

Joe Hayden Quoted in New York Times Regarding Recent Findings of Vatican-Authorized Investigation Clearing Brooklyn Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio of Allegations

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Pashman Stein Walder Hayden partner Joseph A. Hayden, Jr., a seasoned litigator in civil and criminal matters in state and federal courts, was quoted in the *New York Times* article, "Vatican Clears Brooklyn Bishop of Child Abuse Charges From 1970s." The article discusses the recent findings of an investigation authorized by the Vatican and conducted by an outside law firm, Herbert Smith Freehills, and a consulting group headed by Louis Freeh, the former F.B.I. director. The article states that the Archdiocese of New York announced that the investigation cleared Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio of allegations made against him by two men who said they were abused as children, and that the accusations were found by the Vatican's doctrinal office "not to have the semblance of truth."

Joseph A. Hayden Jr., a lawyer for Bishop DiMarzio, praised the outside investigators on Wednesday, saying Mr. Freeh and John O'Donnell, a former federal prosecutor and partner at Herbert Smith Freehills, were "former law enforcement officials with proven experience and impeccable integrity."

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