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Knowledge of (confirmed by Southern New Jersey Council Scout Executive) previous suspension from summer camp (Camp Roosevelt) for "indiscretions" with two boys in (3) Camp as reported by their parents.



National Office

July 15, 1990

Father Julian A. Karczewski 3948 Central Avenue Ocean City, NJ 08225

Bear Father Karczewski:

On July 10, 1990 a review committee comprised of volunteer members of the Executive Board of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America conducted a review of the denial of your registration in the Boy Scouts of America.

Please be advised that it was the decision of this review committee to uphold the action of the regional review committee in denying your resistration.

Cordially,

Ben H. Love Chief Scout Executive

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DONALD R. CHARLES, JR. KYRAN CONNOR MEMBER OF NJ. PA & D.C. BAR

SOUTH TOWER
PROFESSIONAL SUITE 101

June 19, 1990

Harold Sokolsky
Administrative Assistant to
the Chief Scout Executive
Boy Scouts of America
National Office
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P. O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015

RE: Father Julian Karczewski

Dear Mr. Sokolsky:

As your file will reveal, I represent Father Julian Karczewski in connection with the decision of the Northeast Region Review Committee to deny the request for reinstatement of membership.

Father Karczewski filed his Notice of Appeal with Mr. Love, Chief Scout Executive, almost seven months ago. At the same time, I filed a 5-page statement of our position with Mr. Love (including several attachments).

I am sure you will agree that the delay in responding is inordinate. May I have the courtesy of an update from your offices on the status of this matter?

Very truly yours,

Kyran Connor

KC/ms

cc: Rev. Julian Karczewski

● To. Frank Elmit-SIC: Fy =

March 30, 1990

Fr Julian Yarozawski

Ocean City, New Jersey 08226

Dear Father Karczewski:

Please be advised that we are proceeding with a review of the denial of your registration in the Boy Scouts of America.

We shall advise you soon as to the schedule.

Thank you.

Yery truly yours,

Harold Sokolsky Administrative Assistant to the Chief Scout Executive

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Atr prepared by D. Park

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Our Lady of Good Counsel Church



March 6, 1990

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Mr. Ben Love Chief Scout Executive Boy Scouts of America Irving, Texas MAR 1 4 1990 DAVID K. PARK

Dear Mr. Love,

It has now been more than three months since you first received detailed correspondence, in my behalf, from Kyran Connor of Charles and Connor, Attorneys at Law, which included a Notice of Appeal from me. The original documents are dated November 22, 1989. You also received a second set of copies in the event that the first documents did not reach your attention.

To my knowledge, as of the date of this letter, I have not yet received any kind of acknowledgement either from you or from your delegate as to the fact that you even received the correspondence noted above. The Northeast Region allowed me only thirty days to write to you -- and I did so within the time limit. It has been more then three months and still I have received no reply from your office! What is the problem?

It seems to me that you should have also received more than thirty individual letters from Scouts and Scouters telling you, from their experiences with me, about my character. I have received no written indication from your office that the letters noted here were ever received by you! It seems to me that if many people take the time and make the effort to write -- especially about my specific situation with the BSA -- and about my character -- someone from your office should have at least the courtesy to respond.

Thank you for your attention to this letter. A prompt response would be appreciated.

Respectfully,

Fr. Julian Karczewski

CHARLES AND CONNOR



DONALD R. CHARLES, JR.
KYRAN CONNOR
MEMBER OF NJ. PA & D.C. BAR

November 22, 1989

SOUTH TOWER
PROFESSIONAL SUITE 101

CERTIFIED MAIL -- RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ben Love Chief Scout Executive Boy Scouts of America 1325 Walnut Hill Lane P.O. Box 152079 Irving, TX 75015-2079

Re: Father Julian Karczewski

Dear Mr. Love:

Please be advised that I represent Father Julian Karczewski in connection with the recent decision of the Northeast Region Review Committee to deny my client's request for reinstatement of his membership with the Boy Scouts of America.

Enclosed herewith you will find Father Karczewski's formal Notice of Appeal of the regional decision not to reinstate. Please consider the contents of this letter in connection with that Notice.

It is of the utmost importance that you understand that there has never, from the very beginning of this episode, been an articulation or specification of the allegations against Father Karczewski. Accordingly, this has put Father at a distinct disadvantage in his attempts to defend his registration with an organization which he has loved and served faithfully for over 30 years.

It is particularly interesting to note that, in the latest "official" communication dated October 26, 1989 from the Assistant Regional Director, there is still not even the remotest hint of the substance of the allegations considered by the Regional Committee or of the reasons upon which the decision of the Regional Committee is based.

In this context, the advice of Mr. Ball to write to you with an explanation of why we believe the regional decision to be in error, ascribes to us powers of clairvoyance which we really do not have.

Ben Love, Chief Scout Executive Re: Father Julian Karczewski November 22, 1989 Page Two

Since this matter was first opened by the notice of suspension of registration from the Atlantic Area Council dated August 15, 1988, two events of extraordinary significance have intervened, as follows:

- 1. The Office of the Attorney General of the State of New Jersey has thoroughly reviewed and investigated the matter that was referred to it in connection with an incident at Camp Edge, and the Attorney General has determined that the allegations were not substantiated, with the result that the State file on this matter was administratively closed without any prosecution or charges whatsoever being filed (copy of letter from Attorney General's office, dated March 8, 1989, is attached hereto as Exhibit A);
- 2. In the face of these State results, the President of the Atlantic Area Council reversed his position as previously expressed in the suspension notice of August 15, 1988, notifying Father Karczewski that his "registration in Scouting has been reinstated" (copy of letter from Robert E. Swartz, President, Atlantic Area Council, dated June 19, 1989, is attached hereto as Exhibit 8).

Many weeks after the letter from the President of the Atlantic Area Council assuring Father Karczewski of reinstatement, there came word that the matter would have to be ratified by the Northeast Regional Committee. Along with this word came the assurance that the Area Council was recommending reinstatement to the Northeast Regional Executive (copy of letter from Donald A. Guardian, Atlantic Area Council Scout Executive, dated September 13, 1989, is attached hereto as Exhibit C).

Other than these entirely positive developments, we are aware of absolutely no events that have intervened between the initial notice of suspension in August 1988 and the communication of the decision of the Region Review Committee dated October 26, 1989. Upon reflection, I believe you will see that there is no basis whatsoever for the Regional decision to deny reinstatement — in the face of all of these positive developments, including the strong recommendation for reinstatement from the Atlantic Area Council — other than a "knee-jerk" reaction of institutional self-protection.

Scouting itself, as you know far better than I, is a part of the American landscape, designed as an institution to give our youth a sense of pride in the traditions and principles which are at the heart of our existence as a free nation. The protection of individual rights and liberties is one of the unique achievements of our system.

I believe that Father Karczewski has not received from the Boy Scouts -- an organization he has loved and served faithfully for 30 years -- even the fundamental courtesies which our government would extend to the most common criminal. He has never been given a statement of the infractions of which he was suspected. He has never been given an opportunity to be heard at or to present evidence to the tribunal which determined his fate (the Northeast Region Review

Ben Love, Chief Scout Executive Re: Father Julian Karczewski November 22, 1989 Page Three

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Committee). He has never been given any information about the procedures which govern National Council level review -- other than being told that he must contact you in writing (within 30 days).

