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Church Sues for "Perv" Insurance

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Insurance giant AIG is short-changing the Catholic Church by refusing to pay on a policy the Brooklyn Diocese took out for claims against pervert priests, the church claims in a lawsuit.

According to the suit filed in Brooklyn Supreme Court, AIG has refused to cover a settlement the diocese negotiated with the parents of a girl allegedly abused between the ages of 11 and 14 by the Rev. James Smith at St. Kevin's Roman Catholic Church in Flushing.

Michael Dowd, the lawyer who represented the girl said the case was settled for \$2 million, plus the ongoing cost of psychotherapy.

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