

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE September 28, 1987

FULL NAME Ralph A. McKinney SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY Scottsdale STATE AZ ZIP CODE 85257

DATE OF BIRTH March 1964 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 23 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION Baptist NATIONALITY U.S. Citizen

OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

EDUCATION \_\_\_\_\_

WEIGHT 175 HEIGHT 6' RACE Caucasian

COLOR OF HAIR Blonde COLOR OF EYES Blue

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS Ralph is mentally retarded

MARRIED OR SINGLE Single CHILDREN NA

NAME OF SPOUSE NA (Number, ages, and names, if possible)

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

<u>UNIT #</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>DATE REGISTERED</u>	<u>DATE RESIGNED</u>
T-640 Troop for Handicapped	Scottsdale	AZ	Member	10-4-73	9-28-87
<u>SPECIAL RECOGNITION</u>					

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

Ralph was charged with molesting a 5 year old boy at his church on August 23, 1987. Ralph admitted to the Pastor, his father and the police that he did what he is charged with.

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT OPINION, CONJECTURE OR SPECULATION):

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JOSEPH L ANGLIM  
Signed

*David Brannon*  
*J. Lee Brannon*  
~~SCOUT EXECUTIVE~~  
Director of Field Service  
Council Therese Roosevelt - 10

November 10, 1987

Mr. E. Earl Hays  
Scout Executive  
Theodore Roosevelt Council, No. 10

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Ralph A. McKinney

Dear Sonny:

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 Confidential File.

Sincerely,

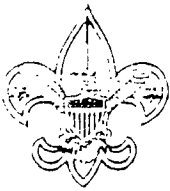
Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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cc: Western Region

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Theodore Roosevelt Council • Boy Scouts of America

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Paul Ernst  
Director, Registration Service  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
Irving, TX 75038-3096

Dear Paul,

Re: Richard Ward

I have been unable to gather the information from [REDACTED] the woman from Bountiful, Utah, who called me originally. The only information I have is as follows: Richard served time in the Juvenile Center of the Provo Mental Hospital for sexually abusing children. A Judge Van Dyke handled the case. Richard was released June 5, 1987. This is the only information I could get from [REDACTED]. She says that she is afraid to give any more data. I have not spoken to her for some time. Richard's current LDS Bishop, here in Phoenix, confirmed the above information when I spoke to him on June 18. That is all we've got. I have notes of both these conversations in my file.

Re: Ralph McKinney:

We do not have an application with Ralph's signature because he joined as a youth member and remained registered as youth member since he is handicapped. I hope this does not make it too difficult to keep him on the confidential file.

Thanks for all your help.

Sincerely,

J. Reed Brannon  
Director of Field Service

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cc: "Sonny" Hays  
Gene Richey

*\* Just for your info... return to me for later follow-up cm.*

October 14, 1987

Reed Brannon  
Director of Field Services  
Theodore Roosevelt Council, No. 10

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Ralph A. McKinney

Dear Reed:

Thank you for the Confidential Record Sheet and other material you recently sent concerning the above named individual. This is complete and will help us to maintain this individual on our file and refuse registration should an attempt be made.

I would like to have an application with Mr. McKinney's signature to help in the process of identification.

If there is any legal action, we would like to have the outcome. If there is a conviction, we would like to add it to our file. This information will help strengthen our file and make it complete.

Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

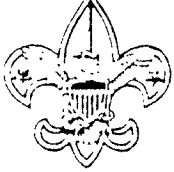
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cc: Western Region  
E. Earl Hays, Scout Executive, Theodore Roosevelt Council, No. 10

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# Theodor Roosevelt Council • Boy Scouts of America

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**SCOUT EXECUTIVE**  
E. Earl "Sonny" Hays

Ralph A. McKinney  
[REDACTED]

Scottsdale, AZ 85257

(Delivered by Hand)


Dear Ralph,

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 that you may have with the Boy Scouts of America. A refund of your registration fee is enclosed.

You should understand that B.S.A. 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 meet the high standards of membership which the B.S.A. seeks to provide for American youth.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed by a Council Review Committee, please write to me explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a B.S.A. member should be reinstated.

