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Request for Appointment

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The Most Reverend Arthur J. Serratelli

The Diocese of Paterson

Dear Bishop Serratelli,

Since I live nearby (my parish is the Church of Notre Dame in Manhattan) and you are on the Committee for Evangelization and Catechesis of the USCCB, I am requesting an appointment to explain to you why the Catholic Church should withdraw its support of the Magis Center (http://www.magiscenter.com). The Magis Center says that the Shroud of Turin is authentic and that God caused the Big Bang. There is very little evidence that the Holy Shroud is authentic and no evidence at all that God caused the Big Bang. The Magis Center is also playing a negative roll in the culture war in the United States about the teaching of evolutionary biology.

Quentin Lauer, S.J., was my philosophy teacher at Fordham College. One day a student asked a question about faith in Jesus and he shouted at the top of his lungs, "I don't maintain it. I assert it with every fiber of my being." This profession of faith was a reason for all of us in the class to believe in Jesus because Fr. Lauer was a paragon of reason. He did not think God caused the Big Bang and did not misrepresent our salvation history.

My writings about science and religion are at http://www.newevangelization.info. Most relevant are my reviews of the science books by Stephen Barr and Robert Spitzer, and the essays titled, "Reasons to Believe in Jesus," and "Science, Metaphysics, Philosophy, Theology and History, of the Holy Shroud." I filed a canonical complaint against Cardinal Dolan for suppressing my slideshow/lecture about the Shroud of Turin (http://www.dkroemer.com). I am also trying to get the American Journal of Physics to retract an absurd article about evolution and thermodynamics (http://www.pseudoscience123.com).

Very truly yours,

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cc: Archbishop Charles Chaput, Bishop David Ricken, Cardinal Donald Wuerl, Archbishop Jose Gomes, Bishop Kevin Vann, Bishop Leonard Blair, and Bishop Frank Caggiano