

DIOCESAN REVIEW BOARD

Bishop Curtis J. Guillory, S.V.D., Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Beaumont, publicly announced on March 14, 2003 the appointment of a **Diocesan Review Board** which will review and assess allegations of sexual abuse of minors by clerics and other church personnel. The appointment of this Review Board is in compliance with the revised *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* which was approved by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) for publication on November 19, 2002 and the USCCB's *Essential Norms for Diocesan/Eparchial Policies Dealing with Allegations of Sexual Abuse of Minors* which were approved on the same date and subsequently by the Vatican Congregation for Bishops on December 8, 2002.

The majority of the members are lay persons who are not in the employment of the Diocese. Members are appointed for a term of five years. The Board will also make recommendations to the Bishop concerning return to ministry, employment, or volunteer service once a determination is made.

MEMBERS

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Ray Coxe, Ph.D., Clinical Psychologist, Beaumont. With a Master's from L.S.U. and a doctorate in psychology in 1972 from the University of Southern Mississippi, he has worked several years in community mental health and child guidance before going into private practice in 1979. His focus is forensic and family psychology. A major part of his practice is evaluating and treating sexual aggressors for the criminal courts and assessing the credibility of allegations of abuse for the family courts. He has published research in professional journals on the evaluation, treatment, and risk assessment of sex offenders. He also counsels victims of sexual assault. He served on the committee that developed the Garth House, and he was the first chairman.

Glenn Durst, Captain, Field Operations Commander, Beaumont Police Dept. He attended Lamar University. He began his career with the Police Department in 1979 and was promoted to Sergeant in 1987, where he was a Patrol Supervisor until 1989. From 1989 until 1996, he served as a Special Crimes Detective investigating crimes against children. In 1996, he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and was assigned to the Community Policing Unit. He attended Sam Houston's Leadership Command College and graduated in 1998. In early 1999, he returned to supervise the Special Crimes Unit. Later that year, he was promoted to Captain and was transferred to the Patrol Division as a Watch Commander. In 2004, he was accepted to the FBI's National Academy at Quantico, VA and graduated from the 217th Session in June of that year. In February 2005, he was appointed the Field Operations Division Commander, the position he currently holds. He also holds a Masters Peace Officer Certification from the State of Texas. He is a member of Our Lady of Victory Parish, Sour Lake. He has been married for the past 33 years and has two children and a grandson.

Donald J. Floyd, B.A., J.D., Judge of the 172nd District Court. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Dillard University in New Orleans, La. in 1966 and his Doctor of Jurisprudence Degree from Thurgood Marshall School of Law at Texas Southern University in Houston in 1972. From April 1972 to August 1974, he worked as a Trial Attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Housing Section in Washington, D.C. In September of 1974, he entered private practice in Port Arthur. In April 1981, he was elected

to a three year term as a member of the PAISD Board of Trustees. In September of 1982, the Port Arthur City Council appointed him Judge of the Municipal Court of the City of Port Arthur. In December of 1983, the Jefferson County Commissioners' Court appointed him Judge of Jefferson County Court At Law #3 in Beaumont. On December 15, 1989, The Honorable William P. Clements, Jr., Governor of the State of Texas, appointed him Judge of the 172nd District Court, the position he presently holds. He is active in many civic, social, church, business and community organizations. He is a member of Sacred Heart-St. Mary Parish, Port Arthur. He is married with two daughters and two granddaughters.

Donna Scheer of Orange, TX, is a member of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Community where she has participated in the elementary and high school Religious Education programs and the Women of St. Francis altar society. As a mother of two children, she was an active volunteer in the LCM parent-teacher organizations as her daughters progressed through school. From 2000 until 2009, Donna served as a trustee on the LCM school board, holding the offices of secretary, vice president and president. She is a native of Orange and attended St. Mary's Catholic School.

