

**The Roman Catholic Diocese of Erie, PA, has reached a two million dollar (\$2,000,000.00) settlement with “John Doe,” who was sexually abused as a minor child by Fr. David L. Poulson, a convicted pedophile.**

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***“John Doe” was allegedly sexually abused by Fr. David L. Poulson when Fr. Poulson was assigned to or affiliated with St. Michael’s Church in Fryburg, PA, from approximately 2002-2010, and St. Anthony of Padua Church in Cambridge Springs, PA, in late 2010. “John Doe” will not be attending the press conference.***

**What**

A press conference announcing a two million dollar settlement (\$2,000,000.00) of the claim of a minor male clergy sexual abuse victim of Fr. David L. Poulson

**When**

Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 11:30 am (EST)

**Where**

In a conference room of the Sheraton Erie Bayfront Hotel, 55 West Bay Drive, Erie, PA 16507

**Who**

**Attorney Mitchell Garabedian** of Boston, MA, the attorney for “John Doe” who will appear via Skype and via conference call; **Robert M. Hoatson**, Ph.D., Co-founder and President of Road to Recovery, Inc., a non-profit charity based in New Jersey that assists victims of sexual abuse and their families; and, **James Faluszcak**, MEd, M Div., (not the victim in this case), a clergy sexual abuse victim from the Erie Diocese, a former priest of the Diocese of Erie, and victims’ advocate. “John Doe” will not be attending.

**Why**

A courageous sexual abuse victim as a minor child, “John Doe,” has accepted a settlement of two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Erie, PA, after he reported having been sexually abused from approximately 2002-2010 by Fr. David L. Poulson when Fr. Poulson was assigned to or affiliated with St. Michael’s Church in Fryburg, PA, and St. Anthony of Padua Church in Cambridge Springs, PA in late 2010.

**JOINING VIDEO OR CONFERENCE CALL AT 11:30 AM WITH ATTORNEY**

(To participate in the Skype conference call with Attorney Garabedian at 11:30 am, please email [mgarabedian@garabedianlaw.com](mailto:mgarabedian@garabedianlaw.com) before 11:30 am and provide your Skype user name

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(portrayed by Stanley Tucci in the 2016 Academy Award-winning Best Picture, “Spotlight”)  
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