

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE Oct. 29, 1985

FULL NAME Carlton L. Bittenbender SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____
 . (No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS _____

CITY Reston STATE Virginia ZIP CODE 22091

DATE OF BIRTH NA . (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 41 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION Not known NATIONALITY U.S. Citizen

OCCUPATION Manufacturer's Representative, American Newspaper Publication Assoc.

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MARRIED OR SINGLE divorced CHILDREN believe 2 by 1st marriage
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NAME OF SPOUSE _____

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Robert Rogers
 Signed Robert P. Ryan
 SCOUT EXECUTIVE D.F.
 Council NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA

November 25, 1985

SUBJECT: CONFIDENTIAL FILE

From: Paul Ernst, S108.

To: Dave Park, S400

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Scout Executive
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Paul Ernst, Director
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Scouts, Sponsor Debate Responsibility

Issue of Local or National Focus Arose in Va. Molestation Case

By Thomas Heath
Washington Post Staff Writer

Making local scout groups responsible for selecting leaders will not hurt the organization's ability to attract sponsors, spokesmen for the Boy Scouts said yesterday after a verdict in a Fairfax County molestation case.

"I don't think it will affect us," said Frank Hebb, director of public affairs for the national office of the Boy Scouts of America in Irving, Tex. The Parent Teacher Association, which sponsors thousands of scouts, "has been expressing concern, but the points of contention with the PTA are peculiar to the PTA," he said.

A national PTA spokeswoman disagreed, saying responsibility for selecting scout leaders should stay with the scouts.

"While the potential liabilities are the same for all chartering organizations, the national PTA believes it has an obligation to inform its members about the responsibilities in, and ramifications of, signing the current Boy Scout charter application," according to a written statement by Manya Ungar, national PTA president.

The liability factor takes on added importance in light of a jury decision Wednesday to award a Reston youth \$45,000 in damages because he was molested by his former scoutmaster. The jury was asked to award \$10 million.

The jury found that the Washington area scout council, not the national Boy Scouts, was responsible for selecting and retaining Scoutmaster Carlton L. Bittenbender, who had a history of pedophilia.

The Boy Scouts organization has national guidelines for the selection of leaders and requires an application that helps screen undesirable adults, but the rest is left to local sponsors.

The national PTA, whose local chapters sponsor 6,000 to 8,000

scout units, has expressed concern that the annual forms for chartering local troops have been rewritten to place more responsibility on local groups.

Spokesmen for other youth organizations also have said that more responsibility for leaders should be assumed at the national level.

"I find it very sad that national organizations take the position that locals should take responsibility," said Donald L. Wolff, former legal counsel and former board member of the national Big Brothers and Big Sisters of America. "The point is, the national organization is responsible at least to set up standards and minimum professional standards to which locals should be required to respond."

Paul R. Davis Jr., scout executive of the National Capital Area Council, said he does not feel the jury's decision to place liability on the Washington group will hurt its recruitment of charter organizations or encourage more lawsuits.

"I'm sure there will be a concern," Davis said. "But we do not look upon it [the verdict] as having an adverse reaction. Responsible individuals will look upon it as an incident and it will not reflect on all the good that scouting has done."

There are 48,000 scouts and 17,000 volunteers in 1,400 troops in the council, which encompasses the District, Northern Virginia and areas of Maryland north of Washington.

The PTA and the scouts are attempting to resolve their differences over where responsibility should rest for the selection of scout leaders.

In letter sent to state and local unit presidents of the PTA in November, Ungar said the changes in the rewritten charter forms "appear to shift the responsibility for screening and approving Boy Scout leaders onto the shoulders of PTA leaders. In the view of our legal advisers, this responsibility could re-

sult in increased liability to PTA units, and possibly to their leaders, should some unfortunate situation develop involving the leadership of the local scout organization."

Scout spokesman Hebb said that as far as he is concerned, the leadership guidelines are mandatory and local professional scouts should work with charter organizations to ensure the guidelines are followed.

The national organization now seeks more information concerning a volunteer's background, including references, the applicant's driver's license and personal background. The enhanced application includes questions about an applicant's criminal record and whether there is a history of child abuse.

The scouts also maintain a national confidential file system with the names of adults who could pose a threat to scouts.

\$45,000 Award to Molested Va. Youth Hailed as Victory by Scouts

By Thomas Heath
Washington Post Staff Writer

The Boy Scouts of America declared victory yesterday when a jury in a \$10 million civil trial awarded a Reston youth \$45,000 in damages because he was molested by his former scoutmaster.

After more than five days of deliberation in Fairfax Circuit Court, a seven-member jury found that the Washington area scout council, not the national organization, should pay the damages because the local coun-

cil was liable for selecting or retaining former scoutmaster Carlton L. Bittenbender.

The youth and his family had asked for \$30 million in compensatory and punitive damages, but the amount was reduced during the trial. The plaintiffs' attorney, Douglas B. Wessel, said last night that during the first week of the six-week trial the scouts offered \$1 million to settle the case but the family rejected it.

"We're very pleased with the outcome," said Frank Hebb, director of

public relations for the national office of the Boy Scouts of America. "The Boy Scouts of America and the National Capital Area Council consider the jury's verdict as a vindication of the scouts' conduct throughout this matter.

"The evidence at the trial clearly demonstrated that scouting is a local activity and that parents, neighbors and fellow members are the people best suited to select scouting membership," Hebb said in a prepared statement. "Child abuse in any form is a terrible thing, and the Boy Scouts of

America have done and will continue to do everything possible to fight this blight upon our society."

The jury determined that Bittenbender sexually molested the youth, but answered no to the question, "Did the Boy Scouts of America select and/or retain Carlton Bittenbender as a scoutmaster for Troop 1970?"

Wessel said he was disappointed with the outcome. "How this boy could have suffered \$45,000 worth of damages, I simply don't understand," he told reporters after the verdict. In an emotional voice, Wessel called his

client "a helluva guy, and I'm sorry it ended this way for him. This boy deserves better than this."

