

CAPASSO, CONRAD T. JR. '80

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CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE

Appendix A

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE 5/10/77

FULL NAME BERNARD T. SPANCO JR.
(No initials if you can possibly give full name)

ADDRESS Box 142 [REDACTED]

CITY HAVERHILL STATE MASS ZIP CODE 01730

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

APPROXIMATE AGE 29 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION CATHOLIC NATIONALITY ITALIAN

OCCUPATION SKN DIVER MARINE BIOLOGIST DEPT OF DEFENSE U.S. NATIONAL GUARD

EDUCATION UNKNOWN BUT AT LEAST SOME COLLEGE

WEIGHT 140 HEIGHT 5' 5" RACE WHITE

COLOR OF HAIR BROWN COLOR OF EYES BLUE

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS SKN DIVING

MARRIED OR SINGLE SINGLE CHILDREN _____

WIFE'S NAME _____

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	OFFICE	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
127	HAVERHILL	MA	SA	11/76	5/23/77

SPECIAL RECOGNITION _____

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

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

Signed [Signature]
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council 127

March 23, 1982

Mr. Jim Case
Scout Executive
Otetiana Council, No. 397

PERSONAL CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Jim:

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We received a call to our office on March 19 indicating that Troop 98 should be returned to your office. A credit is attached for the complete fees which were sent to us. The charter application is also enclosed.

There was a question concerning the unit leader and we had refused registration based on a case in our file. If you have need of more information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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Enclosure

cc: Ben H. Love,
Northeast Region

READY FOR FILE
MAR 23 1982
DAWN HARDELL

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COUNCIL # 397 235-2-1532

CALLER

UNIT # DIST.# EXP. DATE TRANSMITTAL # FILM #

98 1004

DROP UNIT
ISSUE CREDIT
RETURN PAPERS

PROBLEM(s) REGISTRATION _____ BOYS' LIFE _____

unit deleted - credit attached

NAME P. Smith
DATE 3-19-87

ADULT APPLICATION

PACK NO. _____
 TROOP NO. 93
 POST NO. _____
 SHIP NO. _____

COUNCIL/DISTRICT POSITION _____
 DISTRICT NO. _____

FULLY TRAINED

PLEASE PRINT ONE LETTER IN EACH SPACE—PRESS HARD, YOU ARE MAKING THREE COPIES.

NAME: C T CAPASSO DCS DMB DATE OF BIRTH: 09 09 50 POSITION: SM
 PRINT FIRST NAME FIRST—LEAVE A SPACE BETWEEN FIRST NAME, INITIAL, AND LAST NAME MO. DAY YR. UNIT CODE

ADDRESS STREET OR R.F.D.: 110 DANIEL DR #5 BOYS' LIFE: _____ CHECK ONE: NEW LEADER FORMER LEADER
 COLLEGE SCOUTER: RESERVE (USE YOUR MAILING ADDRESS AT COLLEGE)

CITY: WEBSTER STATE: NY ZIP CODE: 14580 SEX: M AGE: 31

HOME PHONE: 972-0324 DATE: 1/2/81 Committee Number: _____ PREVIOUS SCOUTING BACKGROUND: OK Home COUNCIL: _____
 OCCUPATION EMPLOYER AND BUSINESS ADDRESS: U.S. Government SIGNATURE—SEE COVER: [Signature]

REGISTRATION FEE: _____ STAFF FEE: _____ TERM MONTHS: 12 UNIT EXPIRATION DATE: 10 82 APPROVAL—SEE COVER: [Signature]

I agree to the terms and conditions of the Scout Oath and Law, and to the rules and regulations of the BSA, and to the policies of the Council. I understand that my membership is for a one-year term, and that I may be renewed for a second year if I am approved by the Council.

FOR COUNCIL USE

NATIONAL COPY

November 30, 1981

Mr. James O Case
Scout Executive
Otetiana Council, No. 397

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Conrad T. Capasso, Jr.

Dear Jim:

We recently received an adult application for an individual by the name of C. T. Capasso who is registering as Scoutmaster in Troop 98.

This individual is the same individual who is presently listed on our confidential file and for whom we would not accept registration. We are enclosing a Credit Notice for the registration fee which has been paid.

Please inform Mr. Capasso that he may not be associated with the Boy Scouts of America at the present time. The information which we have in our files would prohibit his affiliation.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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Enclosure

cc: Northeast Region

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Attachment*

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DYKES_I_007171

November 17, 1981

Mr. James O. Case
Scout Executive
Otetiana Council, No. 397

SUBJECT: Conrad T. Capasso, Jr.

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Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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Enclosure

cc: Northeast Region

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sent 1/14*

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Confidential*

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May 27, 1977

Dear Thom,

I regretfully accept your resignation as a Unit
Commissioner.



Dick Felland
District Commissioner

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DYKES_I_007173

TO: Mr. Richard Pelland
FROM: Conrad T. Capasso
SUBJECT: Self-termination as Unit Commissioner
DATE: 23 May 1977

This is to inform you that effective immediately, I am terminating my position as unit commissioner for troop 27 due to internal troop problems.

