

July 20, 2023

Re: In re The Roman Catholic Bishop of Santa Rosa (Case No. 23-10113)

Dear Survivor:

On March 13, 2023 the Roman Catholic Bishop of Santa Rosa (the “Diocese”) filed for bankruptcy relief in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California. Our law firm represents the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the “Committee”) appointed in the Diocese's bankruptcy case. The Committee is comprised of survivors of sexual abuse and it was appointed to represent the interests of all unsecured creditors in the Diocese's bankruptcy case, including any person entitled to assert a sexual abuse claim against the Diocese.

You are receiving this letter because the Diocese has identified you as someone that may have a sexual abuse claim. The Court has required all persons holding claims against the Diocese to complete and submit a proof of claim form. Completed claim forms must be received no later than **October 20, 2023**.

This letter is being delivered to you along with a package of materials that includes a notice of the claims bar date, a copy of an official claim form (Official Form 410), and something called a Confidential Survivor Supplement. **To assert a claim against the Diocese, you must fill out Official Form 410 and submit that form so that it is received no later than October 20, 2023.**

You are not *required* to fill out and submit the Confidential Survivor Supplement, but the Committee strongly recommends that you do so. The Committee believes that completing the Confidential Survivor Supplement will be beneficial to you and other survivors in the case because completed supplements will help the Debtor, the Committee, and the Debtor's insurance companies understand your claim more clearly. Once the details of all survivor claims are understood, the Committee believes that the case may resolve more quickly, recoveries for survivor claimants may be higher, additional attempts to get information from survivors (through depositions or other “discovery”) may become unnecessary, and costly and upsetting objections to survivor claims will become less likely to occur.

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Please note that any information you provide on the Confidential Survivor Supplement will be kept strictly confidential. Certain parties will have access to the information, such as the Diocese, its attorneys and insurers, legal counsel for the Committee, and the United States Trustee, but your information will only be shared with this limited group through confidentiality procedures imposed by the Bankruptcy Court.

Should you have any questions regarding the Confidential Survivor Supplement, please do not hesitate to contact the Committee at the following number: **(612) 335-1500.**

Sincerely,

Stinson LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert I. Kugler". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Robert Kugler