Fundamental concepts of justice and fair play cannot be ignored so cavalierly by the Boy Scouts in dealing with one of their own -- if your organization means to have any credibilty with our youth in teaching the inherent worth and goodness of our system of government. For after all, actions speak louder than words.

I entreat you to listen to the soundings coming from within your own organization -- from the people who know Father Karczewski best, both from personal exposure and from knowledge of his extensive record of unblemished service to Scouting.

Your own area Council President, apparently not realizing that internal regulations required him to refer the question of reinstatement to the Regional level, has taken a position squarely favoring reinstatement. The Scout Executive on the scene is no less supportive of the notion of reinstatement.

Furthermore, I believe that you will find that two other Scout Executives in the South Jersey area are similarly supportive of Father Karczewski reinstatement. These gentlemen (Joseph DiCanio of the Camden County Council and C.J. Testone of the Southern New Jersey Council) are both initimately familiar with Father Karczewski's work on behalf of Scouting throughout the Roman Catholic Diocese of Camden.

Based on my conversations with each and every one of these individuals, it is my impression that they share our surprise as to how the Boy Scouts can second-guess the Attorney General of New Jersey. Clearly, the State's investigation over a seven month period was exhaustive and painstaking — and the results of same were a clear exoneration of Father Karczewski. It is hard for anyone on this scene to imagine what the Northeast Region could have thought it knew that could possibly justify its decision to fly in the face of all of these other positive indications and developments.

I am attaching hereto, as Exhibit D, a list of approximately 50 individuals, all of them involved in one way or another with Scouting, who are personally familiar with Father Karczewski's devotion to the Scouting movement. I expect that you might be hearing directly from a number of the individuals named on this list, and I invite you to independently contact any one of them for their own impressions and statements as to Father Karczewski's character.

Ben Love, Chief Scout Executive Re: Father Julian Karczewski November 22, 1989 Page Four

Father Karczewski <u>truly</u> is one of "your own" whose case deserves the personal attention and care which only you can give as Chief Executive. To the extent that I can piece together the concerns of the Scouting organization, it becomes ever more clear that the problem arose out of a totally innocent interlude at Camp Edge, New Jersey which was unreasonably misinterpreted by a district leader who had never met Father Karczewski and had no sense of his long and honorable 30 year career in Scouting — not to mention his 14 years of selfless ministry as a priest of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Camden. The totally unwarranted private conclusions reached by this individual — which have now been entirely repudiated and discredited by the State investigation — perhaps say more about this individual's own biases, prejudices and neuroses then they say about anything else.

In any event, I would like to reproduce for you, in Father Karczewski's own words, his own recollections, as he wrote them out for me:

"It was about the third time that I had gone to Camp Edge that summer to say Mass. I had just finished celebrating Mass. I was seated at a picnic table, in the open, and I was talking with a few young Scouts (3 or 4 in all). We laughed and sang. I remember one of them sitting on my knee while another stood directly in front of me. I was not aware that I was being "observed" -- nor was I aware that there was anything to be "observed". The next thing I knew, my registration was suspended!"

Father Karczewski has overcome extraordinary odds in his priestly and his Scouting careers. He has suffered through the effects of a number of illnesses beginning in childhood and continuing to the present day. I dare say that it was in this "school of suffering" that he learned the compassion for others which any of his friends or acquaintances will tell you is his trademark as a man and a priest.

Based on my personal experience with Father Karczewski throughout this current ordeal, I can assure you that I have watched him die a little death each day because of the betrayal which he feels at the hands of an organization so dearly loved by him. Based on the history and facts which I have attempted to outline in this letter, it strikes me that there is no earthly reason for the Boy Scouts to continue on this hurtful path.

As much as anything, prescinding from all of the talk about legalities and rights, I am appealing to your basic sense of humanity and fairness in asking that you put a stop to the hurt right now -- and direct the reinstatement of this loyal Scout.

Ben Love, Chief Scout Executive Re: Father Julian Karczewski November 22, 1989 Page Five

If there is anything further which I can provide to you, please do not hesitate to contact me directly. Thanking you in the meantime for your kind and careful attention, I am,

Very truly yours,

Kyran Connor

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Attachments (Exhibits A, B, C & D)
Enclosure (Notice of Appeal)

cc: Reverend Julian Karczewski (w/attachments & enclosure)
Donald A. Guardian (w/attachments & enclosure)
Charles D. Ball (w/attachments & enclosure)

State of New Hersey
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL HISTORY

DIVISION OF CRIMINAL HISTICS

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March 8, 1989

ROBERT F. WINTER DIRECTOR

Kyran Connor, Esquire

Charles and Connor

Ocean City, New Jersey 08226-0567

Re: Father Julian Karczewski

Dear Mr. Connor:

As you are aware, this office received a referral on August 15, 1988 concerning an allegation of inappropriate sexual conduct at Camp Edge involving Father Julian Karczewski.

An investigation concerning these allegations was conducted by this Unit. Upon investigation and review, it has been determined that the allegation in this particular matter has not been substantiated. Accordingly, this matter has been administratively closed within this Unit.

Notification concerning the administrative closing of this matter has also been forwarded to the Division of Youth and Family Services, Institutional Abuse Investigation Unit.

Very truly yours,

Thomas J. Chirichella Deputy Attorney General Institutional Abuse Unit

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Reply to: Mays Landing

June 19, 1989

Father Julian Karczewski c/o Charles and Connor

Ocean City, NJ 08226-0567

Father Julian:

As a result of information that has been provided and discussions between Kyran Connor and myself, we are pleased to inform you that your registration in Scouting has been reinstated.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Don Guardian.

Robert E. Swartz

Preside - Atlantic Area Concil

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September 13, 1989

Reverend Julian Karczewski Cur Lady of Good Counsel Church

Ocean City, N.J. 08226

Dear Father Julian,

Pursuant to our phone conversation last week, I am in receipt of your adult leader application. Since your registration was suspended, Northeast Regional Committee must reinstate your membership.

We have notified the Northeast Regional Executive that your suspension has been reviewed and the council wishes to reinstate your membership. I have been notified that the Regional Committee will review your case at the next Regional Committee meeting to be held October 14, 1989. I will keep you informed.

Sincerely,

Donald A. Guardian Scout Executive

cc: Charlie Ball, N.E. region

EXHIBIT C

People in Scouting
who know
Fr. Julian Karczewski

National Council Glann S. Pannell Josef P. Kessler William M. Ridge

Northeast Region Kenneth W. Davis

National Catholic Committee

Rev. Gregory S. Weider (Past National Chaplain)
Albany, N.Y. 12203

Rev. Leo A. LeBlanc Diocese of Manchester

Manchester, N.H. 03105

Local Councils
Executives

<u>Atlantic Area</u> Donald A. Guardian

Camden Countu
Joseph G. DeCanio
W. Callingswood N.i.

Southern <u>New Jersey</u> C. J. Testone

Vineland N.J. 08360

Other Professional Scouters

C.S. Ingram _____ aurel Springs, N.J. C8C21

C.R. Klenk, Essex County Council, Newark, N.J. L.H. Bassett. , Laurel Springs, N.J. 08021

Local Diocesan Scouters

Rev. A. E. Harshaw, Chaplain, N.J. 08302 phones:

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E.A. Ocmanski, Chairman,

Stratford, N.J.

