
27 verbal degradation as is evidenced by an observable and substantial
28 impairment in the child's ability to function within a normal range of
performance with due regard to the child's culture.(.)

29 23. Under 9 GCA § 25A201, "sexual conduct" with a minor is defined as follows:

30 (o) Sexual Conduct means acts of sexual penetration, sexual contact, masturbation,
31 bestiality, sexual penetration, deviate sexual intercourse, sadomasochistic abuse,
32 or lascivious exhibition of the genital or pubic area of a minor.

33 24. Under 9 GCA § 25.10(8), "sexual contact" is defined as follows:

34 (8) Sexual Contact includes the intentional touching of the victim's or actor's
35 intimate parts or the intentional touching of the clothing covering the
36 immediate area of the victim's or actor's intimate parts, if that intentional
37 touching can reasonably be construed as being for the purpose of sexual
38 arousal or gratification.

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2 25. Under 9 GCA § 25.10(9), "sexual penetration" is defined as follows:

3 (9) Sexual Penetration means sexual intercourse, cunnilingus, fellatio, anal
4 intercourse or any other intrusion, however slight, of any part of a person's
5 body or of any object into the genital or anal openings of another person's
6 body, but emissions see is not required.

7 26. Under 9 GCA § 25.20, the crime of Second Degree Criminal Sexual Misconduct with regard to a
8 child is set forth in pertinent part as follows:

9 (a) A person is guilty of criminal sexual conduct in the second degree if the person
10 engages in sexual contact with another person and if any of the following
11 circumstances exists:

- 12 (1) that other person is under fourteen (14) years of age;
13 (2) that other person is at least fourteen (14) but less than sixteen (16) years of
14 age and the actor is a member of the same household as the victim, or is
15 related by blood or affinity to the fourth degree to the victim, or is in a
16 position of authority over the victim and the actor used this authority to
17 coerce the victim to submit.

18 27. Under 19 GCA § 13201(b), the following are required to report child abuse:

19 (b) Persons required to report suspected child abuse under Subsection (a)
20 include, but are not limited to, ... clergy member of any religious faith, or
21 other similar functionary or employee of any church, place of worship, or
22 other religious organization whose primary duties consist of teaching,
23 spreading the faith, church governance, supervision of a religious order, or
24 supervision or participation in religious ritual and worship, ...

25 **IV.**
26 **FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION**

27 **Child Sexual Abuse**
28 **[Against Defendant Brouillard]**

29 28. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 27 of this Complaint as if
30 fully set forth herein.

31 29. Brouillard committed the offense of Second Degree Criminal Sexual Misconduct, as set forth in 9
32 GCA § 25.20, by engaging in sexual contact with Anthony when Anthony was under fourteen (14) years of
33 age and when Anthony was between the ages of 14 and 16 and Brouillard, in his position as a priest, was in
34 a position of authority over Anthony and Brouillard used this authority to coerce Anthony to submit.

1 30. Brouillard also committed the offense of Child Abuse, as set forth in 9 GCA § 31.30 by subjecting
2 Anthony to cruel mistreatment, including but not limited to having Anthony, who was a child at the time
3 pursuant to 19 GCA § 13101(d), under his care, custody or control, unreasonably caused or permitted the
4 physical or emotional health of the child to be endangered.

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6 31. As a direct and proximate consequence of Brouillard's misconduct, Anthony was an abused or
7 neglected child within the meaning of 19 GCA § 13101(b) because his physical or mental health or welfare
8 was and continues to be harmed by the acts or omissions of Brouillard, who was responsible for the child's
9 welfare. Moreover, as Brouillard's misconduct constitutes the commission of one or more criminal
10 offenses, Anthony has suffered harm to a child's physical health or welfare within the meaning of 19 GCA
11 § 13101(t)(2) because Anthony was the victim of a sexual offense as defined in the Criminal and
12 Correctional Code (9 GCA).

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14 32. As a direct and proximate consequence of Brouillard's misconduct, Anthony has suffered, and
15 continues to suffer, great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical manifestations of
16 emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of enjoyment of life;
17 and have incurred and / or will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological treatment, therapy
18 and counseling.

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20 33. By engaging in the conduct described herein, Brouillard acted with malice, oppression, and/or
21 fraud, entitling Anthony to exemplary and punitive damages.

22 **V.**
SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

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24 **Child Sexual Abuse**
[Against Defendants Agana Archdiocese and DOES 6 – 50]

25 34. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 33 of this Complaint as if
26 fully set forth herein.

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28 35. Defendants Agana Archdiocese and DOES 6 - 50 (collectively "Defendants" as alleged in this
cause of action) are vicariously liable for the sexual abuse committed upon Anthony by Brouillard. Public

1 policy dictates that Defendants should be held responsible for Brouillard's wrongful conduct under the
2 theory commonly referred to as *Respondeat Superior*.

