

Conn. church loses appeal to keep abuse records sealed

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Breaking news from The Associated Press, via the Hartford Courant: The Connecticut Supreme Court has [decided not to reconsider a ruling](#) [1] that would make public thousands of pages of documents that detail alleged sexual abuse by priests.

The high court released its decision Monday, rejecting the Roman Catholic Diocese of Bridgeport's request to reconsider the ruling it issued in May.

The state Supreme Court ruled 4-1 that more than 12,600 pages of documents from 23 lawsuits against six priests should be released. Those documents have been sealed from public view since the diocese settled the cases in 2001.

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