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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, FRESNO DIVISION

In re
THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF
FRESNO,

Debtor in Possession

Case No. 25-12231-B-11
Chapter 11
DCN: MB-27
Hearing
Date: November 13, 2025
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Place: Courtroom 13 (Dept. B), Fifth Floor
United States Bankruptcy Court
2500 Tulare Street
Fresno, CA 93721
Judge: Hon. René Lastreto II

**ORDER (1) SETTING CLAIMS BAR DATE; (2) APPROVING PROOF
OF CLAIM FORMS; (3) APPROVING BAR DATE NOTICES;
AND (4) ESTABLISHING CONFIDENTIALITY PROTOCOLS**

On November 13, 2025, at 9:30 a.m., the Court held a hearing on regular notice on the
*Motion for Order (1) Setting Claims Bar Date; (2) Approving Proof of Claim Forms; (3) Approving
Bar Date Notices; and (4) Establishing Confidentiality Protocols* (the “Motion”)¹ filed by The

¹ Undefined capitalized terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

1 Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno (the “Debtor”), the debtor and debtor in possession in the above-
2 captioned case (“Bankruptcy Case”). The Debtor appeared through its counsel, Garrett J. Wade.
3 All other appearances were noted on the record.

4 The Court, having reviewed and considered the Motion, the Memorandum of Points and
5 Authorities in support thereof, the Martin Background Decl., the Oller Background Decl., the
6 Marquez Decl., all exhibits filed in support of the Motion, and the representations made by counsel
7 at the hearing; and the Court finding good cause to grant the relief requested by the Motion under
8 11 U.S.C. §§ 501, 502, and 503, Rules 2002, 3001-3005, and 9008 and LBR 3003-1; and the Court
9 further finding that notice given of the Motion was appropriate under the circumstances,

10 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** as follows:

11 1. The Motion is GRANTED as set forth herein.

12 2. The General Proof of Claim (**Exhibit “1”**), the Survivor Claim Form (consisting of
13 the Survivor Proof of Claim, optional Survivor Supplement, and instructions thereto) (**Exhibit “2”**),
14 the Confidentiality Agreement (**Exhibit “3”**), the General Bar Date Notice (**Exhibit “4”**), the
15 Survivor Bar Date Notice (**Exhibit “5”**), and the Publication Notice (**Exhibit “6”**), each
16 substantially in the forms attached hereto as exhibits, and the manner of providing notice of the Bar
17 Date proposed in the Motion, are approved under Rules 2002, 3003, and 9008 and LBR 3003-1.
18 The proposed form and manner of notice of the Bar Date approved by this Order (this “Order”) are
19 deemed to fulfill the notice requirements of the Rules and LBR. The notice of the Bar Date in the
20 form and manner proposed by the Debtor is fair and reasonable and will provide sufficient notice to
21 all creditors and interest holders of their rights and obligations in connection with claims they may
22 assert against the Debtor’s estate in this Bankruptcy Case. Accordingly, the Debtor is authorized to
23 serve and publish the Bar Date Notices in the manner described herein.

24 3. Except as provided in paragraph 6 of this Order, any person or entity holding a pre-
25 petition claim against the Debtor must file a proof of claim in accordance with the procedures
26 described herein on or before **February 2, 2026** (the “Bar Date”). The Bar Date applies to all
27 persons and entities holding claims against the Debtor, including governmental entities and holders
28 of claims arising under 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(9), (whether secured, unsecured priority, or unsecured

1 nonpriority) that arose prior to July 1, 2025 (the “Petition Date”). Proofs of claim submitted by
2 facsimile or email shall not be accepted. Proofs of claim shall be deemed filed when actually
3 received by the Claims and Noticing Agent on or before the Bar Date. If a creditor desires to receive
4 acknowledgment of receipt of a proof of claim, the creditor must also submit to the Claims and
5 Noticing Agent by the Bar Date and concurrently with submitting its original proof of claim: (i) a
6 third copy of the original proof of claim; and (ii) a self-addressed, stamped return envelope. Proofs
7 of claim may be submitted in person or by courier service, hand delivery, U.S. Mail, or
8 electronically, as follows:

9 **If Proof of Claim is sent by mail, to:**

10 Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC
11 Re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno
12 P.O. Box 2053
13 New York, NY 10272-2042

14 **If Proof of Claim is sent by Hand Delivery or Overnight Courier, to:**

15 Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC
16 c/o Angeion Group
17 Re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno
18 200 Vesey Street, 24th Floor
19 New York, NY 10281

20 **If Proof of Claim is submitted electronically,**

21 **For Survivor Claimants submitting Survivor Claim Forms:**

22 <https://bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/Clients/rcbf/FileSurvivorClaim>

23 **For all other creditors submitting General Proofs of Claim:**

24 <https://bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/Clients/rcbf/FileClaim>

25 4. Except as provided in paragraph 6 of this Order, in accordance with 11 U.S.C.
26 § 502(b)(9), any governmental unit holding a pre-petition claim against the Debtor must file a proof
27 of claim in accordance with the procedures described herein so as to be received by the Claims and
28 Noticing Agent on or before **February 2, 2026**. For the avoidance of doubt, this paragraph includes
governmental units holding claims against the Debtor for unpaid taxes, whether such claims arise
from pre-petition tax years or periods or pre-petition transactions to which the Debtor was a party.²

² The term “governmental unit” as used herein has the meaning ascribed in 11 U.S.C. § 101(27).

1 5. Except as provided in paragraph 6 of this Order, any person holding a pre-petition
2 claim arising from Abuse (defined below) for which the individual believes the Debtor may be
3 liable, must file a Survivor Proof of Claim, and may file the separate optional Survivor Supplement,
4 in accordance with the procedures described in this Order so as to be received by the Claims and
5 Noticing Agent on or before **February 2, 2026**. For the purposes of this Order:

- 6 (a) “Abuse” means conduct giving rise to a Survivor Claim.
- 7 (b) A “Survivor Claim” is defined as any claim (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(5))
8 against the Debtor resulting or arising or related to in whole or in part, directly
9 or indirectly from any actual or alleged sexual conduct or misconduct, grooming, sexual abuse or molestation, indecent assault and/or battery, rape,
10 pedophilia, ephebophilia, or sexually-related physical, psychological, or emotional harm, or contacts, or interactions of a sexual nature between a child
11 and an adult, or a nonconsenting adult and another adult, sexual assault, sexual battery, sexual psychological or emotional abuse, humiliation,
12 intimidation, any other conduct constituting a sexual offense, or any other sexual misconduct, and seeking monetary damages or any other relief based
13 upon the conduct described above, under any theory of liability, including, but not limited to, vicarious liability, any negligence-based theory,
14 conspiracy, fraudulent concealment, intentional tort, continuing tort, public nuisance, invasion of privacy, breach of alleged duties imposed by *The*
15 *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, Canon Law or other Catholic Church documents or principles, contribution, indemnity, or any
16 other theory based on any acts or failures to act by the Debtor or any other person or entity for whose acts or failures to act the Debtor is or may be
17 responsible, including claims against clergy, deacons, seminarians, employees, teachers, or volunteers. Survivor Claim includes all claims for
Childhood Sexual Assault as defined by Cal. Code Civ. Proc. § 340.1(c).
- 18 (c) A “Survivor Claimant” is a person asserting a Survivor Claim against the
19 Debtor, or if a minor or legally incapacitated adult, then his/her/their parent or legal guardian or custodian.

20 6. The following entities whose claims otherwise would be subject to the Bar Date shall
21 not be required to file proofs of claim in this chapter 11 case:

- 22 (a) Any person or entity that as of the entry of this Order has already properly
23 filed a proof of claim against the Debtor with the Clerk of the Court for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California or with
24 Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC;
- 25 (b) Any person or entity: (i) whose claim is listed in the Schedules or any
26 amendments thereto, and (ii) whose claim is not described therein as “disputed,” “contingent,” or “unliquidated,” and (iii) who does not dispute
the amount or classification of its claim as set forth in the Schedules;
- 27 (c) Professionals retained pursuant to orders of this Court who assert
28 administrative claims for payment of fees and expenses subject to the Court’s approval under 11 U.S.C. §§ 330, 331(a), and 503(b);

- 1 (d) Any person or entity that asserts an administrative expense claim against the
2 Debtor under 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(1) through (b)(8).
- 3 (e) Any person or entity whose claim against the Debtor has been allowed by an
4 order of the Court entered on or before the Bar Date;
- 5 (f) Any person or entity whose claim has been paid in full;
- 6 (g) Any holder of a claim for which a separate deadline is fixed by the Court; and
- 7 (h) The United States Trustee regarding a claim for quarterly fees under 28
8 U.S.C. § 1930(a)(6).

8 7. The Debtor shall retain the right to (i) dispute, or assert offsets or defense against,
9 any filed claim or any claim listed or reflected in the Schedules as to nature, amount, liability,
10 classification, or otherwise; and (ii) subsequently designate any claim as disputed, contingent, or
11 unliquidated.

12 8. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 6 of this Order, the following must file a proof
13 of claim on or before the Bar Date:

- 14 (a) Any person or entity whose pre-petition claim against the Debtor is not listed
15 in the Schedules, or whose pre-petition claim is listed in the Schedules as
16 “disputed,” “contingent,” or “unliquidated” and desires to participate in this
17 Bankruptcy Case or share in any distribution in this Bankruptcy Case;
- 18 (b) Any person or entity who believes that their pre-petition claim is improperly
19 classified in the Schedules or listed in an incorrect amount and desires to have
20 their claim allowed in a classification or amount other than as listed in the
21 Schedules; and
- 22 (c) Any person who believes that he, she, or they has or may have a Survivor
23 Claim for which the person believes the Debtor may be liable.