The award does not cover the youth's medical expenses thus far, which were \$53,907, according to testimony. In addition, one-third of awards in personal injury cases are normally collected by attorneys as their fee.

Wessel said he will ask Judge Richard J. Jamborsky to set aside the verdict because of "grossly inadequate" damages and to overrule the jury's conclusions. Those mo-

tions have been set for Jan. 27. If Jamborsky rules against the request, Wessel can appeal to the Virginia Supreme Court for a new trial.

The plaintiffs' main argument was that the national scouts and the Washington area council, which represents the District, Northern Virginia and areas of Maryland north of the District, failed to protect their youths from pedophiles who preyed on the scouts. The attorneys had put the 5.2 million-member national organization on

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Part of Suit Against Boy Scouts Thrown Out by Virginia Judge

Abused Youth Can't Get Punitive Damages

By Thomas Heath
Washington Post Staff Writer

A Fairfax Circuit Court judge presiding over a civil lawsuit against the Boy Scouts of America granted a defense motion yesterday to strike a \$15 million request for punitive damages against the scouts because of lack of evidence.

"I don't for the life of me find the evidence supports the punitive damages claim," Circuit Judge Richard J. Jamborsky told lawyers gathered in his chambers.

The ruling came after attorneys for the plaintiff rested their case in the fourth week of the trial. Earlier in the day, the plaintiff, a former scout from Reston who was sexually abused by his scoutmaster, took the stand and detailed his 11-month relationship with the man convicted of molesting him.

Attorneys for the youth, now 17, have accused the Boy Scouts organization of failing to identify and screen pedophiles from its ranks, and engaging in a nationwide cover-up, because of fear of publicity. The youth sued the scouts and his former scoutmaster for \$30 million, equally divided between punitive and compensatory damages.

Jamborsky's ruling on the punitive damages means that the plaintiff's attorneys did not show that the Boy Scouts were wilful, malicious or reckless in choosing a scoutmaster with a history of pedophilia, and therefore the plaintiff cannot collect money for reasons of punishment.

The judge is expected to rule this morning on a motion by attorneys for the scouts to strike the \$15 mil-

lion request for compensatory damages. If the request is not dismissed, attorneys for the scouts said they will present their side of the case, finishing today.

Before adjourning yesterday, Jamborsky again suggested that attorneys on both sides settle the case.

"I do not think in this jurisdiction [Virginia] the plaintiff has a strong case," the judge said, adding that attorneys are "playing a form of roulette" by sending the case to the jury.

The abused youth and his parents are suing former scoutmaster Carlton L. Bittenbender; the National Boy Scouts of America, based in Irving, Tex., and the National Capital Area Council of the Boy Scouts. The suit alleges that the organization was negligent in failing to protect the youth from Bittenbender, who had a history of pedophilia, including convictions for sexual assault while he was a scoutmaster in Rhode Island. Bittenbender, 44, is serving a 30-year prison sentence.

During more than two hours on the witness stand yesterday, the youth described in an unemotional voice a sexual relationship—sealed by a blood oath—conducted in several places, including on scout camping trips with the boy's father, who was asleep nearby.

The boy, whom The Washington Post is not identifying because of his age, testified that he has taken antidepressant medication for the last few years.

He described how Bittenbender at times gave him alcohol before sex

and assured him that Greek scholars had sex with their students. Bittenbender even invoked the deity, testified the youth, who was 12 when he was sexually molested.

"He told me we were both going to go to heaven. He told me that God brought us together," the youth said, adding that Bittenbender took nude photos of him and asked if he would like to have sex with a third person. "I indicated that did not interest me," the youth testified.

The scouts contend that the boy's troubled home life—an alcoholic, homosexual father who was not close to his son, and a mother who was having a relationship with Bittenbender while he was molesting her son—is the reason for his distressed mental state.

The boy's relationship with his scoutmaster began in January or February 1983 and lasted until about December of that year, when the boy told Bittenbender he did not want to continue having sex, the youth testified yesterday.

Asked why he wanted to stop the relationship, the youth said: "I was starting to feel there was something wrong . . . something wasn't right about our relationship."

A few weeks later, the boy sent his scoutmaster a Christmas card.

Why? asked his attorney.

"I still wanted him to like me. I just didn't want to have sex with him," said the youth.

Boy Scouts Win Battle in Molestation Case

Expert on Information Systems Will Not Testify for Reston Youth

By Thomas Heath
Washington Post Staff Writer

Lawyers defending the Boy Scouts of America in a civil suit involving a scoutmaster's sexual molestation of a Reston youth won a victory in Fairfax Circuit Court yesterday when the judge decided against allowing a potentially damaging witness to testify.

Circuit Judge Richard J. Jamborsky ruled that Dr. Edgar H. Sibley, an expert on computer information systems, will not be permitted to testify before the jury that will decide the case. The judge called some of Sibley's assertions inappropriate and argumentative and said they would be similar to a closing argument and a "general critique" of the Boy Scouts' method for screening adult volunteers.

Jamborsky did allow into evidence 231 confidential files kept by the national Boy Scouts organization on which Sibley based his assertions. Those files, produced in response to a subpoena, have been used to identify adults who are a threat to scouts and are checked against applications to ensure that those persons do not join scouting organizations.

In a hearing yesterday that began

the second week of the trial, Sibley portrayed the national Boy Scouts of America as an agency unable and unwilling to deal with pedophiles within its ranks. "They were somewhat reckless in the way they selected and maintained leaders," Sibley said.

He listed more than a dozen areas in which he said the scouts failed to address the problem of pedophilia and estimated that 600 young scouts may have been affected by pedophiles within the scouting movement from 1975 to 1984.

A spokesman for the scouts said later that millions of youths were involved in scouting during those years and called Sibley's figure an extrapolation.

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Sibley, who teaches at George Mason University, said he based his statements on 120 hours of examination of the confidential files.

Among his observations were that scouting officials lack understanding of the problem of pedophilia, that there is a need to identify pedophiles, that safeguards are inadequate and that scouting fails to abide by its own procedures for removing offending leaders.