EXHIBIT D

Paul Loeb, Glassboro, N.J. 08028 James V. Fayer, Cherry Hill, N.J. 08003 Bettu Smith. <u>Carneu</u>'s Point, N.J. 08069 Darien Andes. Pleasantville, N.J. 08232 Eileen Cunea, Lindenwold, N.J. 08021 Have known J. Karczewski in Scouting over 30 years Bernard A. Becker, Woodbine, N.J. 08270 Charles F. Valentine, Vineland, N. J. 08360 Charles M. Crelier , Callingswood, N.J. J. C. G'Neal, Williamstown, N.J. 08094 Theodore Kammer, Dennis, N.J. 08245 Alica Labriola. Vineland, N.J. 08360 Stanley A. Kubiak apa May Court House, Summer Camo Staffs and or National Jamborees Robert N. Large, , Syracuse, N.Y. 13205 Richard C. Morris, Jr. Salem, N.J. 08079 and Bohort & Smith, Bellmawr, N.J. Or. W. R. Cavagnaro, Woodbline, N.J. EXHIBIT D 08270

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

TO:

Ben Love

Chief Scout Executive Boy Scouts of America Irving, Texas 75060

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FROM: (Rev.) Julian Karczewski

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Ocean City, NJ 08226

Please accept this notice as my formal notification, within the prescribed thirty (30) day period, that I wish to invoke review proceedings, at the National Council level, of the decision of the Northeast Region Review Committee to deny reinstatement of my registration with the Boy Scouts of America.

The letter of Charles D. Ball, Assistant Regional Director, dated October 26, 1989 (copy attached) recites absolutely no reasons to justify the decision not to reinstate.

The initial notice of suspension from Atlantic Area Council President Robert Swartz, dated August 15, 1988, similarly failed to include any statement of reasons for this drastic action (which the Area Council thereafter attempted to reverse, only to be impeded by the Region Review Committee action memorialized in the attached letter.)

In the face of this vacuum of information, Mr. Ball's letter gives me thirty (30) days to explain to you "why I believe the decision of the Northeast Region" is in error. I cannot understand how, consistent with fundamental concepts of fairness, I can be expected to adequately defend myself against charges that the Boy Scout organization declines to specify or articulate in any way.

Therefore, since there is no specification of the charges or allegations against me which form the basis of the decision to suspend, I am submitting this Notice as my general certification that I have conducted myself at all times and in all respects in accordance with the rules, regulations and standards of the Boy Scouts of America from the time of my first association with the organization over thirty (30) years ago up to the present day. It is therefore my position that my registration was improperly suspended.

I incorporate by reference into this Notice the factual representaions and the argument contained in my attorney's letter to you dated November 22, 1989, which is being transmitted simultaneously herewith.

When this matter is scheduled for presentation to a National Council review committee, I am hereby requesting:

1. Notice in advance of the date of the communitiee's consideration:

NOTICE OF APPEAL

TO:

Ben Love

FROM: (Rev.) Julian Karczewski

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2. A specification in advance of the allegations being made against me, along with a summary of the evidence which will be used against

- 3. An opportunity to be heard before the committee prior to its reaching a decision;
- 4. An opportunity to present witnesses and evidence on my own behalf.

(Rev.) Julian Karczewski



Northeast Region

Rudy Flythe Regional Director

October 26, 1989

Reverend Julian Karczewski

Ocean City, NJ 08226

Dear Father Karczewski:

The Northeast Region, Boy Scouts of America Review Committee has decided to continue to deny your registration with the Boy Scouts of America.

The decision of the Northeast Region Review Committee to deny your registration is subject to a review by a National Council Review Committee. However, you must write within 30 days to the Chief Scout Executive, Boy Scouts of America, 1325 Walnut Hill Lane, P. O. Box 152079, Irving, Texas 75015-2079, explaining why you believe the decision is in error before review proceedings will be initiated at the National level.

Sincerely,

CHARLES D. BALL Assistant Regional Director

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cc: Director, Registration Service
Scout Executive, Atlantic Area Council



Northeast Region

Rudy Flythe Regional Director

October 4, 1989

TO:

PAUL ERNST, S108

FROM:

CHARLIE BALL

SUBJECT:

REGIONAL REVIEW - DENIED REGISTRATIONS

The Northeast Region Review Committee has been asked to review the denied registrations of:

WILLIAM M. BREZZA, DEL-MAR-VA COUNCIL FATHER JULIAN KARCZENSKI, ATLANTIC AREA COUNCIL WAYNE C. REINER, HAWK MOUNTAIN COUNCIL _____ Co 528 YALE M. ZUSSMAN, GREATER BOSTON COUNCIL

The Review Committee will be conducting the reviews on the material you manual, would you please send me copies of the material you have in the files related to these four individuals.

Thank you.

0814H

cc: R. Flythe

D. Ross - S212

D. Park - S400

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cc:

Regional Review Cte

cc: Review 9/15/89

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September 13, 1989

Reverend Julian Karczewski

Ocean City, N.J. 08226

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Sincerely,

Donald A. Guardian Scout Executive

cc: Charlie Ball, N.E. region

Member Agency: UNITED WAY OF ATLANTIC COUNTY

August 16, 1989

TO:

REGIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Leon L. Nonemaker

Randall T. Murrill, Jr. Walter R. Livingston. Jr.

FROM:

CHARLES D. BALL

Assistant Regional Director

SUBJECT:

FATHER JULIAN KARCZEWSKI, ATLANTIC AREA COUNCIL

David Park, legal counsel for the B.S.A., has recommended that the Regional Review Committee review the file on Father Julian Karchewski.

Please note Mr. Park's comments on the bottom of my memo dated July 20, 1989.

I suggest that we review this file at our October Board Meeting.

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Enclosure (file)



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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Rudy Flythe Regional Director



July 20, 1989

TO:

PAUL ERNST

DAVE PARK

FROM:

CHARLIE BALL

SUBJECT:

FATHER JULIAN KARCZEWSKI, ATLANTIC AREA COUNCIL

The Northeast Region needs some direction and advice on what to do with this request for registration.

Should the regional review committee review this file?

1062H Enclosure





Rudy Flythe Regional Director

July 20, 1989

TO:

PAUL ERNST

DAVE PARK

FROM:

CHARLIE BALL Charles

SUBJECT:

FATHER JULIAN KARCZEWSKI, ATLANTIC AREA COUNCIL

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Should the regional review committee review this file?

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Located on Route 130 and Georges Road in South Brunswick, New Jersey 08852



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Dayton, New Jersey 08810-0350

Dear Rudy,

Please find enclosed an adult application for Father Julian Karczewski. Father Karczewski's registration was suspended August 15, 1988. Per my correspondence to you on June 27, 1989, the Atlantic Area Council notified Father Karczewski that his registration would be reinstated. A copy of the June 27th correspondence is attached.

Ken Davis notified me on July 6th that the local Council is not authorized to reinstate a suspended registration. He further directed me to forward Father Karczewski's application to the regional office.

We have not reviewed the references to date. Please note that Ken Davis and Glenn Pannell are listed. I would appreciate your advice as to the next step. We are in receipt of the \$7.00 registration fee.

Sincerely,

DONALD AY GUARDIAN

Scout Executive

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cc: Paul Ernst, Registration Services

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June 27, 1989

Mr. Rudolph Flythe Northeast Region, BSA

08810 Dayton, ľΝ

Dear Rudy,

This is a follow up to the suspension of Father Julian A. Karczewski's registration with the Boy Scouts of America effective August 15, 1988.

