



In therapy sessions, the priest confessed to shocking details he'd kept hidden for years: he had molested more than 100 boys, including his 5-year-old brother, had sex with male prostitutes, and frequented gay strip clubs.

The admissions of Reverend Ruben Martinez are among nearly 2,000 pages of secret files, unsealed Wednesday, which regard priests, brothers and nuns accused of child molestation while working in the Los Angeles archdiocese.

The papers, released under the terms of a \$660m settlement agreement reached in 2007, are the first glimpse at what Catholic religious orders knew about the men and women they posted. Several dozen more files are expected to be released by fall.

The documents refer to 10 priests or brothers and two nuns, all accused in civil lawsuits of molesting children; among them, the accused had 21 alleged victims between 1950 and 1980. The release included documents from the Oblates, the Marianists, the Benedictines and two orders for religious sisters.

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