

into the next CPE course at the hospital. This course will take up his time on Saturday mornings. He wanted to know if he could proceed along this line. I told him that I thought we were coming close to an assignment for him and that I wanted to talk to the Personnel Board about this. Becker will call me next Wednesday for further direction.

8/21/84

874. Becker, Franklyn

He heard of Father Ries's death and wondered if it would be possible for him to apply for the position at St. Mary Hill Hospital. I put him in touch with Father John Nesseth about this. Later Nesseth called me to say that he thinks it is too early to look into this matter but suspects that Sister Ellinda may be interested in going back to the original plan of having one priest between St. Mary's Hospital and St. Mary's Hill and using a number of the religious women to do pastoral work. Becker also asked about the availability of \$200 for a CPE course at St. Joseph Hospital. I told him that he could get the money from his continuing education fund (he told me it was all gone) or from Father Nesseth's budget if there was any left (Nesseth told me there was none left) or I suggested that he ask Father O'Donnell at St. Joseph's to let him work off the money in some way. I told Becker there simply wasn't any money around for this purpose.

9/11/84

966. Becker, Franklyn

He called to discuss the financial arrangements with regard to his forthcoming job at West Allis Memorial Hospital. He would like to be placed on Salary Plan B and also wishes alternate residency. He told me he would be willing to live in a rectory but he checked with St. Jude's but they are looking for a priest who will do more for the parish than he could do. He has an apartment spotted but said it would cost more than the present ceiling allowance would provide and wondered if that could be negotiated. I told him it definitely could not and that he would have to find something cheaper or go back to the idea of living in a rectory. He is going to check with a couple of more parishes to see if this would be possible.

10/15/84

994. Becker, Franklyn

Father Paul Esser called to express his concern about the assignment of Father Becker to West Allis Memorial Hospital. Esser worked on the Personnel Board at the time when Becker was having problems in California. Therefore, he knows his condition. I told Esser confidentially that Becker has been under psychiatric care for the last couple of years, has done CPE work, has gotten good recommendations from St. Joseph's Hospital and the approval of his psychiatrist to be in ministry once again in this type of setting. Esser felt much relieved about this and concurs that Becker needs to have a chance at reestablishing his reputation once again.

10/25/84

37. Becker, Franklyn

⑤ On Friday evening, April 19, 1985, while presiding over a confirmation at St. John Parish in South Milwaukee, I noted that Father Franklyn Becker acted as sponsor for a young man being confirmed.

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