

parishioners into the same types of programs. (**Exh. S) MacRae arranged Grover's admission. (T. 3/29; T. 6/169-171; T. 7/14) Grover used his Beech Hill admission to get clear of the felony charges, and then left the program without completing it. (T. 3/29) Still trying to help this needy and troubled teenager, MacRae helped to place Grover into a number of other drug and alcohol treatment programs.

When Grover was admitted to a program at Derby Lodge in 1987, he confessed to drinking 12 to 18 beers a day and regular use of mood and mind altering drugs, including marijuana, hashish, cocaine, opium, amphetamines and other hallucinogens. He reported there that he "became intoxicated with his first consumption," was a "black out drinker" every time he drank, and had a history of shakes and sweats while drinking. (T. 19, 9/13/94 Collett trial transcript) Grover failed the Derby Lodge program when he was caught smuggling drugs 19 days into the 28-day course. (T. 3/29-30; **Exh. H)

MacRae helped place Grover in at least six other programs. He lasted through some, but none made a difference. (T. 3/28-32, T. 19, 9/13/94; Exh. I, p. 19; Exh. U, p. 12-17, 50, 57, 71, 121) His substance abuse ran unabated. He became such a destructive force that his mother threw him out of the house – telling him not to come back. (T. 6/97; T. 116-117, Grover 9/2/94, pretrial deposition)

Grover the Criminal and Predator

Alcohol and drug abuse were not Grover's only problems. He had numerous experiences with the criminal justice system. In addition to his 1985 burglary and forgery arrests, Grover's rap sheet included two thefts, two forgeries, theft by deception, and another burglary. (T. 6/163) In 1990, he pled guilty to yet another burglary. (T. 3/30-31) While she and Grover lived together in the early 1990's, Grover was arrested for resisting arrest and assault on an officer after breaking [REDACTED] nose. (**Exh. J)

Grover also established credentials as a sexual predator. [REDACTED] had two daughters when she met Grover. He frightened them from the start. They recognized him as a “sick individual who was obsessed with sex and teenage girls,” a “creep,” and “pervert,” who was “constantly eying” and groping them. They were particularly frightened when they woke in the middle of the night to find Grover in their room, between their beds, staring at them. (**Exh. Z; **Exh. AA)

Grover accepted no responsibility for any of it. Through sobs and tears at trial, he blamed it all on MacRae.

Grover’s addictions continued to rage after trial, and his rap sheets continue to grow with charges of all sorts of things, from traffic infractions, to violent crimes in at least three states and Native American jurisdictions. (**Exh. BB Rap Sheet)

Grover the Fortune Hunter

In the early 1990s, the New Hampshire Catholic Diocese paid millions of dollars to men alleging molestation by their priests. Steven [REDACTED] a local teenager at the time, recalls the diocese’s reputation as an easy mark:

In the early 1990s, all the kids in Keene, New Hampshire bragged about how easy it was to set the priests and the church up for money over sexual abuse charges. All the kids were aware that the church was giving out large sums of money to keep the accusations from becoming public and this fed the imagination of the local kids to join in these allegations.

(**Exh. T)

Grover applied himself to the pursuit of money for claims, as did his brothers. Ultimately, the brothers Grover collected more than a half-a-million dollars in diocese cash. (**Exh. H, Exh. Y)

Grover went to see civil attorney William Cleary. (T. 3/57)

When asked at trial about his meeting with that lawyer, Grover first denied that they talked about anything having to do with “possibly bringing a suit for damages against Gordon MacRae.”