

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET  
REGISTRATION SERVICE  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE: 2/19/91 (duplicate)

FULL NAME ARTHUR CENTRELLA  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

S.S. NO. [REDACTED]

ADDRESS [REDACTED]

CITY W. BERLIN STATE N.J. ZIP CODE 08091

DATE OF BIRTH 10/5/71 (This is important and should be exact)

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

RELIGION \_\_\_\_\_ NATIONALITY (Citizen of) \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

EDUCATION \_\_\_\_\_

WEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_ HEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_ RACE WHITE

COLOR OF HAIR \_\_\_\_\_ COLOR OF EYES \_\_\_\_\_

ANY DISTINGUISHING PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS \_\_\_\_\_

HOBBIES OR SPECIAL INTERESTS \_\_\_\_\_

MARRIED  SINGLE  NAME OF SPOUSE \_\_\_\_\_

CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name, number, ages, if possible)

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	POSITION	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
T-155	W. BERLIN	N.J.	SA	12/13/89	3/90

Chartered Organization BERLIN TWP. ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

SPECIAL RECOGNITION \_\_\_\_\_

INCIDENT: TYPE 1 DATE OF INCIDENT 11/90 RESOLUTION UNKNOWN  
Type Resolution

- 1=Scout Related
- 2=Non-scout related
- 3=homosexual (not specifically with youth)
- 1. Internal (only Scouts Know)
- 2. Criminal action
- 3. Court action
- 4. Probationary status
- 5. Reported to state agency

Check off list of attached documentation

- 1. Description of incident
- 2. Victim(s) statement
- 3. media reports
- 4. Legal proceedings
- 5. Offender's statement
- 6. Official notification of termination
- 7. Found guilty/innocent by court

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F. STARON

Council CAHLEN COUNTY - 335 Signed \_\_\_\_\_

SCOUT EXECUTIVE

April 2, 1991

Mr. Joseph G. DeCanio  
Scout Executive  
Camden County Council, No. 335

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: ARTHUR CENTRELLA

Dear Joseph:

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

eko

cc: Charles D. Ball, Northeast Region

READY FOR FILE

APR 03 1991

ERIN O'RILEY

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## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

National Office  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
P.O. Box 152079, Irving, Texas 75015-2079  
214-580-2000

February 13, 1991

SUBJECT: INELIGIBLE FILE  
ARTHUR CENTRELLA  
JAMES MOXFORD

FROM: Debra Griffith, S402

TO: Paul Ernst, S108

On February 7, 1991 my secretary, Charlyn Lambert, received a call from S.E. Joe DeCanio with the Camden County Council #335 concerning a letter of representation which he received from an attorney for [REDACTED] and his parents, [REDACTED]. Charlyn's notes on that phone call are attached for your information. At that time Mr. DeCanio stated that he had sent the necessary letters to remove Mr. Centrella and Mr. Moxford from registration and that they had forwarded that information to National. Upon checking with Claire Miller we found that the information on Mr. Moxford and Mr. Centrella was never received by your department. Scout Executive DeCanio is resending the information he has and you should receive it shortly.

If you should have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me at extension 2145.

attachment

cc: Joe DeCanio, S.E.  
Camden County Council, BSA  
175 Richey Avenue  
West Collingwood NJ 08107-2399

*Added to IU file  
NO neg to delete  
2/27/91  
cm*

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LAW OFFICES  
PHILIP L. FACCENDA

A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION

701 WHITE HORSE PIKE

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OUR FILE NO.

1446

CERTIFIED CIVIL TRIAL ATTORNEY  
MEMBER NEW JERSEY  
& PENNSYLVANIA BAR

February 5, 1991

Boy Scouts of America - Camden County Council  
175 Richey Avenue  
Collingswood, NJ 08108RE: Our client: [REDACTED] a minor by his parents [REDACTED]  
and [REDACTED]  
Date of Incident: November 17, 1989

Dear Sirs:

Please be advised this office represents [REDACTED] in connection with a claim for damages as a result of the sexual assault and molestation to him which occurred on the above date while in the care and supervision of Troop 155 of Berlin Township.