3 36. For the reasons set forth in the incorporated paragraphs of this Complaint, the sexual abuse of
4 Anthony arose from and was incidental to Brouillard's employment with the Agana Archdiocese, and while
5 Brouillard, was acting within the scope of his employment with the Agana Archdiocese at the time he
6 committed the acts of sexual abuse, which were foreseeable to Defendants.
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8 37. Defendants ratified and / or approved of Brouillard's sexual abuse by failing to adequately
9 investigate, discharge, discipline and / or supervise Brouillard and other priests known by Defendants to
10 have sexually abused children, or to have been accused of sexually abusing children; by concealing
11 evidence of Brouillard's sexual abuse; failing to intervene to prevent ongoing and / or further sexual abuse;
12 by failing to report the sexual abuse as required under 19 GCA 13201(b); by allowing Brouillard to
13 continue in service as a Catholic priest working for the Agana Archdiocese.
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15 38. Despite the pretense of policies and procedures to investigate and address instances of child sexual
16 abuse by priests, Defendants in fact implemented such policies and procedures for no other purpose than to
17 avoid scandal, maintain secrecy and preserve loyalty to fellow clergy, including child molesting clergy,
18 rather than the protection of children. Such hypocritical conduct by Defendants has served to
19 systematically encourage, perpetuate and promote sexually abusive conduct by priests in the Agana
20 Archdiocese.
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22 39. Defendants either had actual knowledge of Brouillard's sexual abuse of Anthony, or could have
23 and should have reasonably foreseen that Brouillard would commit sexual abuse to Anthony in the course
24 of his employment as a priest in the Malojloj Parish, as an agent and employee of the Agana Archdiocese.
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26 40. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' above – described conduct, Anthony has
27 suffered, and continues to suffer, great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical
28 manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of

1 enjoyment of life; and has incurred and / or will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological
2 treatment, therapy and counseling.

3 41. By engaging in the conduct described herein, Defendants acted with malice, oppression, and/or
4 fraud, entitling Anthony to exemplary and punitive damages.
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6 **VI.**
THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

7 **Negligence**
8 **[Against All Defendants]**

9 42. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 41 of this Complaint as if
10 fully set forth herein.

11 43. Defendants Brouillard, Agana Archdiocese and DOES 6 - 50 (collectively "Defendants" as alleged
12 in this cause of action) had a duty to protect Anthony when he was entrusted to Brouillard's care by
13 Anthony's parents. Anthony's care, welfare, and / or physical custody were temporarily entrusted to
14 Defendants, and Defendants accepted the entrusted care of Anthony. As such, Defendants owed Anthony,
15 as a child at the time, a special duty of care, in addition to a duty of ordinary care, and owed Anthony the
16 higher duty of care that adults dealing with children owe to protect them from harm.
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18 44. By virtue of his unique authority and position as a Roman Catholic priest, Brouillard was able to
19 identify vulnerable victims and their families upon which he could perform such sexual abuse; to
20 manipulate his authority to procure compliance with his sexual demands from his victims; to induce the
21 victims to continue to allow the abuse; and to coerce them not to report it to any other persons or
22 authorities. As a priest, Brouillard had unique access to a position of authority within Roman Catholic
23 families like the family of Anthony. Such access, authority and reverence was known to the Defendants and
24 encouraged by them.
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26 45. Defendants, by and through their agents, servants and employees, knew or reasonably should have
27 known of Brouillard's sexually abusive and exploitative propensities and / or that Brouillard was an unfit
28 agent. It was foreseeable that if Defendants did not adequately exercise or provide the duty of care owed to

1 children in their care, including but not limited to Anthony, the children entrusted to Defendants' care
2 would be vulnerable to sexual abuse by Brouillard.

3 46. Defendants breached their duty of care to the minor Anthony by allowing Brouillard to come into
4 contact with Anthony as a child without supervision; by failing to adequately supervise, or negligently
5 retaining Brouillard whom they permitted and enabled to have access to Anthony; by failing to properly
6 investigate; by failing to inform or concealing from Anthony's parents, guardians, or law enforcement
7 officials that Brouillard was or may have been sexually abusing minors; by holding out Brouillard to
8 Anthony's parents or guardians, and to the community of Guam at large, as being in good standing and
9 trustworthy as a person of stature and integrity. Defendants cloaked within the facade of normalcy
10 Brouillard's contact with Anthony and / or with other minors who were victims of Brouillard, and
11 deliberately concealed and disguised the sexual abuse committed by Brouillard.
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14 47. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' above – described conduct, Anthony has
15 suffered, and continues to suffer, great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical
16 manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of
17 enjoyment of life; and have incurred and / or will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological
18 treatment, therapy and counseling.