- 1. Correspondence was received from the New Jersey Attorney General's office indicating that the allegations pending against Father Karczewski have not been substantiated, and further indicating that the matter has been administratively closed without further action.
- 2. Mr. Kyren Connor, stating the state's investigation over the past seven months, asked that a review process consider reinstating Father Karczewski's registration. Mr. Connor also asked to review this matter personally with our council president, Robert Swartz. A phone conversation took place between Mr. Connor and Mr. Swartz.
- 3. Upon review of the circumstances, Robert Swartz notified Father Karczewski that his registration would be reinstated.
- 4. Prior to Father Karczewski receiving Mr. Swartz's correspondence, Father contacted me and asked to meet with me. I had a luncheon meeting with Father Karczewski on Monday, June 26th. I found Father Karczewski's recollection of the incident at Camp Edge to be consistent with the statement of the children involved, as reported by the Department of Human Services Institutional Abuse and Neglect Report dated November 28, 1988.
- 5. I am forwarding an adult registration application to Father Julian today.

Sincerely,

DONALD A. GUARDIAN

Scout Executive

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cc: Paul Ernst, Registration Service

Member Agency: UNITED WAY OF ATLANTIC COUNTY



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June 27, 1989

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Ucean City, NJ 08226

Dear Father Julian:

As a follow up to our meeting on Monday, I have notified our Regional Director that your registration was being reinstated.

I have your registration fee in the form of the check returned to you and not cashed for \$5.00. Adult registration is now \$7.00, however since you are not currently a registered scouter (suspended August 15, 1988) an adult application must be completed.

I have enclosed an application with this letter with a return envelope. Please complete the application and forward the \$2.00 difference so that we may process your application.

Sincerely,

DONALD A GUARDIAN Scout Executive

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Susan Manion Statewide Supervisor Institutional Abuse Unit Division of Youth and Family Service Souther Regional Office

Hammonton, NJ 08037

Dear Ms. Manion:

Reference your investigation remort dated December 20, 1988:

Thank you for a thorough report and for the assurance that you and your staff are protecting our children with compassion and professionalism.

Per your request for a response to recommendations:

- I am aware of the State requesting reports of child abuse. For that reason I went to the Atlantic County prosecutors office, who referred me to Salem County, who referred me to the State Division of Criminal
- I cannot speak to the incident in the Southern New (2) Jersey Council, BSA, as this is a separate Council operation.

I would take exception to the wording in page 5, II Allegation. I made absolutely no allegation that any individual was sexually abusing boys. Knowing: (1) that any allegation requires a professional investigator, I conducted no such investigation; (2) I recognized that the observations were merely suspicious, nothing more; (3) and, it is BSA policy as well as State Law to report even suspicion to the proper authorities. I reported suspicions only to investigator Gail McCann.

Your recommendations are appreciated and again thank you for being concerned about youth protection. The Boy Scouts of America join you in the concern for their protection. Recently numerous steps have been taken for youth protection education at all levels, strengthening our leader selection process, creating "barriers" to potential child abusers, prompt reporting, and, swift action. Although this is a National sociological problem we recognize that Scouting could be a prime target for offenders. We are now making it very difficult for "them" to get involved. Thank you again for your excellent work and support.

Sincerely,

William M. Ridge

Scout Executive





DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
OLVISION OF YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES

December 20, 1988





RE: Alleged Institutional Abuse of

bear Mr. Ridge: -

It is the responsibility of the Division of Youth and Family Services to investigate all child abuse and neglect referrals as outlined in N.J.S.A. 9:6-8:11. This is to notify you that on August 15, 1988, the Division's Southern Regional Office received an altegation of sexual abuse of the above-named children at the William Edge Camp.

As you will note in the attached copy of the report, the allegation was unsubstantiated with serious concerns. The attached report concains recommendations, which I support. Please respond to the status of the recommendations within thirty days.

Ender the state confidentiality statute, N.J.S.A. 9:6-8.10a et seq., reports, records, and information included in this letter constanting child abuse and neglect are confidential. In accordance with the statute, however, we can release the reports, records, or introduction pertaining to our investigation of allegations of abuse to you to help ensure that proper care, treatment, or supervision is provided not only to the specific child or children involved in this matter, but to all children under the care and supervision of which facility. In conjunction with the provisions of proper care, these reports or information may be used in any investigations or tistiplinary actions you may find necessary.

The law requires any agency or person receiving these reports or the smarton to preserve their confidentiality, and it provides for smarton to preserve their confidentiality, and it provides for small penalties for anyone violating its provisions. Therefore, when conducting appropriate investigations and disciplinary without steps should be taken to limit access to this material to persons necessary to the investigation or disciplinary action. The materials and information contained therein may not be disclosed to the public or to the press either directly or as part of any otherwise public records or proceedings.

Sincerely,

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Susan Manion Statewide Supervisor Institutional Abuse Unit

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IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

Child's Name:

Date of Birth:

Parent's Name:

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Home Address:

Case Number: None

DYFS Office Supervising: None

Date of Incident: 07/24/88

Institution: Camp Edge, Boys Scouts Camp

Institution's Address:

Director of Institution:

Alloway, New Jersey

William Ridge, Scout Executive - Atlantic Area

Council, Boys Scouts of America

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DYFS Office Investigating: Southern Regional Office

Hammonton, N.J.

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

Child's Name:

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Date of Birth:

Parent's Name:

Father

Home Address:

New Jersey

Case Number:

None

DYFS Office Supervising:

None

Date of Incident:

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Institution:

Camp Edge, Boys Scouts
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Alloway, New Jersey

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DYFS Office Investigating:

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ALLEGATION

On August 15, 1988, the Southern Regional investigating unit reported the following information to the Institutional Abuse Unit: On August 15, 1988, Gail McCann, Investigator for the Salem County Prosecutor's Office, reported that Mr. William Ridge, Executive of the Boys Scouts of America, alleged that a Priest, Father Julian Karozewski, has been sexually abusing boys at Camp Edge during the 1988 Summer season.

ITT INVESTIGATION

Statement of Children

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On September 15, 1988, was interviewed by the investigating worker at the home of his present during the his and provided the following information: He was not involved in the Catholic Mass, because he is not Catholic. He does not recall seeing Father Julian. He did not hear any conversation concerning a Priest at the camp. He enjoyed camp as it was his first camp experience.

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was interviewed at his home by the investigating worker Thomas Flannagan, Investigator for the Division of Criminal Justice, on September 20, 1988. He provided the following informawent to camp on a Sunday, arriving at approximately 3:30 put their packs in the trailer and settled into their e boys put on their trunks and took a swimming test. went back to camp, dressed in their uniforms, and had the mess hall. After dinner they went to Mass with Father Julian, at the lake. Present with was did not give their last names, as he could not recall they stayed about five to ten minutes after mass was over. Father Julian was kidding with them and called them "smurfs." Iulian but his arm around the neck or shoulders of did not recall seeing Father Julian place anyone on or over his lap. He recalled Father Julian talking but he did not recall him pulling anyone up to him (up to his rotch area, as described by a Boy Scout Executive). Later, all the boys went back to the camp site. It is aware of "good tourn - bad touch" but nothing "bad" happened during camp. His scout leader's name was Victor. They had good food to eat, and enjoyed the experience.

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was interviewed by the investigating worker at his home on September 16, 1988. He provided the following information: He saw the Priest and recalled that he had graying hair and was making inice jokes."

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observed the mass in force as he passed, but he did not not notice anyone "fooling around" (those are his words).

