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From: Haselberger, Jennifer
Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2012 6:55 PM
To: Eisenzimmer, Andrew
Cc: Accurso, James; Mealey, Sarah; Laird, Fr Peter; Beatty, Rita
Subject: RE: reworked Adamson statement

Then please also let the record reflect my concern that when we cause this erroneous information to be published, people make decisions based upon it. Those people include our parish trustees, our corporate board, decision makers at our Catholic schools and institutions, and others who have fiduciary and oversight responsibilities. Those people also include, even more importantly, parents and other guardians who are making decisions about the safety of their children and other vulnerable individuals.

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From: Eisenzimmer, Andrew
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Jennifer, your objection is duly noted for the record. We go with the statement, as we've done on multiple, earlier occasions, which Fr. Laird has approved.

On Jul 25, 2012, at 6:23 PM, "Haselberger, Jennifer" <haselbergerj@archspm.org> wrote:

I don't see how we can say that no priests credibly accused of misconduct Serve in the archdiocese, even as background. That simply is not true.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 25, 2012, at 6:12 PM, "Accurso, James" <accursoj@archspm.org> wrote:

All:

After consulting with Rita, here's the reworked statement.

So, once approved I'll send it to the STrib and AP a.s.a.p. as promised.

I suggest it be posted to our website first thing in the morning.

Thanks,

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**STATEMENT REGARDING
MINNESOTA SUPREME COURT RULING
ON ADAMSON LITIGATION
July 25, 2012**

Today's Minnesota Supreme Court ruling rejecting the use of repressed memories to extend the state's six year statute of limitations confirms and upholds the previous trial court ruling in the case of Thomas Adamson who was assigned as a priest in the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis more than 30 years ago.

We continue to implement all of the requirements of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People adopted by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in July of 2002. These include background evaluations of all adults who serve with minors as well as the training of our priests, religious, lay staff, teachers, coaches, volunteers and the children in our schools and religious education programs to prevent abuse.

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FOR BACKGROUND ONLY

- *The statute of limitations is a long-standing and well-recognized affirmative defense.*
- *The Catholic Church has taken unprecedented steps following the release of the Dallas Charter that has resulted in the Church becoming a model safe environment for children.*
- *No priests credibly accused of misconduct are currently in ministry in this archdiocese.*