24 9. Pursuant to Rule 3003(c)(3), **any person or entity that is required to file a proof
25 of claim in this chapter 11 case pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, the Federal Rules of
26 Bankruptcy Procedure, or this Order with respect to a particular claim against the Debtor,
27 but fails to do so by the Bar Date, may not be treated as a creditor with respect to such claim
28 for the purposes of voting on and distribution under any chapter 11 plan proposed and/or
confirmed in this Bankruptcy Case.**

10. Within ten (10) business days of the entry of this Order, and except as provided in
paragraph 11 below concerning Survivor Claims, the Debtor shall serve by United States mail, first-

1 class postage prepaid upon: (a) all known persons and entities holding potential pre-petition claims
2 against the Debtor, and their counsel (if known); (b) all parties that have requested special notice in
3 this Bankruptcy Case; and (c) the United States Trustee, the following documents: (i) the General
4 Bar Date Notice substantially in the form attached as **Exhibit “4”** hereto; and (ii) a copy of the
5 General Proof of Claim and instructions substantially in the form attached as hereto **Exhibit “1”**.

6 11. Within ten (10) business days of the entry of this Order, the Debtor shall serve by
7 United States mail, first-class postage prepaid upon all known Survivor Claimants and their counsel
8 (if known)³ the following documents: (i) the Survivor Bar Date Notice substantially in the form
9 attached hereto as **Exhibit “5”**; (ii) a copy of the Survivor Claim Form (consisting of the Survivor
10 Proof of Claim, optional Survivor Supplement, and instructions thereto) substantially in the form
11 attached hereto as **Exhibit “2”**; and (iii) the Committee’s letter in support of the Survivor Bar Date
12 Notice and Survivor Claim Form.

13 12. The Debtor also shall make the Bar Date Notices available to the public in the
14 following manner:

15 (a) The Debtor shall post on the Debtor’s website a copy of (i) the General Bar
16 Date Notice and General Proof of Claim, and (ii) the Survivor Bar Date
17 Notice and Survivor Claim Form (Survivor Proof of Claim, optional Survivor
18 Supplement, and instructions). The Debtor’s Claims and Noticing Agent
19 shall also post these forms on the website established for this Bankruptcy
20 Case. The Debtor shall promptly request Survivors Network of those Abused
21 by Priests, a survivor advocacy group, and BishopAccountability.org, Inc., to
22 post the Survivor Bar Date Notice on their respective websites.

23 (b) The Debtor shall cause a copy of the notice substantially in the form attached
24 hereto as **Exhibit “6”** (the “Publication Notice”), in proportion of
25 approximately one-eighth (1/8th) page advertisement in each newspaper
26 listed in (i) through (iv) below, to be published as follows:

27 (i) Once, in English, in the Western edition of *The Wall Street Journal*,
28 on the first available, reasonably practical date after entry of this
Order;

(ii) Twice each, in English, in the following newspapers, first on the first
available, reasonably practical date after entry of this Order, and
second, approximately one month prior to the Bar Date:

³ If a Survivor Claimant’s counsel has appeared in the bankruptcy case on behalf of a Survivor Claimant or
provided written consent to Debtor’s counsel, the Debtor is authorized to serve the Survivor Claimant’s
counsel with the Survivor Bar Date Notice and Survivor Claim Form.

1 *Bakersfield Californian* (Kern County);
2 *Fresno Bee* (Fresno and Madera Counties);
3 *Hanford Sentinel* (Kings County);
4 *Hollister Freelance* (San Benito County);
5 *Inyo Register* (Inyo County);
6 *Los Angeles Times* (Los Angeles County);
7 *Mariposa Gazette* (Mariposa County);
8 *Merced County Times* (Merced County);
9 *Modesto Bee* (Stanislaus County);
10 *Monterey Herald* (Monterey County);
11 *Sacramento Bee* (Sacramento County);
12 *San Francisco Chronicle* (San Francisco County);
13 *San Luis Obispo Tribune* (San Luis Obispo County);
14 *Santa Cruz Sentinel* (Santa Cruz County);
15 *Stockton Record* (San Joaquin County);
16 *USA Today (Los Angeles, San*
17 *Francisco, and Phoenix Regions)* (Multiple Counties); and
18 *Visalia Times Delta &*
19 *Tulare Advance Register* (Tulare County).

20 (iii) Twice each, in Spanish, in the following newspapers, first on the first
21 available, reasonably practical date after entry of this Order, and
22 second, approximately one month prior to the Bar Date:

23 *Bakersfield Californian* (Kern County);
24 *Fresno Bee* (Fresno and Madera Counties);
25 *Hanford Sentinel* (Kings County);
26 *Inyo Register* (Inyo County);
27 *La Opinión* (Los Angeles County);
28 *La Opinión de la Bahía* (Bay Area);
29 *Mariposa Gazette* (Mariposa County);
30 *Merced County Times* (Merced County);
31 *Sacramento Bee* (Sacramento County); and
32 *Visalia Times Delta &*
33 *Tulare Advance Register* (Tulare County).

34 13. Additionally, the Debtor shall provide further notice of the Bar Date by taking the
35 following measures:

- 36 (a) The Debtor will request that each parish include in the bulletins produced by
37 the parishes and missions located within the geographic territory of the
38 Diocese, bi-weekly from the first reasonably available date after entry of this
39 Order until the Bar Date, an announcement that will be placed in the language
40 in which such parish or mission conducts mass (English and/or Spanish).
- 41 (b) The Debtor will publish the Publication Notice in its own written magazine
42 publication called *Central California Catholic Life Magazine*.
- 43 (c) The Debtor will request each parish and mission in the geographic territory
44 of the Diocese to post a flyer announcing the Bar Date in a prominent location
45 for at least six weeks prior to the Bar Date.

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1 (d) The Debtor will make a “pinned post” regarding the Bar Date with
2 information on how to obtain and submit a confidential Survivor Claim Form
on the following social media accounts:

- 3 (i) <https://www.instagram.com/dioceseoffresno/>;
4 (ii) <https://www.facebook.com/RomanCatholicDioceseOfFresno/>; and
(iii) <https://www.x.com/dioceseoffresno/>.

5 14. The Debtor is authorized, under 11 U.S.C. § 503(b) to pay the costs of mailing and
6 publication as described in the Motion.

7 15. All Survivor Claim Forms (the Survivor Proof of Claim and Survivor Supplement)
8 shall be treated as confidential in accordance with the following confidentiality protocols:

9 (a) Survivor Claimants **shall not** file any component of the Survivor Claim Form
10 (the Survivor Proof of Claim and/or the Survivor Supplement) with the Court.
11 Instead, each Survivor Claim Form shall be sent to the Claims and Noticing
12 Agent in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Survivor Bar Date
13 Notice. Any claim that appears to assert a Survivor Claim that is filed using
(a) the General Proof of Claim, or (b) the Survivor Proof of Claim without
the optional Survivor Supplement, shall be treated by the Claims and
Noticing Agent as a confidential claim pending resolution of the claimant’s
intent regarding confidential treatment of such claims.

14 (b) Any Survivor Claim Form (the Survivor Proof of Claim and/or Survivor
15 Supplement) submitted by a Survivor Claimant **shall not** be available to the
16 general public. However, a Survivor Claimant may elect to make any of the
17 information contained in his or her own confidential Survivor Claim Form
18 public; *provided, however*, that even if a Survivor Claimant elects to disclose
information from their confidential Survivor Claim Form, such disclosure
shall not constitute a waiver of confidentiality or privilege and no other party
may disclose any information from such confidential Survivor Claim Form,
except as allowed by the Confidentiality Protocols described herein.

19 (c) Any Survivor Claim Form (the Survivor Proof of Claim and/or Survivor
20 Supplement) submitted by a Survivor Claimant shall be held and treated as
21 confidential by the Debtor and its professionals. Copies of filed Survivor
22 Claim Forms shall be provided to the parties listed below (the “Permitted
23 Parties”) and to such other persons that may be granted access to the Survivor
24 Claim Forms by order of the Court. Except for the U.S. Trustee, no party
25 (including a Permitted Party) may obtain copies of Survivor Claim Forms
26 unless such party first executes a confidentiality agreement (the
27 “Confidentiality Agreement”) substantially in the form attached hereto as
Exhibit “3.” Each Permitted Party who is not a natural person shall only be
required to execute a single Confidentiality Agreement through an authorized
representative on behalf of itself, which shall be binding on their entire firm
or entity, and the employees, partners, officers, and directors of the firm or
entity. Permitted Parties shall keep confidential and shall not disclose the
contents of any Survivor Claim Form except to other Permitted Parties that
have complied with these Confidentiality Protocols described herein or by
order of the Court.