19 48. By engaging in the conduct described herein, Defendants acted with malice, oppression, and/or
20 fraud, entitling Anthony to exemplary and punitive damages.
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22 **VII.**
FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

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24 **Negligent Supervision**
[Against Defendants Agana Archdiocese and DOES 6 – 50]

25 49. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 48 of this Complaint as if
26 fully set forth herein.

27 50. Defendants Agana Archdiocese and DOES 6 - 50 (collectively “Defendants” as alleged in this
28 cause of action) had a duty to provide reasonable supervision of both Brouillard and minor child Anthony;

1 to use reasonable care in investigating Brouillard; and to provide adequate warning to Anthony's family,
2 and to families of other children who were entrusted to Brouillard, of Brouillard's sexually abusive and
3 exploitative propensities and unfitness.

4 51. Defendants, by and through their agents, servants and employees, knew or reasonably should have
5 known of Brouillard's sexually abusive and exploitative propensities and/or that Brouillard was an unfit
6 agent. Despite such knowledge, Defendants negligently failed to supervise Brouillard in his position of trust
7 and authority as a parish priest, where he was able to commit the wrongful acts against Anthony alleged
8 herein. Defendants failed to provide reasonable supervision of Brouillard, failed to use reasonable care in
9 investigating Brouillard, and failed to provide adequate warning to Anthony's family regarding Brouillard's
10 sexually abusive and exploitative propensities and unfitness. Defendants further failed to take reasonable
11 measures to prevent future sexual abuse.
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13 52. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' above – described conduct, Anthony has
14 suffered, and continues to suffer, great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical
15 manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of
16 enjoyment of life; and have incurred and / or will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological
17 treatment, therapy and counseling.
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19 53. By engaging in the conduct described herein, Defendants acted with malice, oppression, and/or
20 fraud, entitling Anthony to exemplary and punitive damages.
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22 **VIII.**
FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

23 **Negligent Hiring And Retention**
24 **[Against Defendants Agana Archdiocese and DOES 6 - 50]**

25 54. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 53 of this Complaint as if
26 fully set forth herein.
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1 55. Defendants Agana Archdiocese and DOES 6 - 50 (collectively "Defendants" as alleged in this
2 cause of action) had a duty not to hire and / or retain Brouillard in light of his sexually abusive and
3 exploitative propensities.

4 56. Defendants, by and through their agents, servants and employees, knew or reasonably should have
5 known of Brouillard's sexually abusive and exploitative propensities and / or that Brouillard was an unfit
6 agent. Despite such knowledge and / or an opportunity to learn of Brouillard's misconduct, Defendants
7 negligently hired and retained Brouillard in his position of trust and authority as a parish priest, where he
8 was able to commit the wrongful acts against Anthony alleged herein. Defendants failed to properly
9 evaluate Brouillard's application for employment by failing to conduct necessary screening; failed to
10 properly evaluate Brouillard's conduct and performance as an employee of Defendants; and failed to
11 exercise the due diligence incumbent upon employers to investigate employee misconduct, or to take
12 appropriate disciplinary action, including immediate termination and reporting and referral of Brouillard's
13 sexual abuse to appropriate authorities. Defendants negligently continued to retain Brouillard in service as
14 a Catholic priest, working for Defendants, which enabled him to continue engaging in the sexually abusive
15 and predatory behavior described herein.

16 57. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' above – described conduct, Anthony has
17 suffered, and continues to suffer, great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical
18 manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of
19 enjoyment of life; and have incurred and / or will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological
20 treatment, therapy and counseling.

21 58. By engaging in the conduct described herein, Defendants acted with malice, oppression, and/or
22 fraud, entitling Anthony to exemplary and punitive damages.
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1 IX.
2 SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

3 **Breach of Fiduciary Duty And / Or Confidential Relationship**
4 **[Against All Defendants]**

5 59. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 58 of this Complaint as if
6 fully set forth herein.

7 60. By holding Brouillard out as a qualified priest and a person of stature and integrity within the
8 Catholic Archdiocese, Defendants Agana Archdiocese and DOES 6 - 50, together with Brouillard himself,
9 invited, counseled, encouraged and induced the Catholic community of Guam, including parents or
10 guardians of children, and particularly parents or guardians of children serving as altar boys and children
11 eligible to serve as altar boys, to have trust and confidence in the Agana Archdiocese and its priests and to
12 entrust their children to the company of priests and specifically to Brouillard, including allowing their
13 children to be alone with Brouillard without supervision, and to spend nights at a church facility where
14 Brouillard resided. Through such actions, Defendants collectively created and entered into a fiduciary and /
15 or confidential relationship with its parishioners, including Catholic parents or guardians and their children,
16 and in particular, children who provided services to the Agana Archdiocese that included serving as altar
17 boys. Accordingly, Defendants collectively created and entered into a fiduciary and / or confidential
18 relationship specifically with the minor child Anthony.
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21 61. Through such fiduciary and / or confidential relationship, Defendants collectively caused parents or
22 guardians to entrust their children to priests, and specifically to Brouillard, including the parents of
23 Anthony, which resulted in Anthony serving as an altar boy and spending one or more nights at a church
24 facility where Brouillard resided, resulting in the subject acts of sexual abuse described herein.