Barry Bach, one of the attorneys for the Boy Scouts, argued that Sibley is an expert on computers and not an expert on Boy Scouts' files.

"This man . . . has a personal standpoint and view and would like to communicate that to the jury," Bach said.

Jamborsky agreed, and said Sibley's testimony was "all entirely inadmissible for a jury trial."

In recent years the national organization has developed a five-point program that includes increased screening of volunteers and improved education on detection and prevention of sexual abuse.

October 10, 1988

Mr. Barry Bach

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100 Light Street
Baltimore, MD 21202

Dear Barry:

This is to confirm our conversation concerning the November-December 1984 issue of Scouting magazine. You gave me the information from a label of a magazine, which was sent to Carlton Bittenbender. The label read 082/1970 BTTBN 851C 904A 092JSM. I indicated the 082 was the council number for the National Capital Area Council; the 1970 is the Troop number of which Mr. Bittenbender was Scoutmaster, as indicated by the last two letters in this label. The magazine would expire in February 1985, since the Troop expired in December 1984, and magazines always expire two months after the unit. The 851C is part of the address where Mr. Bittenbender lived at that time.

The November-December Scouting magazine labels are normally pulled around October 1, so that the magazine can be mailed and received by our subscribers around November 1.

There is no indication on the label to tell whether a label is a main list label or one of our first copies pulls. Normally, we pull four first copies after the main list for the November-December issue. These would be pulled every two weeks, which means they would be pulled October 15, November 1, November 15, and December 1.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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Mother Testifies About Faith In Scoutmaster Screening

Molested Boy's Parent Tells of Reassurances

A46 THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1988

By Thomas Heath
Washington Post Staff Writer

The mother of a boy who was sexually molested by his scoutmaster testified yesterday that before she enrolled her son in a Reston Boy Scout troop she was told by a friend who recommended the group that the organization had a "computer in Texas" through which the scouts could check for "bad apples."

"I asked if the troop had checked [the scoutmaster's] references," said the mother, whom The Washington Post is not identifying because her son is a juvenile. The mother enrolled her son, who was 12 years old at the time, after the reassurances from the friend. The friend is the mother of a scout who already was in the troop.

In testimony during the third day of the civil trial before Fairfax Circuit Judge Richard J. Jamborsky, the mother described a family that was "not real happy." She detailed events leading up to her son's admittance into the Psychiatric Institute of Washington, including an incident during which he spat in her face and tried to strangle her. The woman also described her own sexual relationship with the scoutmaster, which occurred during the same period that the scoutmaster was molesting her son.

The youth, now 17, and his parents are suing former scoutmaster Carlton L. Bittenbender, the National Boy Scouts of America, with headquarters in Irving, Tex., and the National Capital Area Council Inc. for \$30 million in damages and medical costs. Bittenbender and the youth engaged in a nine-month sexual relationship in 1984.

Attorneys for the family have said that a lack of internal safeguards in the national scouting organization allowed Bittenbender, with a history of pedophilia, to become scoutmaster of a Reston troop. The attorneys are attempting to show that Bittenbender's previous sexual convictions, including some while he was a scoutmaster in Rhode Island, should have placed him in the Boy Scouts' national "confidential filing system," which contains the names and case files of persons who may be a risk if allowed access to young scouts.

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In late 1984, several months after her son had joined the scouts, the boy's school attendance dropped off and "he went very slowly downhill," she said. He began displaying a constant "shivering" action and once grabbed his mother by the throat and threw the family dog against a wall.

During the boy's two-month stay at the Psychiatric Institute, the youth received cards from Bittenbender that the mother described in testimony as "love letters."

She recalled that one card said, "I miss the sunshine of your face," and another that said Bittenbender wanted to take the boy and a friend on a trip to Florida after he was released from the hospital.

The mother is expected to resume her testimony this morning.

Attorneys for the Boy Scouts have said that the cause of the boy's disturbed mental state rests with his own family's problems, including the father's homosexuality and alcoholism, and not from sexual molestation by the scoutmaster.

Bittenbender, who is attending the trial, is serving a 30-year term in a correctional facility in Staunton, Va., for convictions three years ago of sodomy and aggravated sexual battery against three boys, including the one who is suing him.

During testimony that was repeatedly interrupted by objections from attorneys for the Boy Scouts, the mother said it was her idea to enroll her son in the Boy Scouts because it would be beneficial for him to be in the company of male adults. The boy's father often was away from home and was not close to his son, according to the mother.

The mother said she was told by a friend about a "very dynamic scoutmaster" in Reston who was planning such outings as trips to Europe and "doing a lot of good things." After being told that the scouting movement had a method to check "bad apples," the mother enrolled her son in the program and he immediately started attending weekly meetings.

The mother went on to describe her son's close relationship with Bittenbender, noting that it angered the boy's father. The father then started drinking heavily, she said.

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September 6, 1988

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Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
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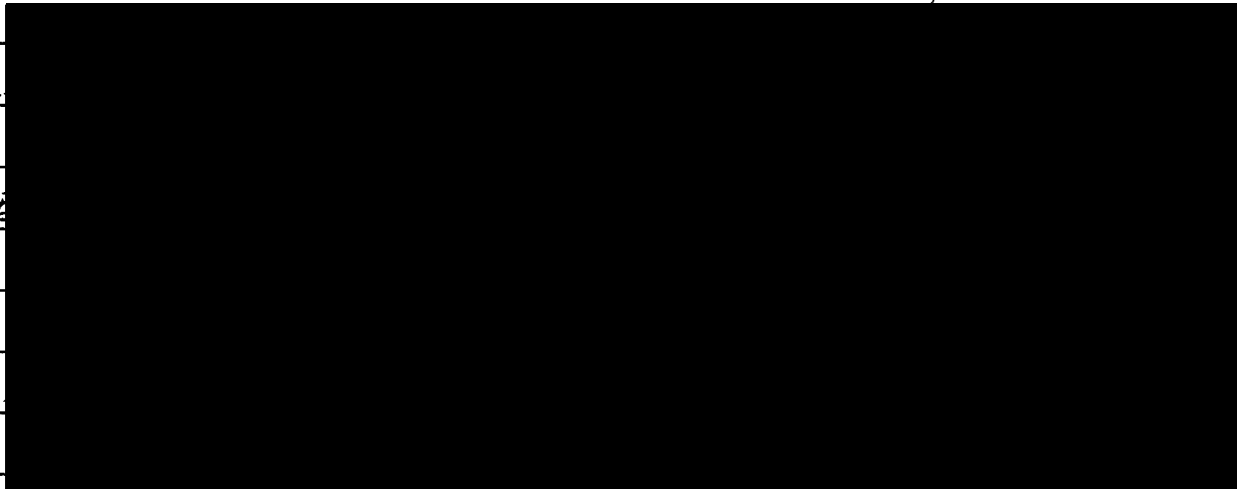
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Passenger Paul Ernst Ext. 2510 Account No. 5308-009
 Home phone [REDACTED] Date ticket delivery required 8/26/88
 Today's date 8/25/88 Approved by *Paul Ernst*