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1 (d) The Permitted Parties (the “Permitted Party List”) are:

2 (i) Counsel and other professionals for the Debtor retained pursuant to
3 an order of the Court, including partners, counsel, associates, and
4 employees of such professionals, who are necessary to assist the
5 Debtor in reviewing and analyzing the Survivor Claims;

6 (ii) The Bishop of the Debtor and employees of the Debtor who are
7 necessary to assist the Bishop in reviewing and analyzing the Survivor
8 Claims; *provided, however*, that no individual accused of committing
9 Abuse in a lawsuit or Survivor Claim shall have access to any
10 Survivor Claim Form. The Debtor is not permitted to discuss any
11 Survivor Claim with a person identified as an alleged abuser who was
12 not previously disclosed to the Debtor as an individual who had
13 committed an act of Abuse for the purpose of conducting an internal
14 investigation and assessing the actual claim, unless the Debtor
15 provides any affected Survivor Claimant, such affected Survivor
16 Claimant’s counsel (if any), and counsel to the Committee, with
17 notice delivered via overnight delivery and e-mail of such planned
18 disclosure (a “Disclosure Notice”) and an opportunity to object to
19 such disclosure. If the Debtor receives a written objection to such
20 disclosure (an “Objection Notice”) on or before 5:00 p.m. (Pacific
21 Time) on the fifth (5th) day following receipt of the Disclosure Notice
22 (the “Objection Deadline”), (A) the Debtor may not make the
23 disclosure set forth in the Disclosure Notice until such time as the
24 Court permits such disclosure or the Committee consents to such
25 disclosure, and (B) the Debtor may make an application to the Court
26 on no less than 24 hours’ notice seeking authorization to make such
27 disclosure over the Committee’s objection. If no Objection Notice is
28 received prior to the Objection Deadline, the Debtor may make the
disclosure set forth in the Disclosure Notice;

17 (iii) Counsel and other professionals for the Committee retained pursuant
18 to an order of the Court, including partners, counsel, associates, and
19 employees of such professionals, who are necessary to assist the
20 Committee in reviewing and analyzing the Survivor Claims;

20 (iv) Insurers for the Debtor, together with the following professionals who
21 are necessary to assist the Insurers for the Debtor in reviewing and
22 analyzing Survivor Claims in connection with this Bankruptcy Case:
23 their respective affiliates; successors; administrators;
24 retrocessionaires; reinsurers; reinsurance intermediaries; regulators;
25 auditors; accountants; administrative vendors for processing payment
26 of claims, providing IT support services, and providing litigation
27 support services; and the counsel for any of the foregoing entities. For
28 the avoidance of doubt, the partners, counsel, associates, consultants,
experts, and employees of the foregoing professionals are Permitted
Parties;

(v) Any unknown claims representative appointed pursuant to an order of
the Court in this Bankruptcy Case;

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- (vi) Any mediator appointed pursuant to an order of this Court to mediate the terms of a settlement or plan of reorganization in this Bankruptcy Case, and any party that is included in such mediation as determined by such mediator;
- (vii) Any special arbitrator/claims reviewer appointed pursuant to an order of this Court to review and resolve the claims of Survivor Claimants;
- (viii) Any trustee, or functional equivalent thereof, appointed to administer payments to Survivor Claimants including pursuant to a plan of reorganization or a proposed plan of reorganization;
- (ix) Members of the Committee and their personal counsel;
- (x) Persons who are permitted access upon stipulation of the party that produced or disclosed the affected Survivor Claim, after notice and a reasonable opportunity to object has been provided to counsel for the Debtor, Committee, and Insurers; and
- (xi) Such other persons as the Court determines should have the information in order to evaluate Survivor Claims; *provided however*, that any such determination shall be made on no less than seven days' notice to the affected Survivor Claimants and the Committee.

16. For any General Proof of Claim to be validly and properly filed, a completed and signed original⁴ proof of claim form (Bankruptcy Form 410), together with any accompanying documentation required by Rules 3001(c) and 3001(d), must be delivered to the Claims and Noticing Agent, at the address identified on the Bar Date Notice or electronically filed with the Claims and Noticing Agent so as to be received by the date as stated on the applicable Bar Date Notice; provided, however, that if the supporting documentation for a General Proof of Claim is voluminous, such General Proof of Claim may include a summary of such documentation or an explanation as to why such documentation is not available, in accordance with Rules 3001(c) and 3001(d) and/or other applicable law.

17. The Debtor is authorized and empowered to take all actions necessary to implement and enforce the relief granted in this Order. Nothing herein prohibits the Committee or any counsel

⁴ Any proof of claim may be signed using an electronic signature, including without limitation, any software with electronic signature capabilities, such as DocuSign, AdobeSign, VineSign, or similar, reliable programs. A proof of claim may also be submitted using an /s/ followed by the claimant's typed name, provided the person authorized by the claimant to submit her/her/their proof of claim maintains an original copy of the claimant's "wet" signature or a writing provided by the claimant authorizing the use of such electronic signature and such signature shall be deemed signed by the creditor as provided in LBR 9004-1(c)(2).

1 for an individual claimant from enforcing this Order with respect to the confidentiality provisions
2 contained herein and all parties' rights are reserved as to any such request.

3 18. Nothing contained herein shall constitute a waiver by the Debtor of (a) any defenses
4 in connection with any general claims or Survivor Claims that are asserted against the Debtor, or
5 (b) the right to assert that any general claims or Survivor Claims are barred by applicable statutes of
6 limitations.

7 19. This Order is without prejudice to any request by the Debtor, Committee, or
8 Unknown Claims Representative to modify the Bar Date.

9 20. Under Rule 3002(c)(4), any claim arising from the rejection of an executory contract
10 or unexpired lease of the Debtor shall be filed within 30 days after such rejection.

11 21. This Court shall retain jurisdiction over any and all matters arising from or relating
12 to the implementation, interpretation, enforcement, or modification of this Order.

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16 **Dated:** Nov 17, 2025

By the Court

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19 **René Lastreto II, Judge**
United States Bankruptcy Court

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Exhibit 1

GENERAL PROOF OF CLAIM

Fill in this information to identify the case:

Debtor 1 The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno
 Debtor 2 _____
 (Spouse, if filing)
 United States Bankruptcy Court for the: Eastern District of California
 Case number 25-12231-B-11

THIS PROOF OF CLAIM FORM IS FOR GENERAL PROOFS OF CLAIM AND SHOULD NOT BE FILED OR SUBMITTED BY PARTIES ASSERTING A SURVIVOR CLAIM. SURVIVOR CLAIMANTS SHOULD USE THE CONFIDENTIAL SURVIVOR PROOF OF CLAIM FORM, WHICH IS AVAILABLE AT:

<https://bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/Clients/rcbf/Static/SurvivorClaims>.

Official Form 410

Proof of Claim

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Read the instructions before filling out this form. This form is for making a claim for payment in a bankruptcy case. Do not use this form to make a request for payment of an administrative expense. Make such a request according to 11 U.S.C. § 503.

Filers must leave out or redact information that is entitled to privacy on this form or on any attached documents. Attach redacted copies of any documents that support the claim, such as promissory notes, purchase orders, invoices, itemized statements of running accounts, contracts, judgments, mortgages, and security agreements. **Do not send original documents;** they may be destroyed after scanning. If the documents are not available, explain in an attachment.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and 3571.

Fill in all the information about the claim as of the date the case was filed. That date is on the notice of bankruptcy (Form 309) that you received.

Part 1: Identify the Claim

1. Who is the current creditor?

Name of the current creditor (the person or entity to be paid for this claim) _____
 Other names the creditor used with the debtor _____

2. Has this claim been acquired from someone else?

☐ No
☐ Yes. From whom? _____

3. Where should notices and payments to the creditor be sent?

Where should notices to the creditor be sent?

Where should payments to the creditor be sent? (if different)

Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (FRBP) 2002(g)

Name _____
 Number _____ Street _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____
 Contact phone _____
 Contact email _____

Name _____
 Number _____ Street _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____
 Contact phone _____
 Contact email _____

Uniform claim identifier (if you use one):

4. Does this claim amend one already filed?

☐ No
☐ Yes. Claim number on court claims registry (if known) _____

Filed on _____
 MM / DD / YYYY

5. Do you know if anyone else has filed a proof of claim for this claim?

☐ No
☐ Yes. Who made the earlier filing? _____

GENERAL PROOF OF CLAIM**Part 2: Give Information About the Claim as of the Date the Case Was Filed**

6. Do you have any number you use to identify the debtor?	☐ No ☐ Yes. Last 4 digits of the debtor's account or any number you use to identify the debtor: ____ ____ ____ ____
7. How much is the claim?	\$ _____. Does this amount include interest or other charges? ☐ No ☐ Yes. Attach statement itemizing interest, fees, expenses, or other charges required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c)(2)(A).
8. What is the basis of the claim?	Examples: Goods sold, money loaned, lease, services performed, personal injury or wrongful death, or credit card. Attach redacted copies of any documents supporting the claim required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c). Limit disclosing information that is entitled to privacy, such as health care information. _____
9. Is all or part of the claim secured?	☐ No ☐ Yes. The claim is secured by a lien on property. Nature of property: ☐ Real estate. If the claim is secured by the debtor's principal residence, file a <i>Mortgage Proof of Claim Attachment</i> (Official Form 410-A) with this <i>Proof of Claim</i> . ☐ Motor vehicle ☐ Other. Describe: _____ Basis for perfection: _____ Attach redacted copies of documents, if any, that show evidence of perfection of a security interest (for example, a mortgage, lien, certificate of title, financing statement, or other document that shows the lien has been filed or recorded.) Value of property: \$ _____ Amount of the claim that is secured: \$ _____ Amount of the claim that is unsecured: \$ _____ (The sum of the secured and unsecured amounts should match the amount in line 7.) Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition: \$ _____ Annual Interest Rate (when case was filed) _____ % ☐ Fixed ☐ Variable
10. Is this claim based on a lease?	☐ No ☐ Yes. Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition. \$ _____
11. Is this claim subject to a right of setoff?	☐ No ☐ Yes. Identify the property: _____

GENERAL PROOF OF CLAIM

12. Is all or part of the claim entitled to priority under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)?

☐ No

☐ Yes. *Check one:*

Amount entitled to priority

A claim may be partly priority and partly nonpriority. For example, in some categories, the law limits the amount entitled to priority.

☐ Domestic support obligations (including alimony and child support) under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(1)(A) or (a)(1)(B).

\$ _____

☐ Up to \$3,800* of deposits toward purchase, lease, or rental of property or services for personal, family, or household use. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(7).

\$ _____

☐ Wages, salaries, or commissions (up to \$17,150*) earned within 180 days before the bankruptcy petition is filed or the debtor's business ends, whichever is earlier. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(4).

\$ _____

☐ Taxes or penalties owed to governmental units. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(8).