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was interviewed by the investigating worker and Tom Fiannagan at his home on September 20, 1988. He provided the following information: He went to camp on Sunday. He unpacked and pur on his swim trunks. He qualified and was allowed to swim. They went into the dining hall and were given rules and instructions. They went back to camp, got dressed, went to the dining room and ate their dinner, and later went to Mass.

(both Webelos) also went to Mass. Mr. Melvin and Mr. Smith (both Boy Scout Leaders) took them to the Catholic service.

could not recall Father Julian's name, but described him as Toig, with brown/graying hair." He agreed that his name was Farner Julian after Tom Flannagan gave him the name.

After mass, Father Julian put stuff-"wine"-back in his car.

The said nothing to the boys. He played with by taking off hat. denied that Father Julian touched anyone, or put his arms around anyone. He recalled that Father Julian tickled was sitting on his lap.

reported that has blonde hair, and has dark brown hair.

recalled that was standing in front of Father Julian. Father Julian had his arms around the Father was not bouching his body to the called all of the boys "smurfs."

3. Statement of Alleged Perpetrator

FATHER JULIAN KARCZEWSKI, Priest

On August 25, 1988, the investigating worker and Investigator Flannagan interviewed Father Julian at the Diocese in Ocean City. He refused to discuss the matter, referring the investigators to his legal representative, Mr. Kyran Connor, located in Ocean City.

Though Father Julian did not divulge any information to the investigator's, he did say that he had done nothing wrong, and no one gave him a chance to explain. He reported that they were not courteous, they just asked him not to come back. In reference to the poior allegation, while he did not discuss that either, he did report that that, too, was a misunderstanding and at some point in time, he hoped to meet with both investigator's and clear up the matter.

C. Statement of Witnesses

1. Children

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2. Staff

MR. WILLIAM SCHMITZ, Scout Executive, Camp Edge

Mr. Schmitz was interviewed by the investigating worker at the Boy Scout Headquarters on Northfield, on August 23, 1988. Subsequent to that date, he was interviewed by the investigating worker and Tom Flannagan at the same facility on August 25, 1983. During both sessions, he provided the following information: On Sunday, July 24, 1988, he was in the dining room of Camp Edge and mentioned to Mr. Gene Melvin (C.O.P.E. Director) and a staff person) that Father Julian, who was sharing mass duties with Father Harshaw, would be doing the mass that night. Mass was held at 6:45 p.m. exclaimed, "Oh no, not him.". During dinner Mr. Melvin and Mr. Schmitz asked why he made that statement. He reported that three or four years earlier, when he worked at the Roosevelt Camp Site, Father Julian was a Priest there and was dismissed around rumors of sexual improprieties.

Later that evening, after dinner and chapel service, as Mr. Schmitz went down a trail, he observed Father Julian. Outside mass was over, and he had removed his vestments. Father Julian was wearing his shorts scouting uniform and was sitting with his legs

spread apart on a picnic bench, facing the lake. His left side was toward Mr. Schmitz's view. Mr. Schmitz was approximately twenty yards from Father Julian and the boys. He observed Father Julian hug one of the boys by putting his arms around him, and pulling him into his genital area. He reported that Father Julian was "moving his body" in a sexually suggestive way. Mr. Schmitz observed this from his vantage point behind a tree. He remained there, and when Father Julian turned the boy aloose, he then pulled another boy over to him, placing him across his knee and patting his buttocks. This is when Mr. Schmitz approached Father Julian and the boy, and directed the boys to go back to the camp site. When Father Julian saw Mr. Schmitz approaching him, he immediately got up and began sarbering his vestments and other Mass materials.

Father Julian and Mr. Schmitz exchanged greetings, and Father Julian went toward his car. He mumbled out loud, "Where is the holy water?" He found it on the front seat of the car. Apparently his flash light was beside the water, because he picked the flash light up and put it into his back pocket. This caught Mr. Schmitz's immediate attention, as it was approximately 7:15 to 7:30 p.m. and still quite light out. Based on what he had heard from ______ and what he himself observed that day, he feared the worst.

The boys were playing along the trail, and Father Julian caught up with them. In the mean time, Mr. Schmitz instructed Keith Vanderbrink, Commissary Director, to contact Gene Melvin and direct the boys back to the camp site. This would not cause attention to the immediacy of separating Father Julian from the boys, and raise suspicion. The boys, upon direction, hurried on and Father Julian went to his car and drove away.

That evening, Mr. Schmitz and conferenced the matter as to what had occurred two or three years earlier. Theiterated the sex abuse rumor. He also asked Gene Melvin what he observed when he went to get the boys involved in the current incident. Mr. Melvin reported that when he directed the boys, Father left.

Both Mr. Melvin and Mr. Schmitz wrote separate incident reports and turned them in to Mr. William Ridge. Mr. Ridge made the referral.

As a result of the incident, Father Julian is no longer registered with the Boy Scouts of America. Apparently, in the prior incident, this was not the case. He was sent away from the camp after that incident, but his registration was not discontinued.

The next day, told Mr. Schmitz that the rumor at the time of the prior incident involving Father Julian was that he cad propositioned one of the scout's for oral sex during a confessional. said that this was a rumor and did not know if it was actually the allegation.

3. Other Collateral Sources

MR. SYD BRODY, Immediate Past President of Southern New Jersey Council of the Boy Scouts of America

MR. C.J. TESTONE, Scout Executive, Southern New Jersey Council of the Boys Scouts of America

On September 1, 1988, the investigating worker and Tom Flannagan met with Mr. Brody and Mr. Testone for an interview/lunch at Coastline South Restaurant in Vineland, New Jersey. The meeting was to discuss the prior incident. This incident occurred at Summer Camp at Turnpike in Alloway, New Jersey, during the summer of 1984. During the twilight hours of that day, Father Julian was speaking to two young boys, age 14. He mentioned to them and to others prior to that time, that there was a tick problem at the camp. He called these two 14 year olds over to inspect them for ticks. The three of them were in a tent, with the tent door open. They were wearing 8.V.D. type under shorts. Father Julian proceeded to part the opening in the front of the shorts of one of the boys underwear and looked in at the genital area, and then closed the opening. The other boy refused to allow himself to be searched. It was reported that Father Julian did not touch the area with his hand, he just looked.

Father Julian was assigned as the camp Chaplain. Part of his duties as Chaplain were to offer solace and support to the boys in the event of problems and/or home sickness.

One of the boys was the son of a camp Scout master. Two staff members were close to the boys, and the boys reported it to the camp director, who then told Mr. Testone. They met and decided to contact the Chaplain and also the parent of one of the boys. The other parent, who was a Scout master, did not want to attend the meeting. The decision was made not to investigate the matter further. The Priest was confronted. They felt it was sexually motivated. Father Julian denied that it was sexually motivated. He was asked to leave the camp, as the two boys would be in camp for another week after the incident occurred.

In both the fall of 1984, and 1985, he requested reinstatement. It was denied. In 1984 he was told that those two boys would be returning to camp. In 1985 he was told that his services were not needed. That allegation was not revealed to the Diocese of Camden. Father Julian continually requested a face to face meeting with the boys, their parents, and whomever was necessary to discuss the matter.

Mr. Testone and Mr. Brody informed Investigator Flannagan that in order to look at the record of the prior incident, they would have to be subpoenaed through the court system. Mr. Flannagan advised them that if it became necessary, he would do just that. Also, it possibly would involve an interview with the two young men the are now approximately 18 or 19 years of age.

