

Philip Hower

Biographical Information

YEAR OF BIRTH:	1969
YEAR OF DEATH:	N/A
ORDINATION:	Never ordained

Employment/Assignment History

1981	Seminarian at Pontifical College, Josephinum
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Summary

Philip Hower was a seminarian sponsored by the Diocese of Harrisburg in 1985. The Diocese discontinued the sponsorship of Hower. In a Diocesan letter, the Diocese stated he was “*brusque and officious in his dealings with others,*” and he asked sexual inquiries of people and was too negative of a person.

Hower’s sister wrote to the Diocese of Harrisburg in 1988 and reported that Hower molested her son while her son was between ages five and seven. She alleged Hower performed oral sex on her son. The alleged victim never came forward.

At the time of the 1988 report, Hower was a seminarian for the Diocese of Tucson, Arizona. He was never ordained. The Diocese informed the Diocese of Tucson of the allegations made by Mr. Hower’s sister.