REVIEW BOARD

The Review Board, a consultative body to the Jesuits West Provincial, is comprised of lay professionals from the fields of psychology, law enforcement and human resources. The Review Board helps determine if a claim of sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult by current, former and/or deceased Jesuits is credible and makes its recommendation to the provincial.

The Review Board is required by the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, the standards of which are adapted for religious men in the Conference of Major Superiors (CMSM) Standards for Accreditation.

CURRENT JESUITS WEST REVIEW BOARD MEMBERS

James Buck, Review Board Chair
Human Resources Consultant/Investigator

Jim Buck is a former school district superintendent in Oregon having served previously as a teacher for behaviorally challenged children and as a school principal. He served as human resources director for seven years and became the executive director for the Oregon School Personnel Association, which provides HR guidance to school systems in Oregon. Buck has worked as an independent investigator for 18 years and also served as a hearings officer for 20 years.

Buck served as board chair for the Jesuit Volunteer Corps Northwest and also as board chair for Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon, a statewide interfaith organization. He began his educational career with JVC Northwest serving as a teacher on the Colville Indian Reservation in Washington. He has taught HR-related graduate courses at Portland State University and Lewis & Clark College. He is currently self-employed as a human resources consultant/investigator.

Jude Barry
Public Relations

Jude Barry is based in Silicon Valley and has helped Fortune 500 companies, non-profit organizations, political candidates and elected officials with everything from long-term strategic planning to crisis management to government relations. Barry has worked at all levels of government. He held senior positions on presidential campaigns, managed a California gubernatorial campaign and served as chief of staff to a San Jose mayor. Barry helped establish Santa Clara County’s first ethics ordinance for candidates and officeholders.

Recently, Barry served on the University of San Francisco’s Board of Trustees. In 2002, he served on the Diocese of San Jose’s Bishop Task Force on Sexual Abuse and authored the final report. Barry is a graduate of Bellarmine College Prep and the College of the Holy Cross. He is a board member of the National Catholic Reporter.
Chris Boscia
Legal

Christopher Boscia is an attorney and the founder of Boscia Legal. He practices criminal defense, victims’ rights and civil litigation. He previously served as a deputy district attorney in Santa Clara County and Contra Costa County, California. Prior to his work as a prosecutor, Boscia served as the executive assistant to the California Commission on the Fair Administration of Justice. At the Commission, Boscia investigated the causes of wrongful conviction and the death penalty in California. In addition to earning a diploma from Saint Ignatius High School in Cleveland, Boscia holds a Juris Doctorate from Santa Clara University and master’s and bachelor’s degrees in theology from Boston College. Boscia previously directed the campus ministry office at Regis High School in Manhattan and worked as a project manager at the Bannan Institute for Jesuit Education at Santa Clara University. He is the president and a board member of the St. Thomas More Society of Santa Clara County. Boscia is married with three children.

John Christensen, Ph.D.
Consultant in Health Professional Well-being and Behavioral Medicine

John F. Christensen, Ph.D., is a clinical psychologist and consultant in behavioral medicine, graduate medical education and physician well-being. He directed behavioral medicine training in the internal medicine residency program at Legacy Health in Portland, Oregon, where he also had a private practice of psychotherapy. He facilitates retreats and training in physician well-being, communication skills and managing medical errors for healthcare organizations. He has served on the faculty of Spartan Health Sciences University in St. Lucia, West Indies. Dr. Christensen is co-editor of “Behavioral Medicine: A Guide for Clinical Practice,” 5th edition, McGraw-Hill, 2019.

Maureen Clark
President, Human Resource Management Company

Maureen Clark has been consulting in human resources for a wide spectrum of organizations for over 30 years. She conducts workplace investigations under a California private investigator’s license (#27972) and provides HR expert case consultation. She has been certified as a Senior Professional in Human Resources (SPHR) since 2005 and obtained the specialized California certification in 2010. Clark has held numerous positions on academic, professional and community service boards and is Vice Chair Emerita on the University of San Francisco Board of Trustees. She is a member of the Association of Workplace Investigators and the Forensic Expert Witness Association.

Thomas Plante, Ph.D.
Professor of Psychology

Thomas G. Plante, Ph.D., ABPP, is the Augustin Cardinal Bea, S.J. University Professor, professor of psychology and, by courtesy, religious studies at Santa Clara University and directs the Applied Spirituality Institute. He is also an adjunct clinical professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at Stanford University School of Medicine. He recently served as vice chair of the National Review Board for the Protection of Children and Youth for the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. He has also served on the child and youth protection review boards for the Diocese of San Jose for the Jesuits since 2002. He has published 23 books, including “Sexual Abuse in the Catholic Church: A Decade of Crisis, 2002-2012,” “Sin against the Innocents: Sexual Abuse by Priests and the Role of the Catholic Church” and “Bless Me Father For I Have Sinned: Perspectives on Sexual Abuse Committed by Roman Catholic Priests.” He has also published over 200 journal articles and book chapters, most on the interface of psychology and religion. He has evaluated or treated about 1,000 clerics or clerical applicants in his Menlo Park private practice, including numerous sex abuse victims and offenders. Time Magazine referred to him in a cover story on clerical abuse in the Catholic Church (April 1, 2002) as one of “three leading (American) Catholics.”