Passenger should fill in the following information:

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Secretary called 8/23 PM -

Not sure if dep. is on or
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Will call tomorrow -

Wed 8/24

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V I R G I N I A :

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR FAIRFAX COUNTY

INFANT C)
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 Plaintiff,)
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 v.)
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 BSA, et al.,)
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 Defendants.)

AT LAW NO. 80192

NOTICE OF DEPOSITION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, pursuant to agreement of counsel for BSA/NCACBSA to produce voluntarily the below-mentioned deponent within this jurisdiction at the offices of plaintiff's counsel, and pursuant to an Order of Judge Jamborsky incorporating said agreement, Plaintiff, by counsel, will take the deposition of the following person on the date and at the time and place listed below, such testimony to be used for discovery or for evidence at trial, or both, pursuant to the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia and before an officer authorized to administer oaths. The person will produce the documents identified on the attached "DOCUMENTS TO BE PRODUCED..." at the same time and place.

1. PERSON: PAUL ERNST

2. LOCATION OF DEPOSITION/PRODUCTION:

LAW OFFICES OF DOUGLAS B. WESSEL
 11718 Bowman Green Drive
 Reston, Virginia 22090

3. DATE AND TIME OF DEPOSITION/PRODUCTION:

8:30 a.m., August 29, 1988

The deposition shall commence at the stated time, or as soon thereafter as feasible, and shall continue from day to day until completed. The deposition shall last until completed; if not completed by 6:30 p.m. on a given day, it shall be continued from 6:30 p.m. to the following day to commence at 8:30 a.m.

INFANT C

By Counsel

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Reston, Virginia 22090

WILLIAM A. BARTON, ESQ.

Newport, Oregon 97365

By: *Douglas B. Wessel*
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By: *William A. Barton*
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that true copies of the foregoing Notice of Deposition and attachment(s) were on this 12th day of August, 1988: mailed to Barry Bach, Esquire, [REDACTED] Baltimore, Maryland 21202; hand-delivered to Peter D. Greenspun, Esquire, 10605 Judicial Drive, #A-5, Fairfax, Virginia 22030; hand-delivered to Mark Yeager, Esquire, 10605 Judicial Drive, #A-6, Fairfax, Virginia 22030; and mailed to Helen Leiner, Esquire, [REDACTED] Suite 414, Fairfax, Virginia 22030.

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- (1) The reason for withholding it;
- (2) The author of the document;

- (3) Each individual or other person to whom the document indicates the original or a copy has been sent;
- (4) The date of the document; and
- (5) The general subject of the document.

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10. All documents relating to the role, function, participation or involvement of Mr. David Park, Mr. Joseph Anglim, Mr. Paul Ernst, the "Review Committee" or any person relating to BSA's confidential files at any time during the years 1975 through 1984.

11. A copy of each transcript of deposition or trial testimony of Mr. Paul Ernst, Mr. David Park, Mr. Joseph Anglim, Mr. Ben Love, Mr. James Tarr, Mr. Joseph Merton, or any agent or employee of BSA relating to alleged sexual abuse of a boy scout or alleged liability of any Scouting entity for alleged sexual abuse of a boy scout.

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August 17, 1988

Mr. Paul Ernst
Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Drive
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, TX 75015-2079

RE: Infant C vs. BSA, et al
Our File NO. 08948-18262

Dear Paul:

Enclosed please find revised notice to take your deposition which we recently received. We are not certain that the deposition will be taken on August 29, 1988, as the notice says, because several depositions have been scheduled for that same time.

I would appreciate it if you could turn to page five of the notice where the plaintiff's lawyer lists certain documents that he wishes you to bring with him. I am confident that we have provided him with all of the information to which he is entitled in this case from BSA, however, I would appreciate it if you could look at the list of documents to be produced, numbering one through eleven, and give me a call to let me know if you have any of these other documents so that we can make a determination with respect to whether we will be able to produce any such documents at the deposition.

Mr. Paul Ernst
Boy Scouts of America
August 17, 1988
Page 2

I look forward to hearing from you. My direct dial
number is [REDACTED]. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Susan
Susan Martielli Carrier

SMC/jpb
via: Panafax

Enclosure

cc: Ms. Debra Duhs/BSA
Frank Lane, Esquire

V I R G I N I A :

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR FAIRFAX COUNTY

INFANT C)

Plaintiff,)

v.)

BSA, et al.,)

Defendants.)

AT LAW NO. 30192

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- TO:
1. PAUL ERNST, Director of Registration,
Subscription & Statistical Service
Boy Scouts of America
c/o Mr. Peter D. Greenspun, Esquire
Counsel for BSA
 2. All Counsel

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1. PERSON:
Paul Ernst
Director of Registration, Subscription
& Statistical Service
Boy Scouts of America

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11718 Bowman Green Drive
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3. DATE AND TIME OF DEPOSITION/PRODUCTION:

July 14, 1988, at 10:30 a.m.

The deposition shall commence at the stated time, or as soon thereafter as feasible, and shall continue from day to day until completed; the deposition is expected to require approximately five (5) days (July 14, 15, 18, 19 and 20). Testimony by Mr. Ernst shall commence at 9:00 a.m. on all days after July 14, 1988. Mr. Ernst is being produced pursuant to agreement of counsel before Judge Richard J. Jamborsky.

