

VictimsSpeakDB.org announces the launch of the SACCADAS DB Profiler.

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SPRING VALLEY, NEW YORK, UNITED STATES, May 10, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- We are pleased to announce a new feature of the VictimsSpeakDB website, the <u>SACCADAS</u> <u>DB Profiler</u>. It provides summary statistics about Catholic clergy abuse for individual states/provinces, countries or regions included in <u>the SACCADAS database</u>. VictimsSpeakDB viewers can request profiles of individual states/ provinces, countries or regions by sending a Profile Request. Profiles of individual clerics, such as priests, brothers or nuns, are also available upon request.

The SACCADAS DB Profiler was created to provide summary data about specific locations and/or individuals. Not every user requires the detail provided on the dozens of charts on this website. In some cases, the user would like to obtain an overview of clergy abuse in his particular state/ province or by a specific abuser. Viewers can request a profile of a specific state/province or abuser by sending a Profile Request. We have included on this website a profile of the entire SACCADAS database as well a sample of an individual



state/province. The state/province we chose was the U.S. territory of the Guam. We chose Guam because the pattern exhibited in the data is a primary reason this website was created.

There are 67 records of victims abused in Guam. Of those 67 records, only one victim was abused in

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this century (in 2015). Of the remaining 66 records, 57 records represent victims abused prior to the 1980s. On the other hand, 57 records of the 67 records represented victims who made the first public accusation of abuse in the 2015-2017 time slot. Why? In September 2016, Guam enacted a law removing the statute of limitations on sex crimes against children. Fifty five of the 67 records are from victims who made their first accusation of abuse after September 2016. Clearly, eliminating the statute of limitations had a major effect. Moreover, when victims come forward it encourages

other victims to come forward who might otherwise have continued to remain silent. There is another interesting aspect to abuse in Guam. The most prolific abuser in Guam was Father Louis Brouillard. His abuse represents 37 out of the 67 records. Interestingly enough, not only did Father Brouillard sexually assault a large number of minors, but a large percentage of them came forward. This

compares to the overwhelming majority of abusers who are typically accused by three or fewer victims. It is expected that more victims abused by Father Brouillard will come forward. When victims come forward, it encourages other victims to come forward too. As we have indicated in a variety of venues, the statute of limitations needs to be expanded or eliminated. Guam is a great example of how a change in legislation can provide enormous, but long delayed benefits to the victims. Guam has demonstrated that justice delayed is not necessarily justice denied.

The VictimsSpeakDB (DataBase) website was created to provide statistical information about the abuse of children and vulnerable adults by Roman Catholic clergy. Also known as the SACCADAS (Survivor Accounts of Catholic Clergy Abuse, Denial, Accountability and Silence) database, it is derived exclusively from the first-hand accounts and experiences of the victims, or alleged victims. It is the only database which provides comparative information about abuse internationally, divided into five, not necessarily contiguous, regions: the United States, Australia/New Zealand, Canada, Developed Countries and LDCs (less-developed countries).

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