DATE: August 22, 1991

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Full Name: John Atwood	nitials if you	SSN:_	
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Address:			
City: Camarillo	St	ate: CA Zip	Code: 93010
Date of Birth: 2-8-57			
Approximate age 34 (To			
Religion Unknown			
Occupation Service Technics			
Education Unknown for sure			but not a college graduate
Weight 250 Height 6'0"			
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October 25, 1991

Mr. Kent W. Gibbs Scout Executive Orange County Council, No. 39

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: JOHN ATWOOD

Dear Kent:

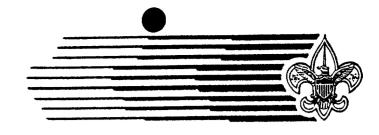
Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Ineligible Volunteer File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director Registration and Statistical Service

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cc: Richard Parker, Western Region



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA ORANGE COUNTY COUNCIL, INC.

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September 18, 1991

Mr. Paul Ernst, Director Registration and Statistical Service BSA National Office 1325 Walnut Hill Lane P.O. Box 152079 Irving, Texas 75015-2079

Re: John Atwood

Dear Mr. Ernst:

In regards to your letter of September 3, 1991, please find enclosed a description of the incident involving Mr. Atwood.

If I can be of any further assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Ted Cox

Director of Field Service

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Enclosure

ORANGE COUNTY COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM

To:

From:

Date:

Ron Schoenmehl RSchull 16 August 1991 & addetioned entry,

John Atwood youth molestation incident

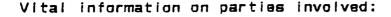
Summary of incident:

On Friday, August 2, 1991, Mr. John Atwood and youth spent a night in a hotel room in San Diego County. en route to Lost Valley Scout Reservation. During the night, Mr. John Atwoo<u>d provided a</u>lcohol and got intoxicated. fell asleep and was molested during the night. alleges that he was awakened from his sleep by John Atwood fond!ing him. continued to feigned sleep while John Atwood proceeded to orally copulate him.

confided in The next day while at Lost Valley. one of the weekend volunteers of the confided to one of his camp. Subsequently, friends, also stated that he had been viotimized by John Atwood.

shared this information with camp ranger, and with me on August 16 while at Lost Valley. I proceeded with the youth protection guidelines and contacted Ted Cox. I presented my suggested outline for action which you agreed to. The details follow.

Note: This action did not take place on a Scouting event nor on Scouting property. However, the parties involved are members of the Orange County Council.



Perpetrator

Name: John Atwood

DOB: 02-08-57

Registration info: Explorer Post 336, Orange Cty Council

Position:

Camarillo, CA 93010 Home addres

Phone:

Victim #1:

Name:

DOB:

Registration info: Member of Varsity Team 6871

Address:

La Habra, 90631

Phone:

Parent:

Victim #2:

Name:

Registration into: Member of Explorer Post 98/

Home address:

La Habra, CA 90631

Phone:

Parent:

Registration info: Explorer Post 336

Position:

Home adds

<u>lecto</u>n, CA 92633

Phone:

Atwood molestation incident . . . Page 2/2

INELIGIBLE VOLUNTEER RECORD SHEET

REGISTRATION SERVICE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Full name:

John Atwood

SSN:

Address: |

City: Camarillo

State:

CA

Zip: 93010

Date of Birth: February 08, 1957

Age: 34

Religion: Unknown

Nationality: American

Occupation: Service technician for copy machines

Education:

Unknown for sure

Believed to be high school graduate

Not believed to be college graduate

Weight: 250 pounds Height: 6'0" Race: Anglo

Color Hair: Blond Color Eyes: Unknown

Distinguishing physical characteristics: Overweight

Hobbies or special interests: Skilled at mechanical and vehicle repair; Enjoys off-roading with 4-wheel drive

jeeps:

Marital Status: Single

No children

Scouting connection:

Post 336; Orange, CA; Member of committee;

Date registered: Approx 1979 Date resigned: 8/17/91

served with notice of denial

Troop 210, Oxnard, CA: former Scoutmaster

Date registered: ______ Date resigned:

(Need to check with Ventura County Council

Lost Valley Camp Staff and weekend volunteer, Orange

County Council, since 1975 approximately

Chartered Organization: Post 336, Chapman College

Special Recognition:

Incident: Type: 2; Date: Aug 2, 1991 Resolution: 5, 27

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Type:

- Scouting related
- 2. Not Scouting related
- Homosexual (not

specifically involving

Resolution:

- 1. Internal (only BSA members know)
- 2. Criminal action
- 3. Court action
- 4. Probationary status
- 5. Reported to state agency

CHECK OFF LIST OF ATTACHED DOCUMENTATION

- Description of incident attached
- 2. Statement by victim(s) - requested
- Media reports none
- 4. Legal proceedings none at this time
- 5. Offender's statement not available
- 6. Official notification of termination attached
- 7. Found guilty/innocent by court unknown at this time

COUNCIL:

SIGNED:

Ron Schoenmehl, Camping Director

Kent Gibbs, Scout Executive

Atwood molestation incident ₽∋90 4/4

Chronology:

August 2, 1991:

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August 3, 1991

while at Lost Valley, confided in one of the weekend volunteers of the camp.

In talked with contact with done Atwood, and provided transportation for to his home on Sunday, August 4, 1991.

Approximately August 10, 1991

confides in his friend

Approximately August 14, 1991

tells his parents of the molestation. Mr. contacts San Diego County Sheriff office,

Deputy Collier, and reports the incident.
Deputy Collier advises the property not to discuss the incident further.

August 15, 1991

10:30 nm:

arrives at Lost Valley. He
recently talked to

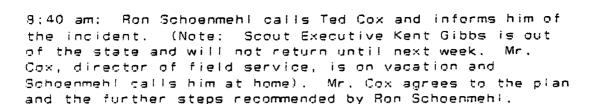
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nordent.