D. Statement of Administrator

MR. WILLIAM RIDGE, Administrator of New Jersey Council of Boy Scouts of America

Mr. Ridge was interviewed by Gail McCann, Investigator for Salem County Prosecutor's Office, on August 16, 1988. He provided the following information: He would be meeting with Father Julian on Thursday, August 18, 1988, to terminate his employment. He had advised Father Julian's Supervisor, Reverend Albert Harshaw of Bridgeton and Monsignor Domenic Bottino, of the Camden Arch Diocese, of the allegations.

Mr. Ridge advised Investigator McCann that Mr. Schmitz was the Camp Director at Camp Edge, and he could give names of possible victims to her. He also advised that the prior allegation occurred at Camp Roosevelt and to contact Mr. C.J. Testone, the Executive for that Camp, about those prior allegations.

E. Medical Statements or Reports

None

F. Additional Information

None

IV. EVALUATION

Based on the information provided, the finding is unsubstantiated with serious concerns. The preponderance of the evidence supports that while the alleged perpetrator was not overt in his actions with the boys, the observation of those actions by the score Executive appeared to be sexually exploitive. The actions by the alleged perpetrator were so subtle that though the boys were old enough to know good/bad touch, they were unaware of what was recurring. The Scout Executive, however, from his vantage point, could observe the actions by the alleged perpetrator, which were less subtle in his view. The prior incident, which involved "the

alleged perpetrator looking at the boys genital area for ticks,"
was felt to be "sexually motivated." He was dismissed immediately
and denied re-hiring for succeeding years until the current incident. After the current incident, he was no longer registered with
the Boy Scouts of America. Both incidents would suggest that a
pattern was formed. Though both the boys and the Priest deny any
hint of genital contact, the Scout Executive confirms that he saw
what he believed to be genital contact and genital gratification by
the alleged perpetrator. This conflict suggests that the interaction by the alleged perpetrator was unjustified and his method
inappropriate, placing the children at risk had staff not intervened.

V. REMEDIAL ACTION TAKEN

A. By the Facility

The alleged perpetrator was immediately dismissed. His registration with the facility was discontinued. New policies are being developed that will be invoked in the next camp year for 1989.

B. By the Institutional Abuse Investigation Unit

None

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VI. REFERRAL TO LAW ENFORCEMENT

This incident was referred to IAIU by the Salem County Prosecutor's Office and IAIU referred the incident to the Division of Criminal Justice on August 15, 1988.

VII. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Administration refer to the statute N.J.S.A. 9:6-8.14 that describes any person, having reasonable cause to believe that child abuse or neglect has been committed, and knowlingly fails to report this incident, is a disorderly person; as in regards to the prior unreported allegation.

It is also recommended that Administration be aware of New Morsey statute N.J.S.A. 9:6-8.10, which reads that any person having reasonable cause to believe that a child has been abused or neglected shall report it immediately to the Division of Youth & Family Services. This recommendation is made as a result of the particular allegation, as well as the current incident, which occurred approximately 2 1/2 weeks prior to the reporting date.

While it is recognized that all proper procedures were taken in regard to the current incident, it is believed that if the prior incident had been reported, it would have thwarted this incident and ensured the safety of the children, without subjecting them to lisk of harm.

VIII.SIGNATURES

Prepared by:

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Date

Institutional Abuse Investigator

Approved by:

Martha W. Hollingsworth

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Date

Regional Supervisor

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERCIA

September 28, 1988

Rev. Julian Karczewski

cean City, N.J. 08226

ear Rev. Karczewski:

In receipt of your September 23, 1988 letter requesting review of your registration suspension with the Boy couts of America. The review proceedure will provide you he opportunity to be heard prior to reaching any decision. It is will comply with your request for delay of the review ending completion of noted investigations. Please notify in writing as to the appropriate time convenient to you begin the review process.

Very truly yours,

Robert Swartz
Council President

cc: H. Broome /

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CONFIDENTIAL

Ocean City, NJ 08226

September 23, 1988

JULIAN KARCZEWSKI

Robert Swartz
Council President
AMIANMIC 1981 COUNCIL INC.

Morthfield, NJ 08225

RE: Your Letter Dated August 15, 1988

Dear Mr. Swartz:

Please accept this letter as my formal notification, within the prescribed day period, that I wish your decision *suspending my registration with the Boy Scouts of America* to be reviewed.

In the text of your 8/15/88 letter, there are absolutely no reasons given to justify or explain your decision to suspend. You will also recall that when my attorney and I met with you and with Mr. Ridge at Mr. Broome's office on 8/18/88, we explicitly asked for a specification of the allegations against me. At that time, Mr. Ridge advised us that this was "not permitted".

In the face of this vacuum of information, your letter gives me 60 days to 'explain (my) version of the facts supporting [my] claim that [my] registration as a 3SA member should be granted or reinstated".

I cannot understand how, consistent with fundamental concepts of fairness, I can be expected to adequately defend myself against charges that you refuse to specify or articulate in any way.

Therefore, since there is no specification of the charges or allegations against me which from the basis of your decision to suspend, I am submitting this letter as my general certification that I have conducted myself at all times and in all respects in accordance with the rules, guidelines, regulations and standards of the Boy Scouts of America from the time of my first association with the organization over 30 years ago up to the present day. It is therefore my position that my registration was improperly suspended.

September 23, 1988 Page Two

When this matter is presented to the review committee, I am hereby requesting notice in advance of the committee's consideration, and I am also hereby requesting an opportunity to be heard before the committee prior to its reaching a decision.

As you know, even though your organization has declined to tell me anything about the reasons for its present actions, a report of some nature has been lodged with the New Jersey Division of Youth and Family Services and the New Jersey Attorney General's Office. Since the state authorities have advised my attorney that they are conducting a criminal investigation (again of unspecified allegations) based on your organization's report, I am asking that the review of my case by your appeals committee be delayed until such time as the State concludes its investigation, so as not to prejudice my legal and constitutional rights in the face of the State investigation which you have caused to be launched.

Thanking you for your kind attention, and noting my disappointment at the acruptness and arbitrariness of the Atlantic Area Council towards me after so many years of faithful and devoted service, I am,

Very truly yours,

(Rev.) Julian Karczewski

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August 15, 1988

<u>Father Julian A. Karczewski</u>

Our Lady of Good Consolation Church Ocean City, N.J. 08226

Dear Father Karczewski:

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

You should understand that 8SA membership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to suspend registration whenever there is a concern that an individual may not measure up to the high standards of membership the 8SA seeks to provide for American Youth.

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

Sincerely,

Robert Swartz
Council President

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September 19, 1988

Mr. William M. Ridge Scout Executive Atlantic Area Council, No. 331

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Julian A. Karczewski

Dear Bill:

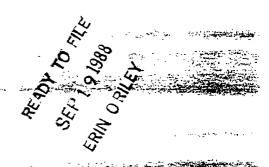
Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Confidencial File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director Registration Service

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cc: Northeast Region







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Paul Ernst Director of Registration BSA National 1325 Walnut Hill Lane 75038-3096 Irving, Texas

Dear Paul:

Enclosed is a letter of suspension for your referral and action. Attached are supporting documentation. Hope you find all in order. Proper Law Enforcement authorities notified of suspicions. Let me know how I can be of further help.