INFANT C

By Counsel

LAW OFFICES OF DOUGLAS B. WESSEL

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WILLIAM A. BARTON, ESQ.


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Douglas B. Wessel

DOCUMENTS TO BE PRODUCED BY PAUL ERNST,
DIRECTOR OF REGISTRATION, SUBSCRIPTION & STATISTICAL SERVICE,
OF BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Mr. Paul Ernst shall produce and shall be able to authenticate the following documents:

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- TO:
1. CUSTODIAN(S) OF THE RECORDS of BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
Irving, Texas 75062
c/o Peter D. Greenspun, Esquire
Counsel for BSA
 2. All Counsel

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[Signature]*

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RISK MANAGEMENT
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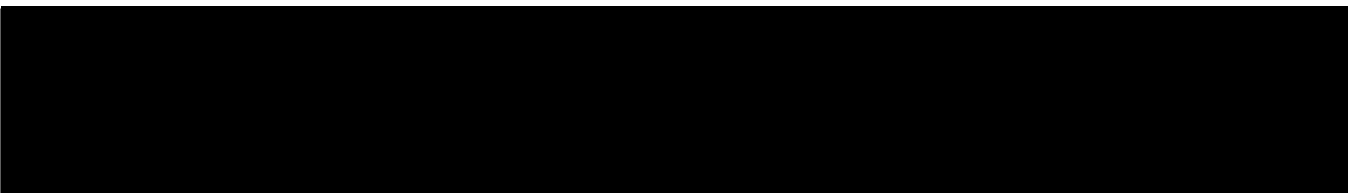
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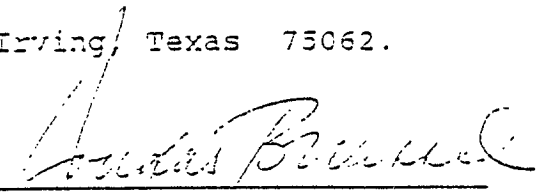
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that true copies of the foregoing Notice of Deposition and attachment(s) were on this 2nd day of July, 1988: mailed to Barry Bach, Esquire, 100 Light Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202; hand-delivered to Peter D. Greenspun, Esquire, [REDACTED] Fairfax, Virginia 22030; hand-delivered to Mark Yeager, Esquire, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Fairfax, Virginia 22030; and mailed to Custodian(s) of the Records (those records identified on the attached "DOCUMENTS TO BE PRODUCED...") of Boy Scouts of America, 1325 Walnut Hill Lane, Irving, Texas 75062.


Douglas B. Wessel

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7. "SCOUTMASTER" means Carlton L. Bittenbender.

8. "BOY SCOUTS NATIONAL COUNCIL" or "NCACBSA" means the Defendant National Capital Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, its attorneys, present and former officials, present and former executives, present and former employees, present and former agents, and all other persons presently or previously acting or purporting to act on its behalf, any parent, predecessor or successor, or affiliate thereof, any corporate predecessor or successor thereof as appropriate in the context.

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- (4) The date of the document; and
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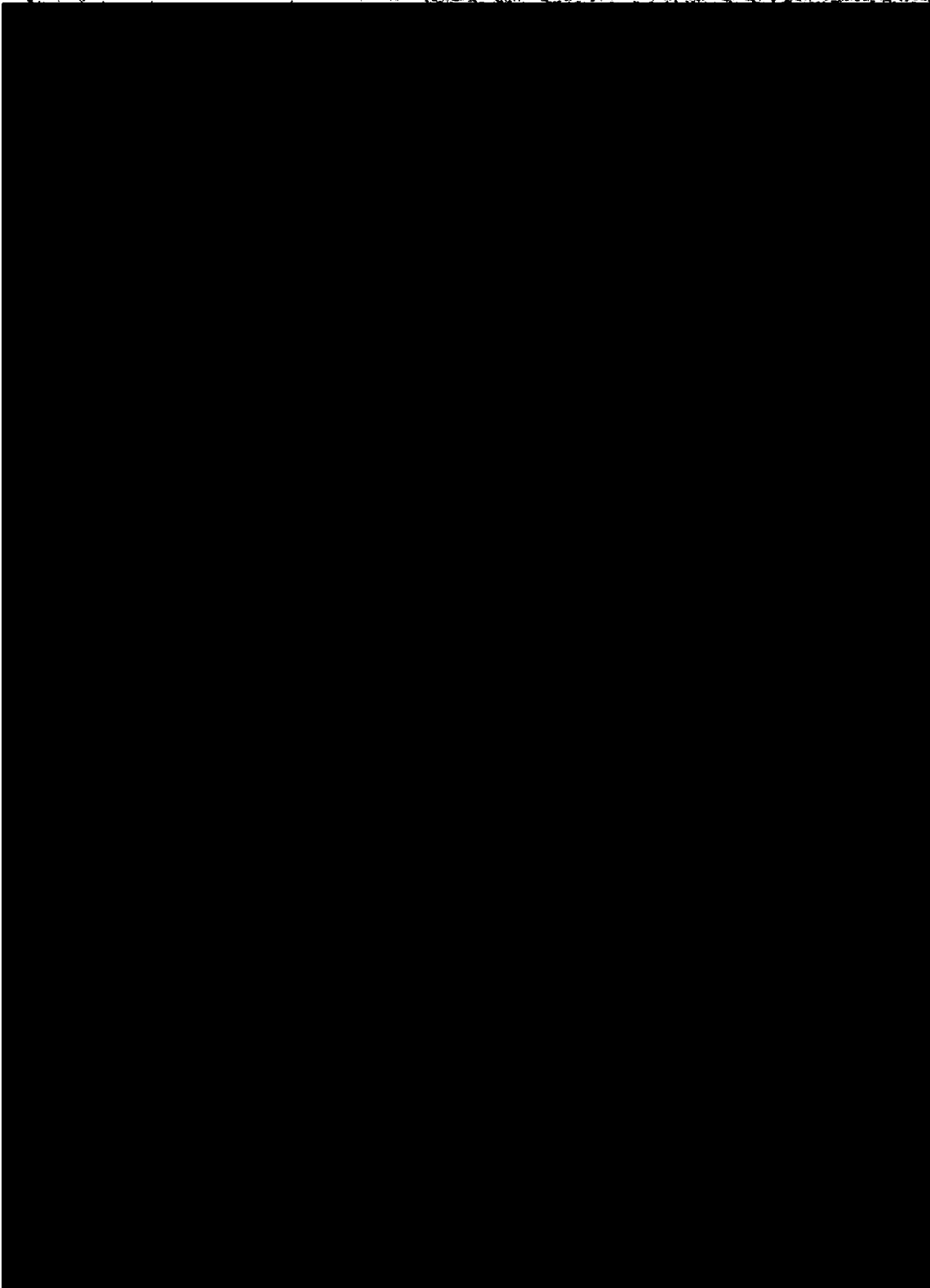
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Chief Scout Executive
Boy Scouts of America, Inc.
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
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Re: Carlton L. Bittenbender