Michele Smith, partner at *Mehaffy Weber Attorneys*. Graduating from Lamar University with a BBA Degree in Accounting, she received her Juris Doctorate from Baylor University School of Law in 1992. Having joined Mehaffy Weber in 1993, she has more than 16 years of diverse jury trial experience and represents clients in general litigation, with a concentration in complex mass tort litigation and products liability. She is board certified in Personal Injury Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. She is an active member of the Jefferson County Bar Association and acts as an attorney volunteer for the Pro Bono Program. She was named the Jefferson County Bar Association Young Lawyer of the Year for 2002. Michele is a member of St. Anne Parish, Beaumont.

John B. Stevens, Jr., was elected *Criminal District Court Judge for Jefferson County* (2006), after serving for 20 years as Assistant U.S. Attorney. He received his Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from the University of Houston in 1979, his Master of Social Science from Syracuse University in 2001, and his Bachelor of Arts degree from Lamar University. He served as Assistant Criminal District Attorney from 1979-81, and was an Associate with Provost, Umphrey et al. from 1981-85, before becoming an Assistant U. S. Attorney in 1985. He was the Criminal Division Chief from 1993-2002. He has written several articles which have been published by the Justice Department and used for prosecutor training. He has held membership on the State Bar Rules of Evidence and the Advanced Criminal Law Course Planning Committees. He is currently a board member for the Salvation Army and the 100 Club of Jefferson and Hardin Counties. He is married to Marcia, Director of the Non-Profit Development Center for Southeast Texas, and they have two daughters.

Father Martin Nelson, M.Div., JCL, *Our Lady of Victory Church, Sour Lake*. Possessing a B.A. from Washington & Lee University in 1971 and a Masters of Divinity from Seabury-Western Seminary in 1974, he was an Episcopal priest for almost 20 years. He converted to Catholicism, and two years later was ordained a Catholic priest in 1997. He received a Licentiate in Canon Law from the Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., in 2004. He has served as Chaplain at Msgr. Kelly Catholic High School, as Assistant at St. Anne's parish, Beaumont, and as a member of the Diocesan Stewardship Committee. He has experience in providing pastoral care to victims of abuse. In addition to his priestly ministry at Our Lady of Victory Parish, he is also a Judge in the Diocesan Tribunal.

Sister Esther Dunegan, IWBS, J.C.L., Chancellor-Diocese of Beaumont, [ex officio]. A Sister of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament of Corpus Christi since 1965, she

received a Bachelor of Business Administration from St. Mary's University, San Antonio, in 1970, and in 1988 she received a Licentiate in Canon Law from The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C. After being an educator for almost 10 years, she transferred to the Diocese of Brownsville in 1979 where she served as pension-insurance coordinator and Advocate for the Tribunal. She was appointed Collegiate Judge in the Tribunal and Chancellor of the Diocese from 1989 to 1995. In November, 1995, she transferred to the Diocese of Beaumont, where she was appointed Chancellor, a position which she currently holds. From 1996 to June, 2004, she served two terms on the Leadership Team of her Religious Institute, and in June, 2008, was elected to another term.

Msgr. Michael A. Jamail, J.C.D., Ed.D., Vicar General/Moderator of the Curia, Diocese of Beaumont; [ex officio]. He received the bachelor (1967) and licentiate degree (1968) in Canon Law from the Pontifical Lateran University, Rome, and the doctorate (1969) from The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.; a Master of Theology (1971), University of St. Thomas, Houston; an M.A. in Counseling Psychology from Notre Dame University (1970), and the doctorate (1973) from Texas A&M University - Commerce. He is licensed (#2-1072) for the practice of psychology by the Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists and is listed in the National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology. Ordained a priest in 1960, he has served as associate pastor in parishes; as teacher and counselor in Catholic high schools; Judicial Vicar, Promoter of Justice, and Defender of the Bond for the Diocesan Tribunal; and director of Holy Family Retreat Center, Beaumont. He has served on various professional boards including the Beaumont Mental Health and Retardation Authority, the Texas Association of Marriage and Family Therapists, and the C. G. Jung Educational Center, Houston. Since 1994, he has been Vicar General/Moderator of the Curia of the Diocese.

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