Sincerely,

William M. Ridge

cc: R. Flythe

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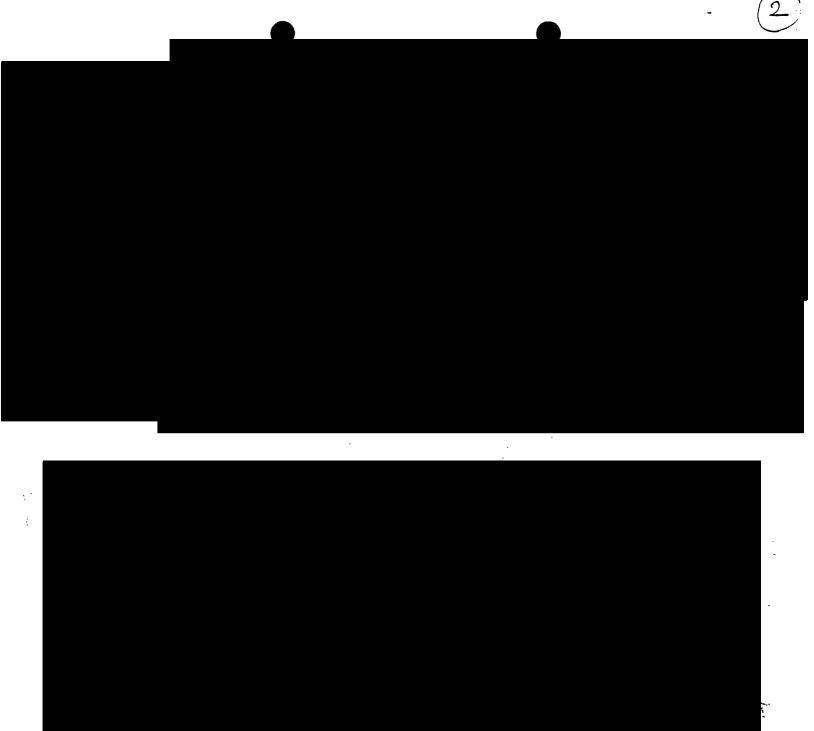
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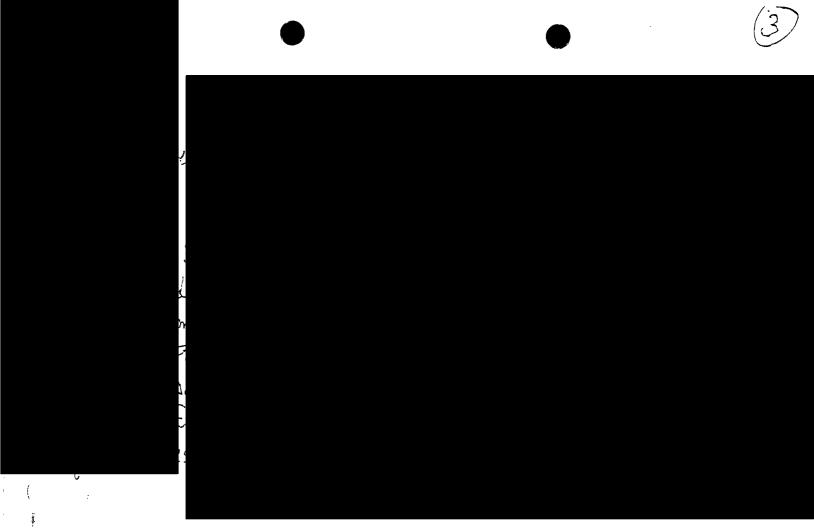
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Robert Swartz

Council President

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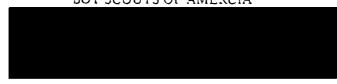
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Rudolph Flythe Northeast Region Director, BSA

Dayton, N.J.

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RE: Father Julian A. Karczewski

Dear Rudy/Charlie:

Concluded hand delivery of letters of suspension Thursday, August 18, 1988. Meeting conducted at Council attorney's office, Henry G. Broome, Jr. In attendance: Father Julian Karczewski, his attorney Kyran Conner of Ocean City, N.J., Council President Robert Swartz, Council attorney Henry Broome (although he exited meeting following introductions and hand shakes-was not present for meeting), and Council Executive Bill Ridge. Council President handed letter to Father Karczewski, he and lawyer read it and the appeal proceedures, and noted registration check. Very brief — meeting, 12 minutes. Father said not one word! Lawyer inquired if accusations would be presented at an appeal hearing, My response was yes! No discussion beyond that took place. They left saying "that was all for now", leaving the impression there would be follow up.

It is evident they have and know most of the details of the case, because the lawyer (slipped) and at first thought I was Bill Schmitz (Senior District Executive, Camp Director). This information was passed on either by Scout Diocesan Chaplain Father A.E. Harshaw, with whom our attorney and President felt we should confide with in deference to the "church". Father Harshaw claims he was never asked not to discuss the matter. On the contrary, I was most emphatic that all this was confidential and a courtousy to him and the church. Regardless, this should be a caution in further dealings with Father Harshaw. Our own Council attorney may, on his own, have provided information. He informed me that he had spoken "off the record" with the attorney (Conner) whom he knew.

Per proceedure, and your instructions Charlie. I met with the Salem County Prosecutors investigator to report our suspicion, including the 1985 Camp Roosevelt incident. Because this case occurred in a camp (institutional jurisdiction goes to N.J. State) it was referred to N.J. Attorney Generals Office. I am presently cooperating with attorney investigator Tom Flannigan.

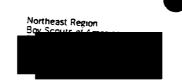
It should be noted that the one report from Camp staff member in reference to "oral sex" (Camp Roosevelt- 1985) was absolutely incorrect according to Scout Executive Connie Testone. Although he did confirm that Father Karczewski had an incident and was asked not to return to Camp Roosevelt.

I (we) have strived to follow proceedure, with the "book" literally in our hands through all this. I truly respect and appreciate the guidance of Charlie Ball almost on a daily basis. We will proceed with an appropriate appeal hearing if requested, or, let you know if we get a law suit out of it. In any case, our boys are protected, even if from suspicion. Thanks again for your support in a very difficult and unpleasant experience.

Sincerely,

William M. Ridge Scout Executive





August 18, 1988

TO:

BILL RIDGE ATLANTIC AREA COUNCIL

Attached is for your file on Father Karczewski. I will keep the original here.

CDB

Charles D. Ball

attachment:
copy-08/17/88 lette
from C.J.T.



Northeast Region Boy Scouts of America P.O. Box 350 Dayton, New Jersey 08810 (201) 821-6500

August 18, 1988

TO:

CONNIE TESTONE SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY COUNCIL

Please send us a copy of the letter that you sent to Father Karczewski dated December 26, 1985.

CDB

Charles D. Ball



SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY COUNCIL, INC. BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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August 17, 1988

Charles Ball
Asst. Regional Director
Boy Scouts of America
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Dayton, NJ 08810-0350

Dear Charlie,

Enclosed is the statement requested by you regarding an incident that occurred at Roosevelt Scout Reservation during the summer of 1985.

Cordially,

C.J/. Testone Scout Executive

CJT/lp Enc.



August 17, 1988

During the summer of 1985 two scouts at Roosevelt Scout Reservation reported an incident involving Father Julian Karczewski which they felt uncomfortable with.

The Scout Executive was notified. The Camp Director, Scout Executive and involved staff members met and reviewed the information.

The Scout Executive and Camp Director met with Father Karczewski to discuss the incident. Although it appeared to be an innocent thing in Father Karczewski's eyes, it was in appropriate and the boys felt uncomfortable about it.

