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The rights of the alleged violator during the investigation include:

1. The right to know the nature of the allegations.
2. The right to defend against the allegations.
3. The right to due process.
4. The right not to incriminate her/himself.
5. The right to civil and, in the case of clerics, canonical counsel.
6. The right to discretion in the conduct of the investigation and to have her/his good name protected during the investigation.
7. The right to know the results of the investigation.

OBLIGATIONS OF THE ALLEGED VIOLATOR

The obligations of the alleged violator during the investigation include:

1. The obligation not to interfere with the investigative process.
2. The obligation not to have contact with the complainant during the investigative process.
3. The obligation to observe any special provisions or restrictions imposed by the Bishop or his designee.

Excerpt from Diocesan Sexual Ethics Policy

By affixing my signature below, I acknowledge that I have read and understand this statement of rights and obligations.

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Signature Date

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Printed Name

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Signature of Diocesan Staff Date