



March 7, 2005 - Archdiocese of Boston Settles Case Against Lumbermens Mutual Casualty Company

(Boston, Massachusetts) March 7, 2005...The Archdiocese of Boston today announced that it has reached a settlement in the case against one of its former insurance carriers, Lumbermens Mutual Casualty Company. The settlement was reached as a result of a mediation before Paul A. Finn of Commonwealth Mediation and Conciliation, Inc. Pursuant to the settlement, the case against Lumbermens, pending in federal district court in Boston, has been dismissed by joint stipulation of the parties.

The Archdiocese of Boston filed suit against Lumbermens Mutual Casualty Company in March 2004, shortly after the Archdiocese concluded the global settlement of some 541 sexual abuse claims. "We are pleased to have this matter resolved," stated Rev. John Connolly, Special Assistant to the Archbishop. "We are hopeful that, in the near future, we will be in a position to begin discussions about how to resolve pending cases." Negotiations with another insurer are still ongoing.

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