\$ _____

☐ Contributions to an employee benefit plan. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(5).

\$ _____

☐ Other. Specify subsection of 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)() that applies.

\$ _____

* Amounts are subject to adjustment on 4/01/28 and every 3 years after that for cases begun on or after the date of adjustment.

Part 3: Sign Below

The person completing this proof of claim must sign and date it. FRBP 9011(b).

If you file this claim electronically, FRBP 5005(a)(3) authorizes courts to establish local rules specifying what a signature is.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and 3571.

Check the appropriate box:

☐ I am the creditor.

☐ I am the creditor's attorney or authorized agent.

☐ I am the trustee, or the debtor, or their authorized agent. Bankruptcy Rule 3004.

☐ I am a guarantor, surety, endorser, or other codebtor. Bankruptcy Rule 3005.

I understand that an authorized signature on this *Proof of Claim* serves as an acknowledgment that when calculating the amount of the claim, the creditor gave the debtor credit for any payments received toward the debt.

I have examined the information in this *Proof of Claim* and have a reasonable belief that the information is true and correct.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on date _____
MM / DD / YYYY

Signature

Print the name of the person who is completing and signing this claim:

Name _____
First name Middle name Last name

Title _____

Company _____
Identify the corporate servicer as the company if the authorized agent is a servicer.

Address _____
Number Street

City State ZIP Code

Contact phone _____ Email _____

Instructions for Proof of Claim

United States Bankruptcy Court

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These instructions and definitions generally explain the law. In certain circumstances, such as bankruptcy cases that debtors do not file voluntarily, exceptions to these general rules may apply. You should consider obtaining the advice of an attorney, especially if you are unfamiliar with the bankruptcy process and privacy regulations.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both.
18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157 and 3571.

How to fill out this form

- **Fill in all of the information about the claim as of the date the case was filed.**
- **If the claim has been acquired from someone else, then state the identity of the last party** who owned the claim or was the holder of the claim and who transferred it to you before the initial claim was filed.
- **Attach any supporting documents to this form.**
Attach redacted copies of any documents that show that the debt exists, a lien secures the debt, or both. (See the definition of *redaction* on the next page.)

Also attach redacted copies of any documents that show perfection of any security interest or any assignments or transfers of the debt. In addition to the documents, a summary may be added. Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (called “Bankruptcy Rule”) 3001(c) and (d).
- **Do not attach original documents because attachments may be destroyed after scanning.**
- **If the claim is based on delivering health care goods or services, do not disclose confidential health care information. Leave out or redact confidential information both in the claim and in the attached documents.**

- **A *Proof of Claim* form and any attached documents must show only the last 4 digits of any social security number, individual’s tax identification number, or financial account number, and only the year of any person’s date of birth.** See Bankruptcy Rule 9037.
- **For a minor child, fill in only the child’s initials and the full name and address of the child’s parent or guardian.** For example, write *A.B., a minor child (John Doe, parent, 123 Main St., City, State)*. See Bankruptcy Rule 9037.

Confirmation that the claim has been filed

To receive confirmation that the claim has been filed, either enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope and a copy of this form or you may access the claims agent’s website (www.bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/rcbf) to view the filed form.

Understand the terms used in this form

Administrative expense: Generally, an expense that arises after a bankruptcy case is filed in connection with operating, liquidating, or distributing the bankruptcy estate.
11 U.S.C. § 503.

Claim: A creditor’s right to receive payment for a debt that the debtor owed on the date the debtor filed for bankruptcy. 11 U.S.C. §101 (5). A claim may be secured or unsecured.

Creditor: A person, corporation, or other entity to whom a debtor owes a debt that was incurred on or before the date the debtor filed for bankruptcy. 11 U.S.C. § 101 (10).

Debtor: A person, corporation, or other entity who is in bankruptcy. Use the debtor's name and case number as shown in the bankruptcy notice you received. 11 U.S.C. § 101 (13).

Evidence of perfection: Evidence of perfection of a security interest may include documents showing that a security interest has been filed or recorded, such as a mortgage, lien, certificate of title, or financing statement.

Information that is entitled to privacy: A *Proof of Claim* form and any attached documents must show only the last 4 digits of any social security number, an individual's tax identification number, or a financial account number, only the initials of a minor's name, and only the year of any person's date of birth. If a claim is based on delivering health care goods or services, limit the disclosure of the goods or services to avoid embarrassment or disclosure of confidential health care information. You may later be required to give more information if the trustee or someone else in interest objects to the claim.

Priority claim: A claim within a category of unsecured claims that is entitled to priority under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a). These claims are paid from the available money or property in a bankruptcy case before other unsecured claims are paid. Common priority unsecured claims include alimony, child support, taxes, and certain unpaid wages.

Proof of claim: A form that shows the amount of debt the debtor owed to a creditor on the date of the bankruptcy filing. The form must be filed in the district where the case is pending.

Redaction of information: Masking, editing out, or deleting certain information to protect privacy. Filers must redact or leave out information entitled to **privacy** on the *Proof of Claim* form and any attached documents.

Secured claim under 11 U.S.C. § 506(a): A claim backed by a lien on particular property of the debtor. A claim is secured to the extent that a creditor has the right to be paid from the property before other creditors are paid. The amount of a secured claim usually cannot be more than the value of the particular property on which the creditor has a lien. Any amount owed to a creditor that is more than the value of the particular property on which the creditor has a lien. Any amount owed to a creditor that is more than the value of the property normally may be an unsecured claim. But exceptions exist; for example, see 11 U.S.C. § 1322(b) and the final sentence of 1325(a).

Do not file these instructions with your form.

Examples of liens on property include a mortgage on real estate or a security interest in a car. A lien may be voluntarily granted by a debtor or may be obtained through a court proceeding. In some states, a court judgment may be a lien.

Setoff: Occurs when a creditor pays itself with money belonging to the debtor that it is holding, or by canceling a debt it owes to the debtor.

Uniform claim identifier: An optional 24-character identifier that some creditors use to facilitate electronic payment.

Unsecured claim: A claim that does not meet the requirements of a secured claim. A claim may be unsecured in part to the extent that the amount of the claim is more than the value of the property on which a creditor has a lien.

Offers to purchase a claim

Certain entities purchase claims for an amount that is less than the face value of the claims. These entities may contact creditors offering to purchase their claims. Some written communications from these entities may easily be confused with official court documentation or communications from the debtor. These entities do not represent the bankruptcy court, the bankruptcy trustee, or the debtor. A creditor has no obligation to sell its claim. However, if a creditor decides to sell its claim, any transfer of that claim is subject to Bankruptcy Rule 3001(e), any provisions of the Bankruptcy Code (11 U.S.C. § 101 et seq.) that apply, and any orders of the bankruptcy court that apply.

PLEASE SEND COMPLETED PROOF(S) OF CLAIM TO:

If Proof of Claim is sent by mail, send to:

Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC
Re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno
P.O. Box 2053
New York, NY 10272-2042

If Proof of Claim is sent by Overnight Courier or Hand Delivery, send to:

Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC
C/O Angeion Group
Re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno
200 Vesey Street, 24th Floor
New York, NY 10281

Alternatively, your proof of claim may be filed electronically on DRC's website at:

<https://www.bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/Clients/rcbf/FileClaim>

Exhibit 2

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, FRESNO DIVISION

In re

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF
FRESNO,

Debtor-In-Possession

Case No. 25-12231-B-11

Chapter 11

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SURVIVOR CLAIM FORM

IMPORTANT

**PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM SO THAT IT IS RECEIVED BY FEBRUARY 2, 2026
(THE "BAR DATE")**

DO NOT FILE THIS DOCUMENT WITH THE BANKRUPTCY COURT

The Survivor Claim Form is for Survivor Claimants only. The Survivor Claim Form has two components: (1) a mandatory three-page "Official Form 410" ("Survivor Proof of Claim"), and (2) an optional Survivor Supplement ("Survivor Supplement" and together with the Survivor Proof of Claim, the "Survivor Claim Form"), both of which are attached hereto and **strictly confidential**. When submitting your Survivor Proof of Claim, you are **strongly encouraged** to also complete the optional Survivor Supplement and include it as an attachment to your Survivor Proof of Claim. Submitting the completed Survivor Supplement at the outset will help streamline the process of identifying claims and all applicable insurance and expedite distributions to creditors. Providing all of the information requested in this Survivor Supplement will allow for a better understanding of the facts supporting your sexual abuse claim against the Debtor. This information will be used in, among other things, efforts to consensually resolve the issues in this chapter 11 case. Additionally, providing the information requested in the Survivor Supplement may reduce the likelihood that the parties to the bankruptcy case will need to seek more information from you through a deposition, written interrogatories, or other methods of discovery.

Please carefully read the Notice included with the Survivor Claim Form and respond to all applicable questions to the best of your ability. If you have an attorney, you should complete this form with the assistance of counsel. Send the executed and completed Survivor Claim Form as follows:

If by mail, to:

Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC
Re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno
P.O. Box 2053
New York, NY 10272-2042

If by hand-delivery or overnight courier, to:

Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC
c/o Angeion Group
Re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno
200 Vesey Street, 24th Floor
New York, NY 10281

You may also submit your claim electronically at:

<https://bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/Clients/rcbf/FileSurvivorClaim>

Your Survivor Claim Form (the Survivor Proof of Claim and, if you choose, Survivor Supplement) must be mailed, delivered, or electronically submitted to Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC ("DRC") so that it is received no later than February 2, 2026. Please note that a Survivor Claim Form submitted by facsimile, telecopy, or electronic mail transmission will not be accepted and will not be deemed filed.

FAILURE TO COMPLETE AND RETURN A PROOF OF CLAIM MAY RESULT IN YOUR INABILITY TO RECEIVE A DISTRIBUTION FROM THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF FRESNO, ALSO KNOWN AS THE DIOCESE OF FRESNO (REFERRED TO HERE AS THE “DEBTOR”), AND VOTE ON A PLAN OF REORGANIZATION.

