

Continuation of Statement of Father of RC-A597

history of RC-A597 at various school functions. This video was initiated by Father David, although there was a lot of video of RC-A597 and Father David on the tape. RC-A597 subsequently brought this video tape home and we all watched it. Also on this video tape was a scene of RC-A597 in the bath at home.

I had an uneasy feeling over the years about RC-A597's relationship with Father David and I would ask RC-A597 if everything was okay and he said it was.

I also remember RC-A597 going to an outward bound centre in DPA with Father David and a group of other boys. I do remember RC-A597 telling me at one stage he got a groin strain and Father David had put ointment on it. I can't remember if it was the DPA trip or another school activity when that had happened.

In February 1989 I found a letter somewhere in the house from Father David to RC-A597 dated 24th February 1989. It was 3 pages long but I remember in one of the last paragraphs there were the words "Don't forget to destroy it as usual". I got very concerned about this line and why Father David would say this. I confronted RC-A597 about this letter and the fact that Father David had asked him to destroy it. I told RC-A597 that I was going to see Father David the following day. RC-A597 got very upset about this, he said that Father David would be very upset about it all. RC-A597 was very distraught and crying. The following day I made an appointment with Father David. I remember Father David's secretary at the time, a woman called Name Redacted. I went in to see Father David and explained that as a result of reading the letter, he had sent RC-A597 and the fact that he had told RC-A597 to destroy the letter, I felt that his relationships with David was wrong. I asked him not to have contact with David on his own. Father David did not give me an explanation about why he told RC-A597 to destroy the letter. He made no excuses at all and no defence. It ended up with Father David saying if that was what I wanted he would stop seeing RC-A597 on his own, it wasn't a long meeting.

I wasn't aware of RC-A597 seeing Father David on his own. I was aware when RC-A597 was older that Father David was mentoring him to get into DPA. I knew that he met Father David socially. I would like to say that we never thought the relationship with Father David was a sexual abuse but more inappropriate emotional relationship. RC-A597 told me that he had some contact over his years at DPA with Father David. When I asked RC-A597 as an adult about his relationship with Father David and all

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