After reviewing the matter with the unit leader and parents and informing them we would not be inviting Father Karczewski to return to camp, the matter was resolved for them.

The Camp Chairman, Scout Executive and Camp Director agreed not to invite Father Karczewski to be Camp Chaplain for the coming summer and so informed him by letter dated December 26, 1985.

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Rudy Flythe Regional Director



August 15, 1988

MEMO TO COMPLAINT FILE (Father Julian A. Karczewski)

Follow up on contacts by Charles D. Ball:

August 11, 1988 I spoke with William Ridge, Scout Executive, Atlantic Area Council, Northfield, NJ. Bill informed me that he will be meeting with Reverend Harshaw, Diocesan Scout Chaplain today, August 11th, to inform him of suspicions that have been voiced against Father Karczewski. Bill will also meet with Sergeant Howard Kauffman at the county prosecutor's office on August 16th to report the incident to him.

August 11, 1988 I spoke with Connie Testone, Scout Executive, Southern New Jersey Council, to find out if that council had anything on file regarding an incident with Father Karczewski at the Southern New Jersey Council's Scout camp. Connie said nothing was on file but that he would ask the camp director for a written statement and would sent me a copy.

August 11, 1988 I spoke with Joseph DeCanio, Scout Executive, Camden County Council, to alert Joe of the problems with Father Karczewski. Father Karczewski also has said Mass in the Camden County Council's Scout camp. Joe said he knows the priest. Joe also said he has not had any negative reports regarding Father Karczewski.

August 11, 1988 I spoke with Dann Cooke, Director of Catholic Relationships, National Office, regarding Father Karczewski and the National Jamboree. Father Karczewski served as a Scout chaplain at the 1985 Jamboree. Dann Cooke said Father Karczewski has not applied for a chaplain's position for the 1989 Jamboree as yet. If Father Karczewski does apply for a chaplain's position in the 1989 Jamboree, Dann Cooke will notify him that all chaplain's positions have been filled.

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Rev. Albert E. Harshaw Diocesan Scout Office

Bridgeton, N.J. 08302

Dear Father Harshaw:

The intent of this letter is to confirm our telephone conversation of August 11, 1988 expressing concerns for the conduct of Rev. Julian Karczewski (Assistant Scout Chaplain) at Camp Edge this summer (July 24, 1988). A meeting is scheduled this week with Father Karczewski, myself, and Council President Robert Swartz. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Bill

William M. Ridge Scout Executive

cc: R. Swartz

H. Broome, Jr.

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August 5, 1988

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Dear Rudy:

Reference our telephone conversation August 4th in the matter of Father Julian A. Karczewski: Council President, Council Attorney (H.G. Broome, former Council President), and Camp Director (Senior District Executive) William Schmitz met this morning.

Conclusions:

- (1) No "criminal" act concluded.
- (2) High degree of suspicion of a morals problem with Father Julian.
- (3) Scout Executive Connie Testone confirmed a previous problem with boys; parents chose not to press charges; Scout Executive met with Father Julian and told him not to serve Camp Roosevelt. The date of this incident is unclear, but between 2 and 3 years ago.
- 4) Council Attorney instructed Scout Executive to meet with Diocesan Scout Chaplain, Father Harshaw to advise him of <u>suspicions</u>, and, to request that Father Julian no longer be in association with the Atlantic Area Council. A follow up letter confirming this meeting to be sent to Father Harshaw, for the record.
- (5) Council Attorney instructed to informally meet with Sgt. Howard Kauffman, child abuse specialist and authority with Atlantic County prosecutor office to inform him of "Suspicions" only; for the record.

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The above two action steps are now underway. I will inform you of outcome, etc. I should point out two things. One, Someone may want to inform Connie Testone to be prepared for a potential confidential inquiry to that incident. Second, I am certain that Father Julian Karczewski has been, and, again will serve on the National Jamboree staff. Someone may want to address this.

Will keep you informed.

Sincere regards,

William M. Ridge Scout Executive



Diocese of Camden

DIOCESAN CATHOLIC COMMITTEE ON SCOUTING

Attention:

All Catholic Scouts & Cenders

DIOCESAN SCOUT OFFICE

Bridgeron, NJ 08302

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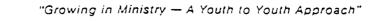
1988 Summer Camp Season Mass Schedule for Catholics

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July 17th		Fr. A. E. Harsham	Fr. A. E. Barshaw
July 24th		Fr. J. A. Karczewski	Fr. A. E. Harsham
July 31st		(Regular Camp Season Over)	Fr. A. E. Harsham

Thuse wishing to receive the Sucrament of Penance may do so either before the Celebration of the Mass or immediately afterwards -- please inform the priest when he arrives.

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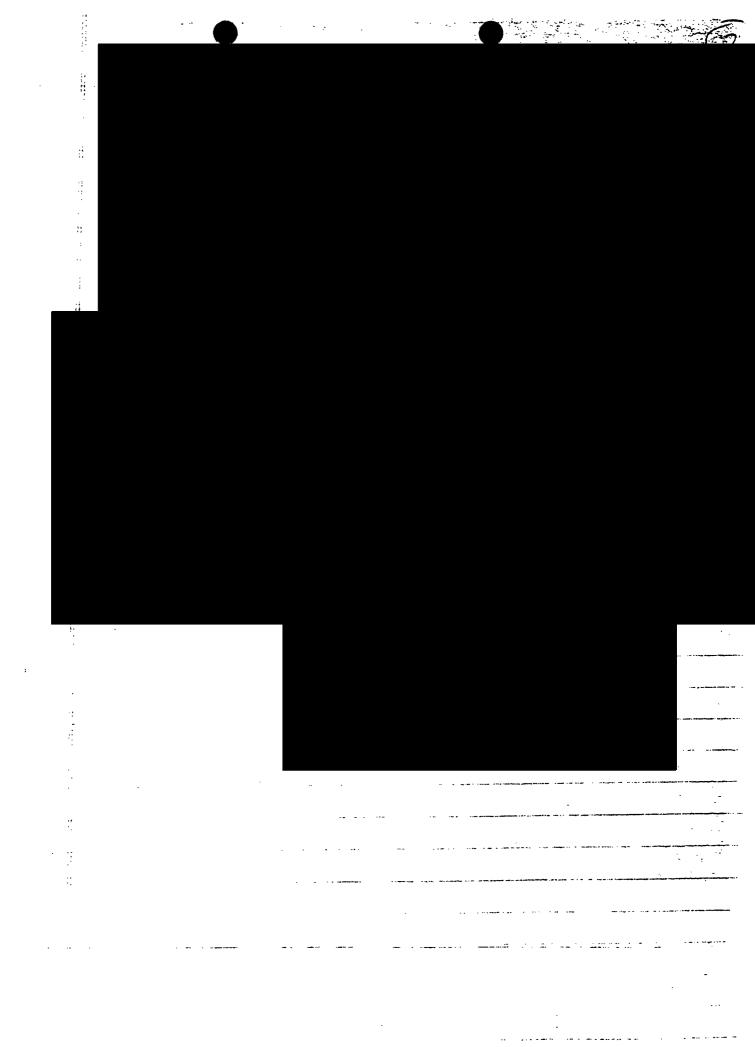
Anyone wishing to speak with a Catholic priest during the week can call and ask for Father Barsham. Information concerning the Catholic Religious Emblems in Scouting are available through the Catholic Chaplains for the asking!



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