YOUR IDENTITY WILL BE KEPT STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL AND OUTSIDE THE PUBLIC RECORD OF THE BANKRUPTCY COURT. HOWEVER, THE SURVIVOR PROOF OF CLAIM AND THE INFORMATION IN THE SURVIVOR SUPPLEMENT WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE DEBTOR, THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS, CERTAIN INSURERS OF THE DEBTOR, AND TO SUCH OTHER PERSONS AS THE BANKRUPTCY COURT DETERMINES NEED THE INFORMATION IN ORDER TO EVALUATE THE CLAIM, ONLY UNDER STRICT, COURT-APPROVED CONFIDENTIALITY PROTOCOLS.

For the purposes of the Survivor Claim Form a **Survivor Claim** is defined as any claim (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(5)) against the Debtor resulting or arising or related to in whole or in part, directly or indirectly from any actual or alleged sexual conduct or misconduct, grooming, sexual abuse or molestation, indecent assault and/or battery, rape, pedophilia, ephebophilia, or sexually-related physical, psychological, or emotional harm, or contacts, or interactions of a sexual nature between a child and an adult, or a nonconsenting adult and another adult, sexual assault, sexual battery, sexual psychological or emotional abuse, humiliation, intimidation, any other conduct constituting a sexual offense, or any other sexual misconduct, and seeking monetary damages or any other relief based upon the conduct described above, under any theory of liability, including but not limited to, vicarious liability, any negligence-based theory, conspiracy, fraudulent concealment, intentional tort, continuing tort, public nuisance, invasion of privacy, breach of alleged duties imposed by *The Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, Canon Law, or other Catholic Church documents or principles, contribution, indemnity, or any other theory based upon any acts or failures to act by the Debtor or any other person or entity for whose acts or failures to act the Debtor is or may be responsible, including but not limited to, claims against clergy, deacons, seminarians, employees, teachers, or volunteers. A Survivor Claim includes all claims for Childhood Sexual Assault, as that term is defined by California Code of Civil Procedure § 340.1(c).

A **Survivor Claimant** is defined as the person asserting a Survivor Claim against the Debtor, or if a minor or legally incapacitated adult, then his/her/their parent or legal guardian or custodian.

Abuse is defined as conduct giving rise to a Survivor Claim.

To be valid, the Survivor Claim Form must be signed by you or your attorney (if you are represented by one). If the Survivor Claimant is deceased or incapacitated, the Survivor Claim Form may be signed by the Survivor Claimant’s representative, executor of the estate, or the attorney for the estate. If the Survivor Claimant is a minor or legally incapacitated adult, the Survivor Claim Form may be signed by the Survivor Claimant’s parent or legal guardian or legal custodian, or the Survivor Claimant’s attorney.

If you need more space to answer any of the below questions, please attach additional sheets of paper and indicate what question to which your answer applies.

SURVIVOR PROOF OF CLAIM

Fill in this information to identify the case:

Debtor 1 The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno
 Debtor 2 _____
 (Spouse, if filing)
 United States Bankruptcy Court for the: Eastern District of California
 Case number 25-12231-B-11

DO NOT FILE THIS DOCUMENT WITH THE BANKRUPTCY COURT. SEND A SIGNED ORIGINAL BY MAIL, HAND DELIVERY, OR OVERNIGHT COURIER TO: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno, c/o Angeion Group, 200 Vesey Street, 24th Floor, New York, NY 10281; OR ELECTRONICALLY AT: <https://bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/Clients/rcbf/FileSurvivorClaim>.

Official Form 410

Proof of Claim

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Read the instructions before filling out this form. This form is for making a claim for payment in a bankruptcy case. Do not use this form to make a request for payment of an administrative expense. Make such a request according to 11 U.S.C. § 503.

Filers must leave out or redact information that is entitled to privacy on this form or on any attached documents. Attach redacted copies of any documents that support the claim, such as promissory notes, purchase orders, invoices, itemized statements of running accounts, contracts, judgments, mortgages, and security agreements. **Do not send original documents;** they may be destroyed after scanning. If the documents are not available, explain in an attachment.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and 3571.

Fill in all the information about the claim as of the date the case was filed. That date is on the notice of bankruptcy (Form 309) that you received.

Part 1: Identify the Claim

1. Who is the current creditor?

Name of the current creditor (the person or entity to be paid for this claim) _____
 Other names the creditor used with the debtor _____

2. Has this claim been acquired from someone else?

☐ No
☐ Yes. From whom? _____

3. Where should notices and payments to the creditor be sent?

Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (FRBP) 2002(g)

Where should notices to the creditor be sent?

Name _____
 Number _____ Street _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____
 Contact phone _____
 Contact email _____

Where should payments to the creditor be sent? (if different)

Name _____
 Number _____ Street _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____
 Contact phone _____
 Contact email _____

Uniform claim identifier (if you use one):

4. Does this claim amend one already filed?

☐ No
☐ Yes. Claim number on court claims registry (if known) _____

Filed on _____
 MM / DD / YYYY

5. Do you know if anyone else has filed a proof of claim for this claim?

☐ No
☐ Yes. Who made the earlier filing? _____

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Part 2: Give Information About the Claim as of the Date the Case Was Filed

6. **Do you have any number you use to identify the debtor?** ☐ No
☐ Yes. Last 4 digits of the debtor's account or any number you use to identify the debtor: ____ ____ ____ ____

7. How much is the claim? \$_____ Does this amount include interest or other charges?

☐ No

☐ Yes. Attach statement itemizing interest, fees, expenses, or other charges required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c)(2)(A).

8. What is the basis of the claim?	Examples: Goods sold, money loaned, lease, services performed, personal injury or wrongful death, or credit card. Attach redacted copies of any documents supporting the claim required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c). Limit disclosing information that is entitled to privacy, such as health care information.
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9. Is all or part of the claim secured? ☐ No
☐ Yes. The claim is secured by a lien on property.

Nature of property:

☐ Real estate. If the claim is secured by the debtor's principal residence, file a *Mortgage Proof of Claim Attachment* (Official Form 410-A) with this *Proof of Claim*.

☐ Motor vehicle

☐ Other. Describe: _____

Basis for perfection: _____

Attach redacted copies of documents, if any, that show evidence of perfection of a security interest (for example, a mortgage, lien, certificate of title, financing statement, or other document that shows the lien has been filed or recorded.)

Value of property: \$ _____

Amount of the claim that is secured: \$ _____

Amount of the claim that is unsecured: \$ _____ (The sum of the secured and unsecured amounts should match the amount in line 7.)

Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition: \$ _____

Annual Interest Rate (when case was filed) _____ %

☐ Fixed

☐ Variable

10. Is this claim based on a lease? ☐ No ☐ Yes. Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition. \$

11. Is this claim subject to a right of setoff? ☐ No
☐ Yes. Identify the property: _____

SURVIVOR PROOF OF CLAIM

12. Is all or part of the claim entitled to priority under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)?

☐ No

☐ Yes. *Check one:*

Amount entitled to priority

A claim may be partly priority and partly nonpriority. For example, in some categories, the law limits the amount entitled to priority.

☐ Domestic support obligations (including alimony and child support) under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(1)(A) or (a)(1)(B).

\$ _____

☐ Up to \$3,800* of deposits toward purchase, lease, or rental of property or services for personal, family, or household use. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(7).

\$ _____

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\$ _____

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\$ _____

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\$ _____

☐ Other. Specify subsection of 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)() that applies.

\$ _____

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I understand that an authorized signature on this *Proof of Claim* serves as an acknowledgment that when calculating the amount of the claim, the creditor gave the debtor credit for any payments received toward the debt.

I have examined the information in this *Proof of Claim* and have a reasonable belief that the information is true and correct.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on date _____
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Signature

Print the name of the person who is completing and signing this claim:

Name _____
First name Middle name Last name

Title _____

Company _____
Identify the corporate servicer as the company if the authorized agent is a servicer.

Address _____
Number Street

City State ZIP Code

Contact phone _____ Email _____

SURVIVOR SUPPLEMENT

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, FRESNO DIVISION

In re

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF
FRESNO,

Debtor-In-Possession

Case No. 25-12231-B-11

Chapter 11

**SURVIVOR SUPPLEMENT TO SURVIVOR
PROOF OF CLAIM (FOR USE BY SURVIVOR
CLAIMANTS TO ASSERT A SURVIVOR CLAIM)****IMPORTANT****DO NOT FILE THIS DOCUMENT WITH THE BANKRUPTCY COURT**

This **optional** supplement (“Survivor Supplement”) to Official Form 410 (“Survivor Proof of Claim”) is not required to be filed for holders of Survivor Claims¹ to have their Survivor Proofs of Claim be deemed properly submitted. However, any person asserting a Survivor Claim is encouraged to voluntarily complete this form in full and submit it with the Survivor Proof of Claim. Completing this Survivor Supplement in full will allow for a better understanding of the facts supporting your Survivor Claim against The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno, also known as the Diocese of Fresno (referred to here as the “Debtor”). This information will be used by the Debtor, the Committee, and other parties in interest, **who are all bound by strict confidentiality agreements** to, among other things, assist in their efforts to consensually resolve the issues in this Bankruptcy Case. Additionally, providing the information requested in this Survivor Supplement may reduce the likelihood that parties to the Bankruptcy Case will need to seek more information from you at some later date under more formal procedures (e.g., deposition, written interrogatories, or other methods of discovery). You may complete none, all, or any portion of this Survivor Supplement.