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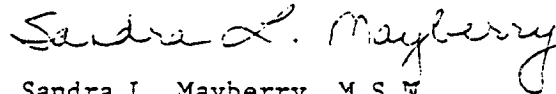
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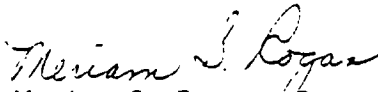
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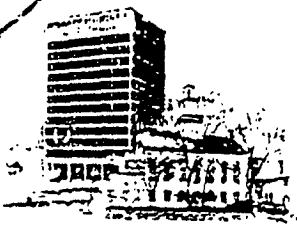


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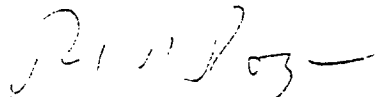
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Mr. Paul Ernst:

Due to the evident attached, the National Capital Area Council, Boy Scouts of America recommends that Carlton L. Bittenbender is not to be permitted to continue his registration forever again with the Boy Scouts of America.

I have, personally, removed his name from our own registration file. Please note the date of his guilty plead was October 25, 1985.

Sincerely,


Richard N. Rogers
Director of Field Service

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Attachment



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Ex-Scout Leader Pleads Guilty to Sex Charges

By Patricia Davis
Washington Post Staff Writer

A former Boy Scout leader pleaded guilty in Fairfax County Circuit Court yesterday to five counts of sodomy and aggravated sexual battery involving three members of his Reston troop.

Carlton L. Bittenbender, 41, formerly employed by the American Newspaper Publishers Association, said in a clear voice that he was guilty on each of the five felony counts. He faces a maximum sentence of life in prison plus 80 years, prosecutors said.

Judge J. Howe Brown Jr. set sentencing for Jan. 10, after Bittenbender has undergone evaluation and treatment at a special sexual-disorder clinic at Johns Hopkins Hospital at his own expense.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Melinda S. Norton, who prosecuted the case, said she was pleased with the pleas. "I prefer to save the children from having to testify," she said.

Defense attorney Gregory D. Haight said that his client, who was convicted in Rhode Island on similar charges about four years ago, was in need of help because of "his disease." He described Bittenbender as a pedophile, an individual whose sexual preference is children.

"These kinds of people are generally upstanding citizens," Haight said. "If you could take away this problem, you would find a marvelous human being."

Bittenbender was placed on probation about four years ago in Barrington, R.I., where he was a scout leader, the lawyer said. Bittenbender had pleaded no contest to the charges there and was ordered to get psychiatric help, Haight said.

While it could not be learned yesterday if he remains under probation in Rhode Island, Haight said Bittenbender had received psychiatric help since his initial conviction.

Haight said the Johns Hopkins program, which uses the controversial drug Depo-Provera to change hormonal balance and lower sex drive, has had "remarkable success."

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Former Scoutmaster Faces 3 More Counts of Sex Abuse

Reston Man Held on \$125,000 Bond

By Patricia Davis
Washington Post Staff Writer

A former Reston Boy Scout leader, being held on charges of aggravated sexual assault and sodomy, was charged yesterday with three additional counts of sex abuse to juveniles under the age of 13, Fairfax County police said.

Carlton L. Bittenbender, 41, of 11917 Winterthur La. in Reston has been held at the county detention center since his Aug. 22 arrest. His bond, including that for the latest charges, totals \$125,000.

Police spokesman Warren R. Carmichael said authorities had identified two more alleged victims since Bittenbender was taken into custody last month.

Bittenbender, formerly a manufacturers' representative, was unemployed at the time of his arrest, Carmichael said. The spokesman

said the charges brought yesterday were based on events that allegedly occurred on Jan. 27, Feb. 4 and Feb. 25.

Bittenbender was a leader of Boy Scout Troop 1970, sponsored by the United Christian Parish in Reston, for about 1½ years, according to the Rev. Douglas Ibach.

"He was a scoutmaster with our troop until last spring when he resigned," Ibach said. Ibach said he learned of the initial charges against Bittenbender from news accounts.

A search warrant for pedophilic material was executed at Bittenbender's apartment prior to his arrest but none was found, according to police.

Police said yesterday that the investigation is continuing. Bittenbender was arrested on similar charges in Rhode Island, according to a corrections official there.

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RESTON, VIRGINIA 22091

7 September 1985

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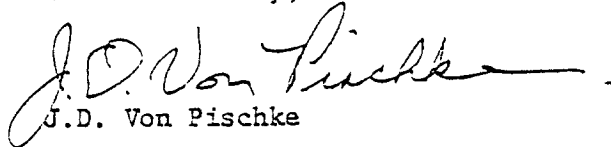
Dear Mr Rogers:

Enclosed are several copies of the letter to parents of Troop 1970 Scouts. Please share them with Bob Mercereau and Pete Gibeau. You are all invited to the parents meeting listed in the final paragraph. It will be held at the United Christian Parish Church on [REDACTED], at 7:30pm.

