- 33. My opinion of papal power is certainly not based on any political convictions I have had but on Church law and structure. My study of Marxism-Leninism had nothing to do with papal power and my highly critical opinions of the Marxist-Leninist governmental system and political philosophy have had nothing to do with my opinions about the nature and exercise of power in the Catholic Church.
- 34. It appears that all of the above referenced statements in the brief that refer to my studies in Marxism-Leninism and to the article on fundamentalism were taken from a website/blog called the "Mediareport." I have seen the page in question and have noted that the blogger's erroneous and inaccurate statements are nearly identical to those found in the brief. Rather than look more deeply into my writings in order to determine with accuracy my opinions the Def.'s Reply brief appears to rely on a mere blog that is admittedly hostile towards me and to others who have worked with sex abuse victims and who have criticized the bishops. So-called evidence obtained solely from a partisan blog should not be considered.
- 35. Def.'s Reply at page 21 cites a comparison I made between the Catholic bishops and Nazis (not an analogy to Nazism). It also cites a statement I made about the Church being a corrupt institution. Both statements were made in private emails to a leader of a group of sex abuse victims in Cornwall, Ontario. These emails later found their way on to his web site.
- 36. This statement has often been erroneously misinterpreted to construe that I have compared Catholicism or bishops to Nazis. This is nonsense. I simply meant that one knew that Nazis were totally corrupt.
- 37. It was my intention to illustrate, in this private communication, that many bishops cloaked their inept handling of sex abuse with pious platitudes.