PART 1: CONFIDENTIALITY

The information you share will be kept strictly confidential. This Survivor Supplement and the information in it will be provided, pursuant to confidentiality procedures approved by the Bankruptcy Court, to the Debtor, certain insurers of the Debtor, the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, the United States Trustee, and to such other persons as the Bankruptcy Court may authorize. Please be assured that these parties have agreed and are required to keep your information strictly confidential.

¹ Undefined capitalized terms in this Survivor Supplement shall have the same meanings ascribed to them in the Instructions for Survivor Claim Form and Survivor Bar Date Notice.

SURVIVOR SUPPLEMENT**PART 2: IDENTIFYING INFORMATION****A. Survivor Claimant**

First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	Suffix
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Address (If party is incapacitated, is a minor or is deceased, please provide the address of the individual submitting the claim. If you are in jail or prison, your current address.)

City	State/Prov.	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if other than USA)
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Telephone No(s):

Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Email address: _____

Last 4 digits of Social Security Number: _____

If you are incarcerated, your jail or prison identification number: _____

May we leave voicemails for you regarding your claim? ☐ Yes ☐ No

May we send confidential information to your email? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Birth Date: _____ Gender: _____
 Month Day Year

Any other name(s) by which the Claimant has been known: _____

B. Survivor Claimant's Attorney (if any)

Law Firm Name

Attorney's First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name
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Street Address

City	State/Prov.	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if other than USA)
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Telephone	Fax Number	Email Address
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SURVIVOR SUPPLEMENT

PART 3: NATURE OF COMPLAINT

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Note: If you have filed a lawsuit against The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno, also known as the Diocese of Fresno (the “Debtor”), in state or federal court, please attach the complaint with any Fact Sheets and Notices of Adoptions filed in that lawsuit. If you did not file a lawsuit, or if the complaint does not contain all of the information requested below, please provide the information below.

Please fill out this Part 3 and Part 4 for each Debtor-affiliated perpetrator.

- a. Who committed the acts of Abuse or other wrongful conduct? Please identify the person by complete name(s) or other description of each perpetrator to the best of your recollection. If you do not know the name(s) of each perpetrator, please identify them by title, position, or other description (*e.g.*, approximate age, height, weight, hair color, clothing worn, identifying marks, etc.).

- b. What was the perpetrator’s position, title, or relationship (professional or other) to you (if known)?

- c. Where did the Abuse or other wrongful conduct take place? Please be specific and complete all relevant information that you know, including the City and State, name of church, school, or parish (if applicable), and/or the name of any other location(s).

- d. When did the Abuse or other wrongful conduct take place? (Please be as specific as possible here. If you can, please indicate the month and year, grade level, etc. If you cannot recall the month, please try to recall the season (fall, winter, spring, or summer).)

1. If the Abuse or other wrongful conduct took place over a period of time (months or years), please state when it first started and when it stopped. (Please be as specific as possible. If you can, please indicate the month and year. If you cannot recall the month, please try to recall the season (fall, winter, spring, or summer).)

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2. If the Abuse or other wrongful conduct took place more than once, please state how many times it occurred. If you do not recall the exact number, please estimate.

3. Please state your age(s) and your grade(s) in school (if applicable) at the time the Abuse or other wrongful conduct took place. Please be as specific as possible.

- e. Please describe in as much detail as you can the nature of the Abuse and what happened (*e.g.*, circumstances, approximate number of occurrences, frequency, duration, and types of Abuse. Please use additional pages and attach them to this Proof of Claim as necessary).

- f. Were there any witnesses to the Abuse? If so, please identify the witnesses and their present location and contact information, if known.

- g. Are there any other individuals whom you believe knew about the Abuse and/or would be able to corroborate the Abuse, including persons currently or formerly employed by the Debtor? If so, what are their names?

- h. Did you tell anyone about the Abuse or other wrongful conduct, even if not in its entirety? If so, who did you tell, when, and what did you tell that person (this would include parents, relatives, friends, the Debtor, counselors, and law enforcement authorities)? You do not need to disclose any communications you had with your attorney.

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- i. Do you know if anyone told the Debtor or a church, school, parish, or organization affiliated with the Debtor about your abuse? If so, identify who told, who was told, and when.

- j. If subsequent wrongful conduct by the Debtor or its employees or officials caused you further trauma directly or indirectly related to the Abuse, please state:

1. When the conduct occurred:

2. What happened:

3. If known, identify by name, title, position, and/or relationship to you any individual involved in the conduct:

PART 4: IMPACT OF ABUSE

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Note: If more than one perpetrator is alleged, please answer the questions separately as to each perpetrator.

- a. Please describe in detail, being as specific as you can, what injuries (including physical, mental, and/or emotional) have occurred to you because of the act(s) of Abuse or other wrongful conduct that resulted in the claim (for example, the effect on your education, employment, personal relationships, health, physical injuries, or anything else).

- b. Have you sought counseling or other treatment for your injuries? If so, with whom and when?

SURVIVOR SUPPLEMENT**PART 5: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- a. **Prior Bankruptcy Claims:** Have you, or has anyone on your behalf, filed any claims in any other bankruptcy case relating to the Abuse described in this claim?

☐ Yes ☐ No (If Yes, please attach a copy of any completed claim form.)

If Yes, which case(s): _____

- b. **Prior Non-Bankruptcy Claims:** Have you, or anyone on your behalf, asserted or filed any claim or lawsuit seeking damages for the Abuse described in this claim?

☐ Yes ☐ No (If Yes, please attach a copy of any complaint in such lawsuit.)

If Yes, which case(s): _____

If Yes, did you file a certificate of merit (described in Cal. Code of Civ. Proc. § 340.1(f))?

☐ Yes ☐ No

- c. **Other Claims or Settlements:** Have you ever asserted a claim against the Debtor, or against any entity or individual other than the Debtor (including, but not limited to, any parish, church, school, or other organization) relating to Abuse or other wrongful conduct described in this claim?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please describe: when you asserted the claim, against whom the claim was asserted, the manner in which the claim was asserted (*e.g.*, a complaint made to law enforcement, a lawsuit, a demand letter, participation in a settlement program, etc.), the result of such claim (including, for example, whether such claim resulted in a settlement, payment for counseling, or was adjudicated, and the outcome of such adjudication). You are required to attach a copy of any settlement agreement.

- d. **Bankruptcy:** Have you ever filed bankruptcy? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, please provide the following information:

Name of Case: _____ Court: _____

Date Filed: _____ Case No.: _____

Chapter: 7 11 12 13 Name of Trustee: _____

SURVIVOR SUPPLEMENT

Sign and print your name. If you are signing the claim on behalf of another person or estate, print your title.

Under penalty of perjury, I declare the foregoing statements to be true and correct.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____
(Relationship of signer to party on behalf of whom claim is being made, *e.g.*, parent, family member, guardian, custodian, attorney, executor of estate)

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to five years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152 and 3571.

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT	
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, FRESNO DIVISION	
In re	Case No. 25-12231-B-11
THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF FRESNO,	Chapter 11
Debtor-In-Possession	SURVIVOR CLAIM FORM CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

This Agreement (“Agreement”) is entered into as of _____.

The undersigned (the “Recipient”) is a Permitted Party pursuant to the *Order (1) Setting Claims Bar Date; (2) Approving Proof of Claim Forms; (3) Approving Bar Date Notices; and (4) Establishing Confidentiality Protocols* (the “Bar Date Order”)¹ by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California (the “Court”) in Case No. 25-12231-B-11, entitled *In re The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno* (the “Bankruptcy Case”).

WHEREAS, the Recipient requests access to Survivor Claim Forms (consisting of the Survivor Proof of Claim and Survivor Supplement) filed in the Bankruptcy Case after execution of this Agreement pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of the Bar Date Order;

WHEREAS, Recipient agrees to keep the information provided in any and all Survivor Claim Forms strictly confidential pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of the Bar Date Order and this Agreement.

WHEREAS, except as stated in the Bar Date Order, access to the Survivor Claim Forms extends only to the natural person who executes this Agreement, and a separate Agreement must be signed by each natural person who seeks access to the Survivor Claim Forms on behalf of a Permitted Party.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Recipient agrees to keep the information provided in the Survivor Claim Forms (including Survivor Proofs of Claim and/or Survivor Supplements) confidential pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of the Bar Date Order.

¹ Undefined capitalized terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Bar Date Order.

1 2. Recipient agrees to not distribute any Survivor Claim Forms and/or information
2 contained therein in violation of the Confidentiality Protocols in the Bar Date Order.

3 3. Recipient agrees that only the natural person who executes this Agreement will have
4 access to the Survivor Claim Forms unless Recipient is a Permitted Party pursuant to paragraph
5 15(d) of the Bar Date Order, in which case the Bar Date Order shall govern the means of execution
6 of a single binding Agreement with respect to such Permitted Party.

7 4. Recipient will only communicate information from the Survivor Claim Forms
8 (including Survivor Proofs of Claim and/or Survivor Supplements) with other Permitted Parties who
9 have executed a confidentiality agreement pursuant to the Bar Date Order.

10 5. Recipient consents to the jurisdiction of the Court to adjudicate any violation of this
11 Agreement or the Bar Date Order.

12 6. Recipient shall report any disclosure of information from a Survivor Claim Form
13 (including Survivor Proof of Claim and/or Survivor Supplement) to counsel for the Debtor and
14 Committee within seven days of becoming aware of such disclosure and shall cooperate with efforts
15 to recover the information and/or mitigate the effects of the disclosure.

