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## Conn. diocese appeals to U.S. Supreme Court

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In an appeal to keep documents about clergy sex abuse secret, the Bridgeport, Conn., diocese is taking its case to the U.S. Supreme Court, The Associated Press is reporting.

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BRIDGEPORT, Conn. ? A Roman Catholic diocese in Connecticut is appealing to the U.S. Supreme Court to keep sex abuse documents under wraps.

Bridgeport Diocese officials on Friday asked the state Supreme Court to continue a stay on releasing the documents while it appeals to the nation's highest court.

The state court has ruled that more than 12,000 pages of documents from more than 20 lawsuits against priests should be released. Those documents have been sealed from public view since the diocese settled the cases in 2001.

The records could shed light on how recently retired New York Cardinal Edward Egan handled the allegations when he was Bridgeport bishop from 1988 to 2000.

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