This claim is for damages as a result of the resulting trauma and disability.

Kindly notify your insurance carrier of this claim and request that they contact the undersigned attorney for [REDACTED]. If you are without insurance coverage, we request that you have a representative contact the undersigned to discuss this matter.

Sincerely,

PHILIP L. FACCENDA, P.A.  
A Professional Corporation  
Philip L. Faccenda

PLF:bdp

2-7-91

[redacted] - victim

Joe DeCaris - SE - Cambridge City # 335  
[redacted]

about 1 1/2 yrs ago kids at camp  
hazed [redacted] by stripping him +  
spanking on bare bottom - [redacted]  
got an erection very embarrassed

Arthur Centrella - Asst SM (15 or 19) did  
the spanking - sent his name to Paul Ernst  
sent letter denying him membership

James Maxford - SM - he didn't do  
anything - saw but just one of  
those things - Council SE sent his  
name to Paul Ernst

Came out 2 months after incident  
[redacted] got into trouble at school  
told teacher called state + SE

State has not finalized invest. yet on

SE has no other info - several months ago  
received call from an investigator checking on  
(~~state~~)

■ ~ continued

2/7/91

Centullo + Moxford to see if they  
were still registered -

He received letter of representation  
from ■ lawyer -  
Attorney Phillip Facenda  
Today 2/7/91 - SE is to FAX to us -

Told SE he would call back with  
info on when to send to SIS -

2/7/91 talked to registration they have  
nothing -



**CAMDEN COUNTY COUNCIL**  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

335

175 RICHEY AVENUE WEST COLLINGSWOOD, NEW JERSEY 08107-2399

609/854-8082

March 27, 1990

Arthur Centrella

[REDACTED]  
West Berlin, New Jersey 08091

Dear Mr. Centrella:

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. A refund of your registration fee is enclosed.

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 a concern that an individual may not meet the high standards of membership which the BSA seeks to provide for American youth.

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 date of this letter, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA member should be reinstated. The procedures for a review of this decision are attached.

Sincerely yours,

Kevin Halpern  
Council President

KH/gm



CHRONOLOGICAL SEQUENCE  
Matthew Bretz - Troop 155

Received telephone call from Principal [REDACTED] regarding students discussing an alleged incident that took place while they were camping at Pine Hill Scout Reservation sometime before Christmas, 1989 as members of Troop 155, Berlin Township. [REDACTED] name was mentioned.

I called intake unit of The State of New Jersey Division of Youth & Family Services to report incident. After consultation with the Council President and Commissioner called [REDACTED] (father) to find out who was involved. Father stated he didn't know all details but would be happy to meet with Council officer to relate what he did know. He did not show up for the meeting. Called his home, no answer. The next morning I reached him at work and he stated his wife had a stomach problem the evening before and they had to go to the emergency room for treatment. He wished to reschedule as soon as his wife was better.

Received a call from Linda Higgs (investigator) Division Youth & Family Services to set up appointment to review case. At the subsequent meeting Mrs. Higgs related that while camping at Pine Hill in November new members of Troop 155 were "initiated". Said initiation consisted of stripping the subjects and paddling them on the buttocks. It was learned that said event was allegedly done by Arthur Centrella, Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 155. Scoutmaster James Moxford walked in while event was in process and told those present "to knock it off" then left the cabin.

Shared registration records with Mrs. Higgs and explained that we would deny registration with the principles based on her report.

Letter of registration denial delivered to Moxford and Centralla. Both removed from registration rolls. Troop 155 has been reorganized under new leadership.

County Prosecutors office requested copies of registration denial letters sent to Moxford and Centrella.

Received call from Russ Evans, investigator, requesting copy of termination of registration letter to Moxford.

Received letter from Attorney Phillip Faccenda, called Debra Griffiths at home office same day letter received.

To date have heard nothing further from Division of Youth & Family Services or Camden County Prosecutor Office. The State Division of Youth & Family Services sends a complete report with recommendation at the conclusion of its investigation.

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RISK MANAGEMENT

FEB 15 1991