16 Dated: _____

17 Signature: _____

18 Print Name: _____

19 Name of Law Firm (if applicable): _____

20 Name of Party Represented: _____

21 Name of Company/Entity: _____

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, FRESNO DIVISION

In re

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF
FRESNO,

Debtor-In-Possession

Case No. 25-12231-B-11

Chapter 11

**NOTICE OF BAR DATE FOR FILING A
GENERAL PROOF OF CLAIM¹**

**TO ALL PERSONS AND ENTITIES WITH CLAIMS AGAINST THE ROMAN
CATHOLIC BISHOP OF FRESNO:**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on July 1, 2025 (the “Petition Date”), The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno aka the Diocese of Fresno (the “Debtor”), the debtor and debtor in possession in the above-captioned case (the “Bankruptcy Case”), filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California (the “Court”). Information related to this Bankruptcy Case may be obtained online at: <https://www.bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/rcbf/>.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Court entered an order (the “Bar Date Order”) establishing **February 2, 2026**, as the claims bar date (“Bar Date”). In Section III of this notice (this “General Bar Date Notice”), you will find directions for filing, by mail and electronically, a proof of claim against the Debtor.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that for your convenience, the Debtor has enclosed with this General Bar Date Notice a proof of claim form (the “General Proof of Claim”). You may also obtain a copy of the General Proof of Claim online by visiting: <https://bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/Clients/rcbf/Static/POC> or by contacting Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC, at the email address or telephone number listed at the end of this General Bar Date Notice.

¹ Survivor Claimants will receive a separate notice with additional instructions for filing confidential Survivor Claim Forms.

KEY DEFINITIONS

As used in this General Creditor Bar Date Notice, the terms:

1. “Entity” has the meaning given to it in 11 U.S.C. § 101(15), and includes all persons (individuals, partnerships, and corporations), estates, trusts, Governmental Units, and the United States Trustee.
2. “Governmental Unit” has the meaning given to it in 11 U.S.C. § 101(27), and includes the United States, states, commonwealths, districts, territories, municipalities, foreign states, or departments, agencies, or instrumentalities of the foregoing.
3. “Claim” shall mean, as to or against the Debtor and in accordance with 11 U.S.C. § 101(5): (i) any right to payment, whether or not such right is reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, or unsecured; or (ii) any right to an equitable remedy for breach of performance if such breach gives rise to a right to payment, whether or not such right to an equitable remedy is reduced to judgment, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured, or unsecured.

PRELIMINARY INSTRUCTIONS

Claims based on acts or omissions of the Debtor that occurred before July 1, 2025, must be received on or prior to the Bar Date, even if such claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain, or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated, or certain before July 1, 2025.

PLEASE BE ADVISED that individuals asserting Claims arising from abuse for which such individuals believe The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno may be liable are instructed to file a confidential Survivor Claim Form as described in the Bar Date Order and the Survivor Bar Date Notice. Claimants may obtain copies of the Survivor Claim Form from the Debtor’s Claims and Noticing Agent, Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC, online at <https://bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/Clients/rcbf/Static/SurvivorClaims>.

PLEASE BE FURTHER ADVISED that a Claimant should consult an attorney if the Claimant has any questions, including whether such Claimant must file a Claim by submitting a General Proof of Claim.

I. WHAT IS THE BAR DATE AND WHO MUST FILE A GENERAL PROOF OF CLAIM?

The Bar Date: The Bar Date Order establishes **February 2, 2026**, as the deadline for filing proofs of claim by submitting a General Proof of Claim in this Bankruptcy Case. The Bar Date applies as follows:

1. **All Entities.** Except as set forth below, pursuant to the Bar Date Order, all Entities, including Governmental Units (as defined by 11 U.S.C. § 101(27)), holding Claims against the Debtor (whether secured, unsecured, priority, or unsecured nonpriority) that arose or are deemed to have arisen prior to July 1, 2025, are required to file their Claims by submitting a General Proof of Claim on or before the Bar Date, **February 2, 2026**.

Entities that MUST file Claims by submitting a General Proof of Claim by the Bar Date: Except as set forth in paragraph 2 below, the following Entities must file a Claim on or before the Bar Date:

- 1 a. Any person or entity holding a prepetition Claim against the Debtor that is not listed
2 on the Debtor's Schedules of Assets and Liabilities ("Schedules") or whose pre-
3 petition Claim is listed in the Schedules but is listed as "disputed," "contingent," or
4 "unliquidated," and who desires to participate in this case or share in any distribution
5 in this case, including Claims based on 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(9); and
6 b. Any person or entity who believes that its pre-petition Claim is improperly classified
7 in the Schedules or is listed in an incorrect amount and who desires to have its claim
8 allowed in a classification or amount other than that identified in the Schedules,
9 including Claims based on 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(9).
- 10 2. **Entities NOT Required to File Claims by the Bar Date:** The Bar Date order further
11 provides that the following Entities need not file a Claim by submitting a General Proof of
12 Claim by the Bar Date:
13 a. Any person or entity that has already properly filed a proof of claim for their Claim
14 against the Debtor by filing a General Proof of Claim with the Clerk of the Court for
15 the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California or with
16 Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC, the Debtor's Claims and Noticing Agent;
17 b. Any person or entity: (i) whose Claim is listed in the Schedules or any amendments
18 thereto, and (ii) whose Claim is not described therein as "disputed," "contingent," or
19 "unliquidated," and (iii) who does not dispute the amount or classification of its
20 Claim as set forth in the Schedules;
21 c. Professionals retained by the Debtor or the Committee pursuant to orders of this
22 Court, who assert administrative claims for payment of fees and expenses subject to
23 the Court's approval pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 330, 331, and 503(b);
24 d. Any person or entity that asserts a Claim for administrative expenses against the
25 Debtor under 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(1) through (b)(8);
26 e. Any person or entity whose Claim against the Debtor has been allowed by an order
27 of the Court entered on or before the Bar Date;
28 f. Any person or entity whose Claim has been paid in full;
g. Any holder of a Claim for which a separate deadline is (or has been) fixed by the
Court; and
h. The United States Trustee for quarterly fees under 28 U.S.C. § 1930(a)(6).

II. **CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM**

Any entity that is required to file a Claim by submitting a General Proof of Claim, but fails to do so by the Bar Date described in this General Bar Date Notice: (i) may not be treated as a creditor with respect to such Claim for the purposes of voting on and sharing in a distribution under any chapter 11 plan proposed and/or confirmed in this Bankruptcy Case; and (ii) may be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from asserting such Claim against the Debtor (or filing a proof of claim with respect thereto), and the Debtor and its property may be forever discharged from any and all indebtedness or liability with respect to such Claim.

RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

The Debtor reserves the right to: (i) dispute, or to assert offsets or defenses against, any filed Claim or any Claim listed or reflected in the Schedules as to nature, amount, liability, classification, or otherwise; and (ii) subsequently designate any Claim as disputed, contingent, or unliquidated. Nothing contained in this General Bar Date Notice shall preclude the Debtor from objecting to any Claim, whether scheduled or filed, on any grounds.

III. PROCEDURE FOR FILING PROOFS OF CLAIM

Unless one of the exceptions described in **Section I, Paragraph 2** applies, you **MUST** assert your Claim by submitting an original General Proof of Claim by mail, overnight delivery, courier or hand delivery, or electronically, so that it is received by the Bar Date as follows:

If General Proof of Claim is sent by mail, to:

Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC
Re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno
P.O. Box 2053
New York, NY 10272-2042

If General Proof of Claim is sent by Hand Delivery or Overnight Courier, to:

Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC
c/o Angeion Group
Re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno
200 Vesey Street, 24th Floor
New York, NY 10281

If General Proof of Claim is submitted electronically:

<https://bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/Clients/rcbf/FileClaim>

Any General Proof of Claim submitted by facsimile or email **will not** be accepted and **will not** be deemed filed until the Claim is submitted by the method described above.

All General Proof of Claim must be signed by the creditor, or if the creditor is not an individual, by an authorized agent of the creditor. The General Proof of Claim must be written in English and be denominated in United States currency. In addition, all General Proof of Claim must include all documentation required by Rules 3001(c) and 3001(d), including an original or a copy of any written document that forms the basis of the Claim, or for secured Claims, evidence that the alleged security interest has been perfected. If you wish to receive acknowledgment of receipt of your General Proof of Claim, you must also submit by the Bar Date, and concurrently with submission of your original General Proof of Claim: (i) one additional copy of your original General Proof of Claim; and (ii) a self-addressed, stamped return envelope.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. You may be listed as the holder of a Claim against the Debtor in the Schedules. If you choose to rely on the Schedules, it is your responsibility to determine that the claim is accurately listed in the Schedules. If you hold or assert a Claim that is not listed in the Schedules or if you disagree with the amount or priority of your Claim as listed in the Schedules, or your claim is listed in the Schedules as either contingent, unliquidated, or disputed, you must file a proof of claim. Copies of the Schedules and the Bar Date Order are available online at the following address: <https://www.bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/rcbf/>.

2. Questions concerning the contents of this General Creditor Bar Date Notice and requests for General Creditor Proof of Claim should be directed to Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC via email at rcbinfo@angeiongroup.com or by phone at 1-800-813-0529 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time), Monday through Friday. Please note that Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC. is not permitted to give legal advice. You should consult your own attorney for assistance regarding any other inquiries, such as questions concerning the completion or filing of a proof of claim.

Dated: November __, 2025

McCORMICK, BARSTOW, SHEPPARD,
WAYTE & CARRUTH LLP

By: _____

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, FRESNO DIVISION

In re

Case No. 25-12231-B-11

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF
FRESNO,

Chapter 11

Debtor-In-Possession

**NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR FILING
CLAIMS RELATING TO OR ARISING
FROM SEXUAL ABUSE**

**TO ALL PERSONS AND ENTITIES WITH CLAIMS ARISING FROM SEXUAL ABUSE
FOR WHICH THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF FRESNO MAY BE LIABLE:**

**FEBRUARY 2, 2026, IS THE LAST DAY TO FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM FOR
CLAIMS RELATING TO OR ARISING FROM SEXUAL ABUSE.**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on July 1, 2025 (the “Petition Date”), The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno aka the Diocese of Fresno (the “Debtor”), the debtor and debtor in possession in the above-captioned case (the “Bankruptcy Case”), filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California (the “Court”). Information related to this Bankruptcy Case may be obtained online at: <https://www.bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/rcbf/>. Any person who believes that he, she, or they has, or may have, a claim arising from Abuse (described below) for which the person believes the Debtor may be liable (each, a “Survivor Claim”) should carefully read this notice.