25 62. Defendants collectively breached their fiduciary and / or confidential relationship with the minor
26 child Anthony by violating the trust and confidence placed in them by parishioners and specifically by the
27 minor child Anthony, and by engaging in the wrongful acts described in this Complaint.
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1 63. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' above – described conduct, Anthony has
2 suffered, and continues to suffer, great pain of mind and body, shock, emotional distress, physical
3 manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, disgrace, humiliation, and loss of
4 enjoyment of life; and have incurred and / or will continue to incur expenses for medical and psychological
5 treatment, therapy and counseling.

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7 64. By engaging in the conduct described herein, Defendants acted with malice, oppression, and/or
8 fraud, entitling Anthony to exemplary and punitive damages.

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REQUEST FOR RELIEF

11 WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Anthony J. Vegafria requests judgment against all Defendants on all counts as
12 follows:

- 13 1. For all general damages, in a sum to be proven at trial;
 - 14 2. For all special damages, in a sum to be proven at trial;
 - 15 3. For exemplary and punitive damages as allowed by law and in a sum to be proven at trial;
 - 16 4. For costs and fees incurred herein;
 - 17 5. Attorneys' fees, as permitted by law; and
 - 18 6. For other such and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.
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DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff Anthony J. Vegafria, through his counsel, David J. Lujan, hereby demands a jury trial of six (6) in the above-entitled action.

The amount in controversy between the parties herein exceeds the amount of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00).

DATED: November 28, 2016

Respectfully Submitted,



DAVID J. LUJAN,
Attorney for Plaintiff,
Anthony J. Vegafria

VERIFICATION

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2 ANTHONY J. VEGAFRIA, declares and states that he is the PLAINTIFF in the foregoing
3 COMPLAINT; that he has read said VERIFIED COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES and knows the
4 contents thereof to be true and correct, except as to the matters which may have been stated upon
5 her information and belief; and as to those matters, he believes them to be true.
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7 I declare, under penalty of perjury, this 28 day of NOV, 2016, that the
8 foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
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12 ANTHONY J. VEGAFRIA
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My name is Father Louis Brouillard. I am a retired Roman Catholic priest. I reside at 525 9th St. Southwest, apartment #2, Pine City Minnesota. Today is October 3rd, 2016. I am making this video at my residence and do so of my own free will.

While on Guam and the surrounding area, I helped many and assisted with numerous projects for the good of the people. During this time, I also may have offended some people there and wish to explain.

I am making this video to reach out to the parishioners of the Archdiocese of Guam, and anyone I may have harmed, to ask forgiveness for actions done by me many years ago.

I served the diocese of Guam in the 1940s through the 1970s and held many positions in the church. Two of the jobs I had were managing the Boy Scouts, where I served as President for the Scouts on Guam, my church was the Santa Teresita Church in Mangilao, and one of the other jobs was teaching sexual education to the boys in the parish.

Looking back now, I realize that I crossed the line with some of my actions and relationships with the boys.

During some of the sex education talks, while at Santa Teresita, I did touch the penises of some of the boys and some of the boys did perform oral sex on me. Some of these incidents took place in Mangilao at the rectory of the Santa Teresita Church. Because of the many years that have passed, I do not remember the exact dates and times or the names of the boys involved. There may have been 20 or more boys involved. Other locations where the sexual contact may have happened would be at San Vicente and Father Duenas Memorial Schools.

At that time, I did believe that the boys enjoyed the sexual contact and I also had self gratification as well.

I have come to learn the name of one of the boys I had sexual contact with at the Santa Teresita rectory. His name is Leo Tudela he is from the Island of Salpan. I apologize to you Leo and the rest of the boys that I may have harmed. I regret

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with all my heart any wrong I did to them. I pray for all the boys I may have harmed and ask for their forgiveness and for forgiveness from God.

While in Guam my actions were discussed and confessed to area priests as well as Bishop Apollinaris Baumgartner who had approached me to talk about the situation. I was told to try to do better and say prayers as a penance.

I believe the Catholic Church should be honest and truthful regarding what happened on Guam during my time there.

Again, I ask forgiveness from God and from anyone I have offended while serving in Guam. May God bless you all and I ask for your prayers.

I, Louis Brouillard, having read the foregoing approve and acknowledge my statement, the truthfulness of the claims made herein and that I have made this statement completely of my own free will in an effort to atone for my sexual transgressions involving children from Guam and Saipan and to promote healing and closure for the victims of those transgressions.

 10/03/2016 ✓

LOUIS BROUILLARD

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