Sincerely,

  
Anthony V. Ehmann  
Council President

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Notes of meeting of 9-28-87 delivering registration suspension letter to  
Ralph McKinney - 3:40 p.m. - September 28, 1987

On September 28, 1987 at 2:30 p.m., I delivered the attached letter to Ralph McKinney as prescribed by our procedures to suspend registration. Accompanying me was Asst. Council Commissioner, Wally Butterworth. We delivered the letter to [REDACTED] Ralph's father, who read the letter, handed it to Ralph McKinney who read the letter also. This procedure was done because Ralph is mentally retarded and we wanted to assure that the contents were understood and would be carried out. I explained that Ralph was not to be associated in any way with the B.S.A. from today on. I said that this included all activities including Troop meetings. Both [REDACTED] and Ralph expressed that they understood. I asked Ralph if he had any questions and he said "no, not right now." I explained to both [REDACTED] and Ralph that there was an appeal process that could be taken and that this appeal process was stated in the letter.

I assured [REDACTED] that Ralph's registration suspension in no way affected [REDACTED] registration ([REDACTED] is Scoutmaster of [REDACTED] and a district Scouter) and that our only concern at this time was to remove Ralph from Scouting registration based on the materials that had been given to me. I assured both [REDACTED] and Ralph that this material and this procedure was being done in confidence. [REDACTED] said that he appreciated that and said "I know how you work and that things will be done properly."

After asking, again, if there were any questions (there were none) we left. The meeting lasted approximately 15 minutes.

September 3, 1987

J. Reed Brannon  
Director Field Services  
Boy Scouts of Arizona BSA  
[REDACTED]

Phoenix, Az. 85016-7715

Dear Sir,

I regret to inform you that a young man who is a member of the Boy Scouts of America has been charged for sexually molesting my five year old son.

It is my understanding he is a member of Scout Troop 640 in Scottsdale. I have also been told that he has had prior charges filed against him. My concern is that he was a Boy Scout camp counselor this past summer.

As a parent this raises many questions in my mind as to the safety of the boys who attend camp. What a shame that issues of this nature even need be discussed.

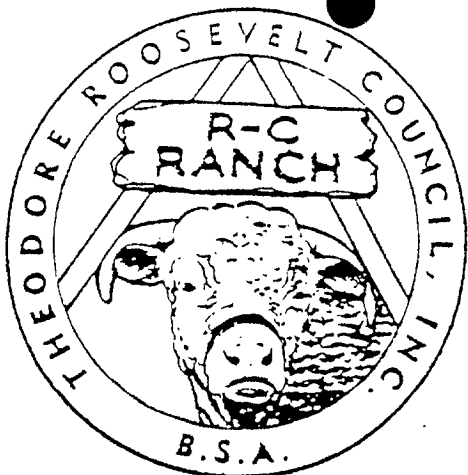
Because of the respect I have always had for your organization, I felt it imperative to notify you of the situation. Other children need to be protected from this terrible nightmare. I felt certain that you must have some sort of policy or position on this type of situation or you would not be able to maintain your well respected stance across the nation.

\* You will find a copy of the police report attached. The young man's name is Ralph McKinney.

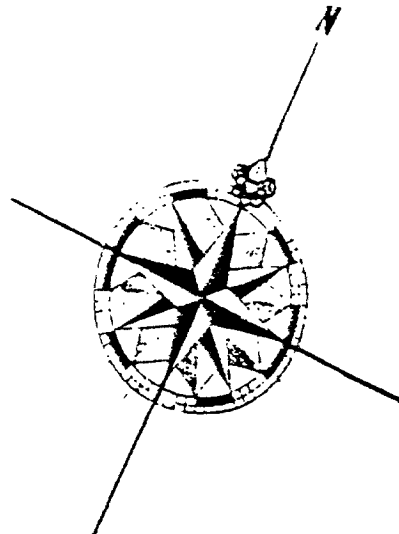
Most regretfully,  
[REDACTED]

\* Police Report unavailable for 2 weeks. I will forward it to you.  
[Signature]

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL



PAYSON  
ARIZONA  
August 31, 1987



J. Reed Brannon, D.F.S.  
Theodore Roosevelt Council, Inc.  
[REDACTED]  
Phoenix, Arizona 85016-7715

Dear Reed:

This letter is to confirm our phone conversation of Friday, August 28, 1987 with regard to Scout Ralph McKinney of Troop 640. Ralph has been charged with, and has admitted to sexually violating a five year old child named [REDACTED] while attending Sunday School & Church. This violation occurred at the First Baptist Church of Scottsdale on Sunday morning August 23, 1987. This is, at least, Ralph's second known offense.

