

The Archdiocese of Seattle established the first board to assist the archbishop in this important and ongoing endeavor in 1986. This board was charged with assisting in the creation of policies regarding prevention of abuse by Church personnel, training, and screening procedures. In 1988 another board was created to assist the archbishop in responding to allegations of abuse and assessment regarding suitability of ministry for those accused. The current Archdiocesan Review Board addresses all of these issues in accordance with Church law, the United State Conference of Catholic Bishops' *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* and the *Essential Norms for Diocesan Policies Dealing with Allegations of Sexual Abuse of Minors by Priests or Deacons* and locally established Church policies. The board operates as an independent confidential consultative body that advises the archbishop on issues related to sexual abuse of minors by clergy and assists him in assessing allegations and fitness for ministry.

### **Review Board Members:**

#### **Lucy Berliner, MSW**

Director, Harborview Center for Sexual Assault and Traumatic Stress. Served in various capacities on previous Archdiocesan Committees and Review Boards.

#### **Andrei Dandescu, MA, LMHC, CSOTP**

Andrei is a psychotherapist in private practice in Seattle. His practice is focused on evaluation and counseling work related to sexuality, mood, trauma, and forensic issues.

#### **Joan Cole Duffell**

Executive Director, Committee for Children. This Seattle-based, international nonprofit organization conducts research and develops programs for the prevention of child abuse, youth violence and bullying.

#### **Jesse O. Franklin IV, Esq.**

Member, Schlemlein Fick & Scruggs, PLLC. Legal practice focused on consulting and litigation of design and construction, and real estate matters for private and public clients. Jesse is a former King County Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Criminal Division, Special Assault Unit. Parishioner at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church.

#### **Deacon Michael Riggio**

Deacon, St. Leo Church, Tacoma and Adjunct Faculty, Seattle University Law School. Michael is also a former deputy Pierce County prosecutor in the Special Assault Unit.

#### **Mary Ellen Stone, MS**

Executive Director, King County Sexual Assault Resource Center. Providing treatment, education and advocacy toward the elimination of sexual assault, KCSARC is the largest sexual assault victim's service organization in Washington.

#### **Very Reverend Gary Zender**

Vicar for Clergy and Pastor of St. Louise Parish in Bellevue, Washington

#### **Mary E. Santi**

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