KEY DEFINITIONS

The following definitions apply for the purposes of filing a Survivor Claim against the Debtor:

1. “Survivor Claim” is defined as any Claim (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(5) and above) against the Debtor resulting or arising or related to in whole or in part, directly or indirectly from any actual or alleged sexual conduct or misconduct, grooming, sexual abuse or molestation, indecent assault and/or battery, rape, pedophilia, ephebophilia, or sexually-

1 related physical, psychological, or emotional harm, or contacts, or interactions of a sexual
2 nature between a child and an adult, or a nonconsenting adult and another adult, sexual
3 assault, sexual battery, sexual psychological or emotional abuse, humiliation, intimidation,
4 any other conduct constituting a sexual offense, or any other sexual misconduct, and seeking
5 monetary damages or any other relief based upon the conduct described above, under any
6 theory of liability, including but not limited to, vicarious liability, any negligence-based
7 theory, conspiracy, fraudulent concealment, intentional tort, continuing tort, public nuisance,
8 invasion of privacy, breach of alleged duties imposed by *The Charter for the Protection of*
9 *Children and Young People*, Canon Law, or other Church documents or principles,
10 contribution, indemnity, or any other theory based on any acts or failure to act the Debtor is
11 or may be responsible, including but not limited to, claims against clergy, deacons,
12 seminarians, employees, teachers, or volunteers. A Survivor Claim includes all claims for
13 Childhood Sexual Assault, as that term is defined by Cal. Code Civ. Proc. § 340.1(c).

14 2. “Survivor Claimant” is defined as the person asserting a Survivor Claim against the Debtor,
15 or if a minor or legally incapacitated adult, then his/her/their parent or legal guardian or
16 custodian.

17 3. “Abuse” means any conduct giving rise to a Survivor Claim.

18 **I. FILING DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 2, 2026**

19 The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California entered an order
20 (the “Bar Date Order”) establishing **February 2, 2026**, as the last day (the “Survivor Bar Date”) for
21 each Survivor Claimant to file (1) a mandatory, three-page “Official Form 410” (“Survivor Proof of
22 Claim”), and (2) an **optional** Survivor Supplement (“Survivor Supplement” and together with a
23 Survivor Proof of Claim, the “Survivor Claim Form”), both of which are **confidential**. The Survivor
24 Bar Date and the procedures set forth below for filing proofs of claim apply to all Survivor Claims
25 against the Debtor.

26 **II. WHO MUST FILE**

27 If you believe that you have a Survivor Claim, you must file a Survivor Proof of Claim (the
28 enclosed Official Form 410) to maintain and/or preserve any claims that you have against the Debtor
and are strongly encouraged to also complete the optional Survivor Supplement and include it as an
attachment to your Survivor Proof of Claim. Even if you have already filed a lawsuit against the
Debtor alleging Abuse, you must still file a Survivor Claim to maintain and/or preserve your rights
in the Debtor’s chapter 11 case. No other material is required except the Survivor Proof of Claim
(Official Form 410) but you are encouraged to provide the additional information requested in the
enclosed optional Survivor Supplement.

III. WHAT TO FILE

**FILE A SURVIVOR PROOF OF CLAIM (OFFICIAL FORM 410) AND AN
OPTIONAL SURVIVOR SUPPLEMENT, COPIES OF WHICH ARE ENCLOSED. YOU
MAY ALSO OBTAIN A COPY OF THE SURVIVOR PROOF OF CLAIM AND SURVIVOR
SUPPLEMENT BY FOLLOWING THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW. ALL SURVIVOR
PROOFS OF CLAIM AND SURVIVOR SUPPLEMENTS FILED BY A SURVIVOR
CLAIMANT WILL BE KEPT STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL AS DESCRIBED BELOW.**

1 **IV. PROCEDURES FOR FILING A SURVIVOR CLAIM FORM**

2 To submit a Survivor Claim Form:

- 3 1. Fill out the Survivor Proof of Claim, and if you so choose, the optional Survivor Supplement.
4 A copy of each are provided with this Survivor Bar Date Notice, and can also be obtained
online at: <https://bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/Clients/rcbf/Static/SurvivorClaims>.
- 5 2. Survivor Claimants are strongly encouraged to complete and submit the optional Survivor
6 Supplement to the Survivor Proof of Claim. Providing all of the information requested in
7 this Survivor Supplement in full will allow the Debtor to understand the facts supporting
8 your Survivor Claim against the Debtor. This information will be used by the Debtor, the
9 Committee, and other parties in interest bound by the strictest confidentiality agreements in,
among other things, their efforts to consensually resolve the issues in this Bankruptcy Case.
10 Additionally, providing the information requested in the Survivor Supplement may reduce
the likelihood that parties to the Bankruptcy Case will need to seek more information from
11 you at some later date under more formal procedures (e.g., deposition, written
interrogatories, or other methods of discovery).
- 12 3. For additional copies of the Survivor Proof of Claim or Survivor Supplement: (a) photocopy
the Survivor Proof of Claim or Survivor Supplement; (b) contact the Debtor's claims and
13 noticing agent Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC, via email at rcbfinfo@angeiongroup.com
or by phone at 1-800-813-0529, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (prevailing
Eastern Time), Monday through Friday, or (c) visit Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC's
website at <https://www.bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/Clients/rcbf/Static/SurvivorClaims/>.
- 14 4. **Please note that the Debtor's staff is not permitted to give legal advice. You should
15 consult your own attorney for assistance regarding any other inquiries, such as
questions concerning the completion or filing of a proof of claim.**
- 16 5. Return the original, completed and executed Survivor Claim Form (mandatory Survivor
17 Proof of Claim and, if you so choose, the Survivor Supplement) **so that it is received** by
February 2, 2026, as follows:

18 **If Survivor Claim Form is sent by mail, to:**

19 Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC
20 Re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno
P.O. Box 2053
21 New York, NY 10272-2042

22 **If Survivor Claim Form is sent by Hand Delivery or Overnight Courier, to:**

23 Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC
c/o Angeion Group
24 Re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno
200 Vesey Street, 24th Floor
25 New York, NY 10281

26 **If Survivor Claim Form is submitted electronically:**

27 <https://bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/Clients/rcbf/FileSurvivorClaim>.

- 28 6. **Do not file** any component of the Survivor Claim Form (the Survivor Proof of Claim or the
optional Survivor Supplement) with the Bankruptcy Court.

7. Survivor Claim Forms will be deemed timely filed only if they are received by Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC, by **February 2, 2026**.

8. Please note that a Survivor Claim Form (Survivor Proof of Claim and optional Survivor Supplement) submitted by facsimile, telecopy, or electronic mail transmission will not be accepted and will not be deemed filed.

V. CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM

The deadline for filing a Survivor Claim Form is **February 2, 2026**. Any person who has a Survivor Claim and does not file a Survivor Proof of Claim by that date may not be treated as a creditor for voting or distribution purposes under any plan of reorganization and such claim will be subject to discharge. Failure to file a Survivor Proof of Claim may prevent such person from voting on any plan of reorganization in this case. Further, if such Survivor Claim is discharged, the Survivor Claimant may be forever barred and prevented from asserting his, her, or their Survivor Claim against the Debtor or its property and may not receive any payment or distribution in connection with such Survivor Claim.

VI. CONFIDENTIALITY

Pursuant to the Bar Date Order, any filed Survivor Claim Form (Survivor Proof of Claim and optional Survivor Supplement) will remain confidential in this Bankruptcy Case. Therefore, the Survivor Claim Form (Survivor Proof of Claim and optional Survivor Supplement) that you file will not be available to the general public, but will be kept strictly confidential, except that as specified by the Bar Date Order, information will be provided to the Debtor, the Debtor's attorneys, the United States Trustee's Office for the Eastern District of California, the Debtor's insurers, attorneys for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors and its members, any unknown claims representative appointed under a plan of reorganization, any settlement trustee appointed to administer payments to Survivor Claimants, and such other persons as the Court determines should have the information in order to evaluate the Survivor Claim, all of whom will have agreed, prior to obtaining any information, to keep the information provided by you Confidential.

Dated: November __, 2025

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In re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno, Case No. 25-12231-B-11
United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California

Notice of Deadline for Filing Claims: February 2, 2026

**YOU MAY HAVE A SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIM OR OTHER
CLAIM AGAINST THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF FRESNO**

On July 1, 2025, The Roman Catholic Bishop of Fresno aka the Diocese of Fresno filed a chapter 11 bankruptcy petition for protection under title 11 of the United States Code.

If you were sexually abused by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim so as to be received by February 2, 2026, or otherwise you will be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from asserting such claim against the Diocese.

Claims based on acts or omissions of the Diocese that occurred before July 1, 2025, must be filed on or before February 2, 2026, even if such claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated, or certain before July 1, 2025.



For more information on how to file a claim or about the bankruptcy, please visit: <https://www.bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/rcbf>, or contact the Debtor's claims and noticing agent, Donlin, Recano & Company, LLC, via email at: rcbfinfo@angeiongroup.com, or by phone at 1-800-813-0529; or visit the Debtor's website at <https://www.dioceseoffresno.org> and follow the links for Chapter 11 filing. You may also file a claim online at the following website: <https://bankruptcy.angeiongroup.com/Clients/rcbf/FileSurvivorClaim>.