

IN THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA  
BEFORE A HEARING PANEL  
IN THE TITLE IV MATTER OF  
THE REVEREND DR. B. CAYCE RAMEY, RESPONDENT

To: The Rev. Dr. B. Cayce Ramey, Respondent  
The Rev. Edward O. Miller, Jr. Respondent's Advisor  
Jack W. Burtch, Jr. Esquire, Counsel to Respondent  
Bradfute W. Davenport, Jr., Esquire, Church Attorney  
The Rt. Rev. Susan E. Goff, Complainant

DECISION ON RESPONDENT COUNSEL'S MOTION TO REDACT  
EXHIBIT A TO CHURCH ATTORNEY'S MOTION FOR  
SANCTIONS

INTRODUCTION

Respondent's Counsel on December 13, 2023, filed a Motion to Redact Exhibit A to Church Attorney's Motion for Sanctions (hereinafter MOTION). The Church Attorney's Response to Respondent's Motion to Redact Exhibit A to Church Attorney's Motion for Sanctions (hereinafter RESPONSE) was filed on December 27, 2023. The Hearing Panel (hereinafter PANEL) after receiving notification by email that Respondent's Counsel and the Church Attorney agreed to waive oral argument on the MOTION and are willing to have the matter decided on the MOTION and RESPONSE filed Second Notice As To Respondent Counsel's Motion to Redact Exhibit A to Church Attorney's Motion for Sanctions on January 4, 2024, ordering that the parties' request to waive oral argument is granted.

OPINION

Exhibit A on its face sets out three separate texts the first dated August 15, 2023, the second dated September 23, 2023, and the third dated October 31, 2023. Undisputed is the fact that on or about their respective dates all three texts were sent by the Respondent as emails to "Friends and Colleagues."

Exhibit A in its entirety was filed on November 6, 2023, with the Church Attorney's Motion for Sanctions, and both were posted on the public Diocese of Virginia website.

The MOTION moves to have Exhibit A redacted to exclude in their entireties the August 15, 2023, and the October 31, 2023, texts because "Respondent proposes [that these texts] are not relevant or pertinent to any issue before the Hearing Panel."

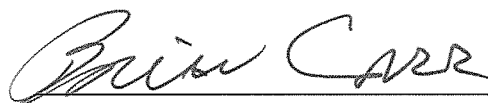
The PANEL finds:

1. Each of the three Exhibit A portions including the September 23, 2023, dated portion that states that the August 15, 2023, text was also included, were sent, or resent to multiple recipients on or about their respective dates, and based on the record these transmissions were without request that any portions of Exhibit A texts be kept private.
2. An Exhibit A email recipient had the entirety of Exhibit A brought to the Church Attorney's attention. (RESPONSE (#3))
3. Respondent did not raise redacting any portion(s) of Exhibit A until December 13, 2023, more than one month after Exhibit A was filed with the PANEL on November 6, 2023, and subsequently posted on the Diocese of Virginia website.
4. The entirety of Exhibit A has been in the public domain since at least the Church Attorney's Motion for Sanctions was filed with the PANEL on November 6, 2023, and subsequently posted on the Diocese of Virginia website as mandated by Canon IV.13.3 (a).

#### ORDER

The MOTION is denied.

Dated: January 8, 2024



Brian Carr, President  
Hearing Panel of the  
Diocese of Virginia