I very much appreciated your showing a draft of this letter to a lawyer who is retained by the Council. The draft is substantially identical to the first three paragraphs of my letter. The final paragraph responds to concerns expressed and initiatives undertaken by several Troop 1970 parents.

We look forward to Council representation at the parents meeting. Mr Machado, our District Commissioner, also plans to come.

Yours sincerely,


J.D. Von Pischke

cc: Mr Rob Wesson, Committee Chairman

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Reston, VA 22091
5 September 1985

Dear Troop 1970 Parents:

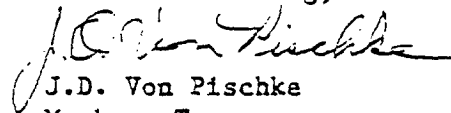
In the absence of the Committee Chairman I am writing to you about the situation that has arisen concerning our former Scoutmaster, Carl Bittenbender. As indicated in the local press, Carl has been arrested by Fairfax County authorities on charges of sexual assault and sodomy, and is presently in jail.

Mr Dan Gollhart of the Child Service Unit of the Criminal Investigation Division is working on the case for the County. He has already interviewed some Troop 1970 families in the course of his investigation.

Any Scouts involved in incidents such as those that led to Carl's arrest are obviously victims. It has come to my attention that children who are sexually molested often feel a sense of guilt, which is of course unwarranted and unnecessary and which may be a source of concern to them in the future. Parents who have not already done so may wish to consider discussing this matter with their son or sons in a neutral or reassuring manner to discover and deal with any anxieties of this type that may exist.

Detective Gollhart has been invited to the September 19 parents meeting to make a presentation on sexual abuse of children, highlighting the behavior patterns of children who are victims. His presentation is designed to assist parents in identifying cases of this type, and to recommend parental responses that could benefit the children concerned and also the community.

Yours in Scouting,


J.D. Von Fischke
Member, Troop
Committee

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 1985

The Reston Times

Reston Man Charged In Sexual Assault of Boy

By Thomas Gooding

A Reston man has been accused of sexually molesting a 13-year-old boy and possessing sexually explicit materials involving juveniles, according to Fairfax County police.

Police charged Carlton L. Bittenbender, 41, with aggravated sexual battery and solicitation of a minor in a Fairfax County jail in lieu of two separate \$25,000 bonds.

Bittenbender, of 11917 Win Arthur Lane, was arrested Aug. 22, a month after the boy involved told police about the alleged charges involving other victims.

Police are releasing further information about the alleged incidents because it is a "risky situation," said police spokesman Officer Gene Cautran. He said the boy lives in Reston, but would not

comment on the nature of his relationship with Bittenbender. A search warrant was executed Aug. 22 for polyphobic materials in Bittenbender's apartment, but police found none.

According to an affidavit filed in support of the warrant, the youth told a police investigator that Bittenbender had on numerous occasions between January 1984 and November 1984, fondled (the youth's) private parts. It is further related that during this time period, Carlton L. Bittenbender also engaged in oral sex (sodomy) with (the youth).

In this case, the Times is not publishing the name of the victim due to his age and the circumstances involved. The affidavit also alleges that Bittenbender took several Polaroid photographs of (the youth) without clothes on. The photographs were seen by (the youth) five years old.

The arrest comes a week after an Abbie, Va. man was arrested and charged with the rape of a 12-year-old girl near Hunters Woods Shopping Center. And on Aug. 4, a Herndon man was charged with eight felony counts involving the sexual abuse of three children under

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Reston Man, 41, Held On Sex Charges

Fairfax County police arrested a 41-year-old Reston man last Thursday afternoon on charges of aggravated sexual battery and sodomy.

Police said an investigation of a 13-year-old boy led them to press charges against Carlton L. Bittenbender, 41, of 11917 Winchester Lane. According to police, the incidents occurred in 1984.

Bittenbender was taken to Fairfax Adult Detention Center where he is being held on \$25,000 bond.

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- 1400 Block - Grand Larceny, pocket camera, four books, television, handbag, stereo and clock stolen from home
- Valencia Way, Reston, 1900 Block - Burglary, two handbags and jewelry box stolen from home
- Bonneton Lane, Reston, 1800 Block - Burglary, stereo system stolen from home
- Bonneton Lane, Reston, 1800 Block - Grand Larceny, Radio, two speakers, jack and tool box stolen from home
- Scandia Circle, Reston, 1800 Block - Burglary, video cassette recorder, typewriter and stereo component stolen from home
- Shirley Way, Dixie, Reston, 11800 Block - Burglary, Camera, two gold bracelets, pearl earrings stolen from hotel room
- Hunting Horn Lane, Reston, 11000 Block - Grand Larceny, Watch, and assorted jewelry stolen from residence
- Gilade Drive, Reston, 12000 Block - Burglary, video cassette recorder stolen from home
- John Milton Drive, Fox Mill Estates, 2600 Block - Burglary, Bicycle taken from garage
- Lawsy's Road, Manassas, 12000 Block - Burglary, two dress and wheelchair stolen from a home

Abuse suspect was scout leader

Arrested man has prior history of sex charges

By LINDA LANTOR
Journal staff writer

A former Reston Boy Scout troop leader was charged by Fairfax County police last week with sexually molesting a 13-year-old boy.

The man, Carlton L. Bittenbender, 41, pleaded no contest in Rhode Island in 1981 to four counts of second degree sexual assault involving young boys, according to a clerk in the criminal division of the Providence, R.I., County Superior Court. Bittenbender is on parole from the Rhode Island charges.

Bittenbender, whose Reston address is 11917 Winterthur Lane, was charged last Thursday with aggravated sexual battery and sodomy and is being held in Fairfax County jail in lieu of \$25,000 bond on each count, police said.

A request for bond reduction was denied Monday at a hearing in juvenile court, said a juvenile court official. Bittenbender's attorney could not be located.

Fairfax County police spokesman Warren R. Carmichael refused to say whether the victim Bittenbender is suspected of assaulting a member of the Reston scout troop. Carmichael said that "several" other juveniles are believed to have been involved with Bittenbender and that the investigation is continuing.