August 16, 1991

3:70 am; on attempts to dati Deputy Collier. is advised to dall later that afternoon.

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8:50 am: Ron Schoenmehl reports the incident to Mr. Dave Graska, Scout Executive of Ventura County Council. (W: 805/482-8938; FAX: 805/484-9172) This report is made because Mr. John Atwood resides in that council and is a former Scoutmaster of their Troop 210. Ron Schoenmehl feels that John Atwood could be currently registered in that troop or participate in a non-registered capacity. (Subsequently, Graska informs Ron Schoenmehl that John Atwood is not registered in that council). Schoenmehl requests that Ted Cox follow up with Graska.

9:42 am: Ron Schoenmehl talks with and requests they send a written statement from a there the victim or the parents to Ron Schoenmehl at the service center, marked confidential. This report would be part of the confidential file for national.

9:50 am: Ron Schoenmehl talks with makes a similar request as above.

indicates that he is reluctant to make such a statement.

(In a previous youth protection incident not related in any way to this and not involving regarding a youth who claimed to be homosexual. The counci! suspended the membership of this alleged homosexual and the accused appealed the suspension. After a review by the regional committee, the membership of the accused was reinstated.

in the best interest of Scouting and feels his other son was put in a difficult position, the incident mishandled). States he prefers allowing the legal authorities to handle the incident.

August 17, 1991

12:05 am: Shortly after midnight, John Atwood arrives at Lost Valley. Ron Schoenmehl asks John Atwood to join him in the business office. He also asks Rodney Sonderman to accompany them.

Ron Schoenmehl presents John Atwood with the letter denying him membership in the Boy Scouts of America. Atwood asks what the nature of the charges are and

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MEMORANDUM





BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA ORANGE COUNTY COUNCIL, INC. 3590 Harbor Gateway North Costa Mesa, California 92626-1425 (714) 546-4990 • Fax (714) 546-0415

August 16, 1991

John Atwood

Camarillo, CA 93010

Dear John:

After careful review, we have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be denied. We are therefore compelled to request that you sever any relations that you may have with the Boy Scouts of America.

You should understand that BSA membership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to refuse registration whenever there is concern that an individual may not meet the high standards of membership which the BSA seeks.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed by a BSA regional review committee, please write to the regional director within 60 days of the late of this letter, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA member should be granted. The procedures for a review of this decision are attached.

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Sincheely yours,

Ron Schoenmehl Camping Director

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Enclosure

TEL 711 5.16-0115

The following information is provided should you desire a review by the Western Region, BSA, of the decision to deny your registration.

- 1. Within 60 days, you must request in writing a review of this decision. Your request should be sent to: Western Region, 185 North Wolfe Road, P.O. Box 3464, Sunnyvale, CA 94088-3464. In your request you must include your version of what occurred in support of your claim that registration should not have been denied.
- 2. Upon the receipt of your written request, a committee will be appointed to review the situation.
- J. If the regional review committee determines that a review hearing is necessary, the committee will advise you whether or not you may attend. In some instances, no useful purpose would be served by having the applicant present. The hearing is not adversarial in nature and neither the committee nor you, if you attend, will be represented by legal counsel. If you wish, in the event you attend, you may be accompanied by no more than two other individuals if their testimony might assist the committee in discovering the truth and arriving at a correct decision.
- 4. The committee will review the facts as presented, and may interview any persons whose testimony might assist them in arriving at a correct decision.
- 5. You will receive a letter setting forth the decision of the committee.
- 6. It you are dissatisfied with the decision of a regional review, you may request a further review by the Mational Council. The decision of the National Council will be final.

September 3, 1991

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Mr. Kent W. Gibbs Scout Executive Orange County Council, No. 39

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: JOHN ATWOOD

Dear Kent:

Thanks for the information you recently sent on Mr. Atwood. This will enable us to start a file which will lead to refusal of registration in the future.

You do not indicate anywhere in this material what Mr. Atwood did. We would like an explanation, newspaper clippings, court records, or some other material that would help us to have a strong file.

If there is to be legal action, we would like to have that information also.

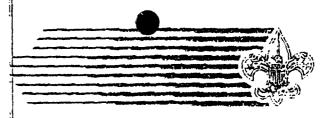
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Paul Ernst, Director Registration and Statistical Service

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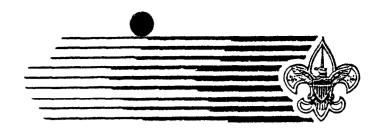
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Ron Schoenmehl Camping Director

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August 23, 1991

Mr John Atwood

Camarillo, CA 93010

Dear John:

As you are aware, your registration with the Boy Scouts of America has been denied. A refund of your registration fee is enclosed.

As was previously stated to you, you may have this decision reviewed by a BSA regional review committee.

Sincerely,

Ted

Director of Field Service

TC/kv

Enclosure



Director of Field Service

DATE: August 22, 1991

Full Name: John Atwood SSN:								
(Do not use initials if you can get								
'the full name)								
Address								
City: Camarillo State: CA Zip Code: 93010								
Date of Birth: 2-8-57 (This is important, should be exact.)								
Approximate age 34 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is unknown.)								
Religion Unknown Nationality (citizen of) American								
Occupation Service Technician for copy machines -								
Education Unknown for sure. Believe to high school graduate, but not a college graduate.								
Weight 250 Height 6'0" Race Anglo Color Hair Blond Color Eyes Unknown								
Distinguishing physical characteristics <u>Overweight</u> Skilled at mechanical and vehicle repair; enjoys								
Hobbies or special interests off-roading wih 4-wheel drive jeeps.								
Married Single X Name of Spouse								
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SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:								
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