

8-27-08 - Mistrial declared in ex-altar boy's suit
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BURLINGTON, Vt. - A mistrial has been declared in the case of a former altar boy who sued the Diocese of Burlington for negligent supervision of a priest he accused of molesting him.

After about 16 hours of deliberations over three days, jurors said Wednesday they were hopelessly deadlocked.

The man, a 40-year-old Waitsfield resident, says the Rev. Edward Paquette molested him up to 50 times when he was an altar boy at Christ the King church in Burlington in the 1970s.