



Edmund Rice Christian Brothers North America

A Province of the Congregation of Christian Brothers

*A Guide for Those Bringing Forth an Allegation
of Sexual Abuse (while a minor)
Against a Christian Brother in North America
Post-Bankruptcy Allegations
For abuse that took place prior to August 1, 2012*

When an allegation of sexual abuse is made against a Christian Brother in North America, the Christian Brothers will ordinarily take the following steps.

1. Contact will be made with the individual bringing forth the allegation by the Province Leader, Bro. Peter Zawot – 908-469-1103 – pezawot@hotmail.com . The individual will be offered an opportunity to be in contact with the Province Survivor Assistance Advocate, Teresa Pitt Green – 703-660-6799 – tpg@cbinstitute.org. If the individual has retained legal counsel, contact should be made with Anthony Dougherty, legal counsel for the Christian Brothers – 646-330-4642 – adougherty@archerlaw.com.
2. If the individual is a minor at the time the allegation is brought forth, the Christian Brothers will report the alleged abuse to civil authorities within 48 hours or sooner if mandated by law.
3. If the individual is no longer a minor at the time the allegation is brought forward, he/she will be advised of his/her right to report the abuse to the appropriate civil authorities.
4. Once the allegation has been received, the Christian Brothers will begin an immediate initial inquiry into the allegation. If circumstances warrant such, an independent investigator (AMRIC Associates) will be hired to fully investigate the details of the allegation.
5. If an allegation of sexual abuse against a Christian Brother is established and substantiated, the Brother will be permanently removed from all ministry involving minors. Ordinarily, the Brother is removed from ministry while the investigation takes place.
6. Upon completion of the independent investigation, the Christian Brothers will provide the individual bringing forth the allegation with a written letter detailing the outcome of the investigation.
7. Findings of the investigation will be presented to an independent Review Board for their review and recommendations.
8. Inform the individual of the Christian Brothers Bankruptcy Settlement which is detailed on the Province Website at www.ercbna.org.



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Elizabeth, New Jersey 07201

908-469-1103
www.ercbna.org

9. Inform the individual that if he/she is seeking a monetary settlement, he/she should contact via his/her legal counsel:

In writing- Omni Acquisition Management Corp.
1120 Avenue of the Americas (4th Floor)
New York, NY 10036

By Phone- 800-873-4094
And refer to- Case No. 11-22820