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## Archdiocese, Sexual Abuse Victim Reach Settlement

**Seattle**--The Catholic Archdiocese of Seattle announced today that they have reached settlement in a case involving past abuse by former pastor James McGreal. At the request of the victim, terms of the settlement were not disclosed.

"I offer my apology to the victim in this case and to all those who have experienced abuse by clergy," said Archbishop Alexander J. Brunett. "We as a church accept responsibility for the abuse as well as the pain this victim suffered as a result. We know that no words can make up for the pain he endured and continues to endure.

"We hope and pray that his healing can begin and we ask for his forgiveness. As always, I stand ready to meet with this victim or any victim of clergy abuse."

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