Bittenbender is a field representative, possibly for a publishing company, said Carmichael. It is not known when he moved here.

In November 1981, Bittenbender, who then lived in the upper middle class Providence suburb of Barrington, pleaded no contest to the charges and was sentenced to five years in prison on each count with all

time suspended, said the Providence court clerk.

Bittenbender received five years probation on each count to run concurrently, said the clerk. Other conditions of probation were that Bittenbender receive psychiatric treatment during the time of probation and that he have no contact with any of his victims, she said.

Joe Dubee, a spokesman for the Bethesda, Md.-based Boy Scouts of America council that governs the approximately 1,500 clubs in the Washington area, said Bittenbender will not be allowed to be a boy scout master again.

Scout leaders are selected by a local group, such as a fire department, church or parent-teacher association, which sponsors the club, said Dubee.

The United Christian Parish in Reston is listed as the sponsor of scout unit 1970. Bittenbender led the troop for "not more than about a year" before he resigned, said council spokesman Richard Rogers. No one at the church could be reached for comment.

Rogers said Bittenbender resigned as scout master three months ago because "he and the committee agreed he would no longer be scout master." He said he did not know why they reached that agreement.

Whether sponsoring groups can legally check to see if volunteers have criminal backgrounds is "by no means clear," said Fairfax Commonwealth Attorney Robert F. Horan Jr.

While Virginia law provides for school systems to run checks on teachers and some other occupations, it does not specifically address the question of club leaders, said Horan.

Horan said that he believes the law should allow for criminal background checks "for anybody who works with kids."

Staff writer Dan Beyers also contributed to this story.

Paul Bittenbender - T 3 Barrington

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TROOP #3 BARRINGTON

December 10, 1980

Dear Parents:

Troop #3 Barrington is alive and well. The troop will remain in full operation.

Chuck McGonagle has been appointed Senior Assistant Scoutmaster, by the troop committee and it will be business as usual, at the same old store.

The Narragansett Council is very proud of Troop #3 and commends the boys, parents and troop committee for their support now and in the future.

All parents are urged to contact the troop committee with any and all questions regarding troop activities.

Thanking you for your co-operation and wishing you and yours Happy Holidays.

Very truly yours,

The Troop Committee

Scoutmaster faces morals counts

WARREN — A Barrington scoutmaster of Troop 3 was released on bail after arraignment yesterday in District Court. Warren, on six charges of sexual assault on three Boy Scouts in his troop, police said. Carlton Bittenbender, 36, of 65 Boyce Ave., appeared before Judge Vincent A. Ragosta, who continued the felony charges to Feb. 28 in Superior Court. Ragosta released Bittenbender on \$5,000 personal recognizance on each of the charges.

Barrington police said they received complaints from the parents of a 12-year-old boy and two 13-year-old boys last week on incidents that allegedly occurred between March 3 and Oct. 27.

Barrington

Of the six offenses, four involved a 12-year-old boy, police said.

Bittenbender resigned yesterday as scoutmaster, according to Vincent N. Borrelli, scout executive for the Narragansett Council, Boy Scouts of America. He said Bittenbender, who became scoutmaster of Troop 3 in May, 1977, did not state a reason for resigning.

The troop committee and sponsoring organization will select a replacement. Sponsor of Troop 3 is the Sowams Elementary School PTA.

Section
The Evening Bulletin
Tuesday, December 9, 1980

November 17 (on or about) -

Received call from Carl Bittenbender describing various incidents which had subjected him to troop committee investigations. They were:

1. Rubbing back of Scout to calm him down while at Camp Yawgoog. Was done in same bunk in tent or adirondack.
2. Rubbing back of another Scout to calm him down. Family problems involved.

Carl contends this was all done in innocence to help the boys. Parents of boys involved contend he was sexually abusing.

Troop committee (after tedious investigation) found Carl to be innocent of "sexual abuse" allegations. However, he was also reprimanded for "overstepping" his bounds as a SM. He should not have touched the boys in a back rubbing fashion. Verbal assistance would have been better.

Carl also indicated there were rumors floating at [REDACTED]. Kids calling Carl gay, fag, etc.

November 25 (on or about) -

Received call from Rob Leveille, Principal of Barrington Middle School. Concerned about Carl Bittenbender. Rob has received various complaints from boys and parents regarding alleged homosexual activity by Bittenbender. Rob requested that we (the Council) do something! I explained that we could not remove Carl without written statements from individuals. However, I promised to contact T3 Committee Chairman, Bill Mann immediately. (He was out of town until Monday, December 8.)

December 4 -

Ran into Carl during meeting at Roger Williams College. He insisted that he was innocent and that counter suits would be filed against plaintiffs if charges were pressed.

December 8 -

Carl Bittenbender arrested on 6 counts of second degree sexual assault.

Met with Rob Leveille. He is vehemently in favor of prosecution for Carl. Rob feels that Bittenbender is a threat to the community and is dangerous. Rob claims that there is no deference in types of sexual abuse--could even be mental; therefore, Carl is a threat.

Met with troop committee. They described various incidents--back rubbing, etc., which they felt was not abusive. They also mentioned that Carl was attempting to help in various family problems and that nothing malicious was intended.
NET RESULT: Committee is 100% in defense of Carl Bittenbender.

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Committee also described to me that Bittenbender was raised in a troubled situation--alcoholic parents. Hence, grandmother was an important figure in his life. She would use "back rubbing" frequently, as a method to soothe Carl in troubled times. Growing up with that apparently has remained as a technique that Carl has employed with Scouts. (NOTE: Committee felt that Carl should never have done this, regardless!)

December 12 -

Telephone conversation with Carl Bittenbender thanking me for support of T3 on Tuesday night (December 9). (At that time, I indicated my, the district's and the council's support in keeping Troop 3 viable and active.)

Carl still maintains his intent was not to "sexually assault" anyone. He was only attempting to help boys in a troubled situation.

He mentioned his long time (14 years) involvement in Scouting and that he has never had any record of homosexual activity.