

# Review Board Membership

(formerly "Misconduct Commission")

**Richard Brown** (chairperson)

Richard Brown is an attorney with a private practice in Springfield. He earned a bachelor's degree from American International College in Springfield, and obtained his law degree from Western New England College.

After four years in private practice, he served for five years as an assistant district attorney for Hampden County, where he prosecuted chronic offenders before returning to private practice.

**Thomas Duane**

Thomas Duane is an investigator for the Berkshire Juvenile Court and Berkshire Family and Probate Court. He holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Scanton in Pennsylvania, and a master's degree in social science from Fordham University in Bronx, N.Y.

He began his long career in child protection as a Catholic Charities gang mediator in the Bronx. He moved to Pittsfield in 1954, and where he ran the Catholic Youth Center for three years.

From 1957 to 1967, he was the assistance administrator of the former St. Luke's Hospital. After the hospital merged into Berkshire Medical Center, he became the Berkshire County district executive for the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. He joined the court system in 1989, and worked with Catholic Charities in the Berkshires until he retired in 2002.

**Teresa Harris**

Teresa Harris earned a bachelor's degree from Our Lady of the Elms College in Chicopee, and a master's degree in guidance and psychological science from Springfield College. She holds another master's degree in social work from the University of Connecticut.

She began her professional career as a medical social worker at Mercy Hospital in Springfield. After five years, she worked for the Children's Aid and Family Service in Northampton.

Harris then served as a social worker for the Area Mental Health Clinic (now River Valley Counseling Center) in Holyoke. She then served for 31 years as the assistant executive director for the Children's Study Home in Springfield, where she developed the agency's protective services program under contract with the state DSS. She retired in 1998.

**Lois Lynch**

Lois Lynch, a licensed psychologist and social worker, holds a bachelor's degree in English from Our Lady of the Elms College in Chicopee, and a master's degree in education from Springfield College. She later earned advanced degrees in administration and counseling from the University of Connecticut, and in school psychology from American International College in

Springfield.

Lynch began her professional career as an elementary school teacher for the Springfield Public Schools. She later became an elementary school counselor and school psychologist.

She first became directly involved with the sexual abuse of children in 1980, when she became a part of an evaluation team and special education administrator for the school system. She retired in 2001.

**Edward J. Peck, Jr.**

Edward J. Peck Jr. is a retired justice of the Hampden County Housing Court. He has served on the commission since its establishment in 1992. Peck is a 1939 graduate of Holy Cross College and a 1942 graduate of Harvard Law School. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps from 1942-1945.

Peck served as the town of West Springfield's counsel for 21 years before his appointment to the court. He has also been an instructor at Western New England Law School in Springfield.

Peck is a member of the Hampden County and Massachusetts Bar Associations, as well as the Massachusetts Judges Conference.

**Virginia Reiter**

Virginia Reiter is a psychiatric nursing specialist. She holds a bachelor's degree in nursing from the University of Rochester in New York, and a master's degree in psychiatric nursing from Boston College. Reiter has extensive experience with children and adolescents in need of psychiatric care, and worked in secured and community settings with her clients in various parts of the country.

Reiter came to the Springfield area in 1978, establishing a private practice in Enfield, Conn. She established a child abuse prevention program for adolescent mothers for the state Office for Children's regional office in Springfield. Reiter became a professor of psychiatric nursing at American International College in Springfield in 1992, and retired from the school in 2002.

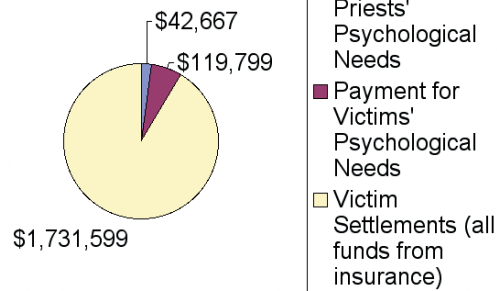
She is currently a counselor and nurse for the Curtis Blake School, a specialized school for students with learning disabilities.

**Elaine Tourtelotte**

Elaine Tourtelotte earned a bachelor's degree from Emmanuel College in Boston College and a master's degree in counseling from Boston College. After working for three years as an elementary teacher in the Boston Public Schools, she became an adjustment counselor for the Springfield Public Schools. She works at the Alice Beal School in the city's Forest Park neighborhood.

**Two Vacant Positions**

Sexual Abuse Costs



Payments for Priests' psychological needs: \$42,667  
 Payments for Victims' psychological needs: \$119,799  
 Settlements: \$1,731,599  
 (All funds from insurance)

## "Protecting Our Children" Trainings

### Parish Leadership

Date	Location	City	# in Attendance
6/17/03	Bishop Marshall Center	Springfield	90
6/18/03	Bishop Marshall Center	Springfield	35
6/19/03	Office of Religious Education	Pittsfield	30
6/19/03	Office of Religious Education	Pittsfield	10
6/24/03	St. Mary's	Northampton	35
<b>TOTAL 5</b>			<b>200</b>

### Volunteers

Date	Location	City	# in Attendance
2/23/03	St. Jude's	Indian Orchard	18
6/16/03	St. Michael's	East Longmeadow	44
8/5/03	Blessed Sacrament	Westfield	30
8/25/03	St. John's	Ludlow	21
8/27/03	St. Mary's	Ludlow	22
9/10/03	St. John's	Agawam	77
9/13/03	Blessed Sacrament	Springfield	20
9/13/03	Holy Trinity	Greenfield	115
9/14/03	Immaculate Conception	Easthampton	41
9/24/03	St. Stan's	Chicopee	132
10/2/03	Blessed Sacrament	Holyoke	32
10/5/03	Newman Center	UMASS	25
10/16/03	Holy Name	Springfield	30
10/22/03	St. Thomas	Palmer	40
10/26/03	St. Peter's	Great Barrington	25
10/28/03	St. Brigid's	Amherst	30
10/29/03	Blessed Sacrament	Pittsfield	70
11/2/03	CYO Coaches	Springfield	200
11/5/03	St. Catherine of Siena	Springfield	150
11/6/03	St. Cecelia's	Wilbraham	150
11/9/03	St. Mary's	Westfield	50
11/18/03	Notre Dame	Adams	62
12/3/03	Holy Name School	Springfield	42
12/4/03	St. Agnes	Dalton	59
<b>TOTAL 24</b>			<b>1,485</b>