The reason for my involvement in this notification is that [REDACTED] is [REDACTED] and in conversation with Pastor Robert Brouwer, Pastor of First Church, I advised him of my personal relationship to both [REDACTED] and to T.R.C. At your request, I have also asked [REDACTED] to give you written notification, and to obtain for your records a copy of the police report taken by the City of Scottsdale.

Reed, I do appreciate your concerned and confidential handling of this matter to the protection of [REDACTED], his family, and Scouting as a whole. The actions that you explained to me, that will be taken at local and at national level of the B.S.A. should be sufficient in so far as Scouting is concerned.

Respectfully yours in Scouting,  
[REDACTED]

*Hi Adventure  
Spot  
In  
Arizona*

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September 23, 1987

First Baptist  
Church of  
Scottsdale

Mr. J. Reed Brannon  
Director of Field Service  
Boy Scouts of America


Phoenix, Arizona 85016-7715

Dear Reed:

I want to thank you for our insightful conversation on Monday, September 21 with [redacted]. You opened our understanding to the Boy Scout operation with a church, and you greatly strengthened our hand as we deal with the leadership of Troop 640. For that I am very grateful and you will find enclosed a copy of the letter I sent to the Child Protective Services. I trust you get a copy from them. . .we'll see.

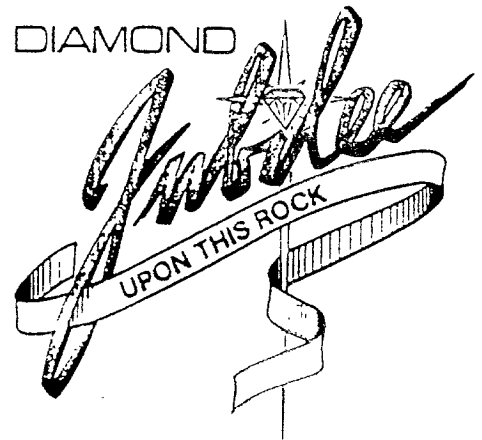
If I can be of any further assistance, please feel free to contact me at any time.

In His Grip,



Dr. Robert J. Blouwer  
Senior Pastor

RJB/rmm  
Enclosure



September 23, 1987

First Baptist  
Church of  
Scottsdale

Child Protective Services  
[redacted]  
Phoenix, Arizona 85008

Attn: Ruby

Dear Ruby:

I am aware that you must handle hundreds of child molestation cases in a month's time, so let me reintroduce myself. I called you on August 25 at 2:30 in the afternoon to report an incident of child molestation that took place on our campus on Sunday, August 23. That campus was the First Baptist Church of Scottsdale.

The purpose of my writing is to ask you to send a copy of your report back to me so that I can be a responsible Pastor with pertinent information. Is that possible?

In addition, I would like you to send a copy to the Boy Scouts of America, c/o J. Reed Brannon, [redacted] Phoenix, Arizona 85016-7715, because the person involved with the molestation is also involved with our Boy Scout troop and they need to take appropriate action as well. You can certainly appreciate the dilemma of trying to remove someone from a position of leadership on hearsay. Thus, a copy of your report would be enormously beneficial for both First Baptist Church of Scottsdale and the Boy Scouts of America.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, you can certainly reach me at the church.

In His Grip,

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DIAMOND

Dr. Robert J. Brouwer  
Senior Pastor

RJB/rmm

cc: J. Reed Brannon ✓

P.S. The victim of this most unfortunate situation is progressing well under the careful guidance of a wise therapist. Thought you would like to know.