Also, I do not have the time to function completely in this capacity.


CONRAD T. CAPASSO JR

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DYKES_I_007174

June 17, 1980

Mr. William J. Moran
Council Executive
Lone Tree Council No. 749

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Conrad T. Capasso, Jr. Troop 27

Dear Bill:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We are reviewing the information with our Attorney and will let you know if any additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration & Subscription Service

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DYKES_I_007175

Troop 27
St. Joseph's Church
Haverhill, Mass. 01330
Dec. 13, 1978

Boy Scouts of America
National Office
North Brunswick, N. J. 08902

Dear Boy Scouts of America:

Conrad (Tom) Capasso was an Assistant Scoutmaster, Troop 27, St. Joseph's Church in Haverhill, Mass. from approximately October 1976 to June 1977.

During this period of time he was living in a two-family home at [REDACTED] in Haverhill, Mass. The other apartment was occupied by Richard E. [REDACTED] Pelland, Jr. along with [REDACTED]. Richard Jr. was the Troop Committee Chairman for Troop 27. He was also District Commissioner for Whittier District. [REDACTED] was Secretary for Troop 27 and [REDACTED] was the Senior Patrol Leader.

Some time around February 1977, the Committee became aware of a potential problem in the Troop. Tom was accused by adult members of a Cub Scout Pack of being "Gay" and having affairs with boys in Troop 27. Members of the Committee each spoke to their own children separately and certain facts emerged. Some boys in the Troop were having problems with Tom. Even the boys that were not having problems were aware of the problems that the others were having.

Tom use to have boys in the Troop stay overnight at his house. [REDACTED] Pelland [REDACTED] was aware of this because they lived in the same house. According to the boys, indecent exposure and fondling was common. At a week-end camporee Tom was accused by a boy member of the Troop of performing an unnatural act on that boy member. Tom is alleged to have threatened all the boy members of the Troop that he was involved with. They were afraid to bring their problems out in the open.

Richard E. Pelland, Jr. as Troop Committee Chairman, advised Tom of the accusations and invited him to speak to the Committee and if unfounded, promised him the support of the Committee. Tom was also told not to show up at any troop meeting. He was asked not to speak to or have any dealing with any boy member of the Troop until the problem had been totally resolved.

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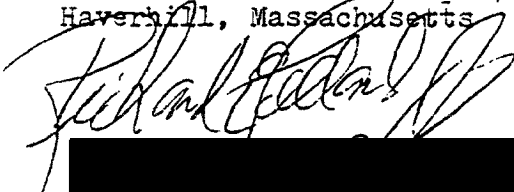
Tom refused a meeting with the Troop Committee. He resigned from the Troop and moved out of Haverhill in about one month.

The Troop continued to meet on this problem. It was decided by the Troop Committee, with the support of the parents of the boys that were involved, and the Pastor of the Church that no legal action take place.

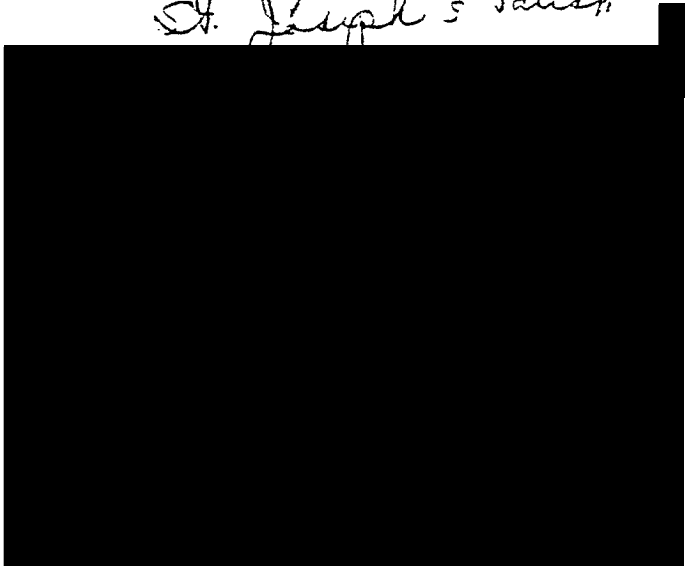
Lone Tree Council was advised of the problem from the beginning but was asked to stay out because the Committee felt it was their problem. The Committee did ask and continues to ask the Lone Tree Council and the Boy Scouts of America to be aware of these facts.

TROOP COMMITTEE - Troop 27
Haverhill, Massachusetts

cc: Lone Tree Council
Committee Chairman,
Troop 27



*Sentinel Coordinator
St. Joseph's Parish*



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DYKES_I_007177

Boy Scouts of America

36 Amesbury Road
Route 110 at Kenoza Lake



Haverhill, Mass. 01830
Tel. (617) 372-0591

June 9, 1980

Mr. Paul Ernst
Registration Service
Boy Scouts of America
P. O. Box 61030
Dallas/Ft. Worth Texas 75261

Dear Paul:

Enclosed please find letters of correspondence reference
Conrad T. Capasso, Jr.

I have been holding this in the council file and
believe it would be better in the National file.

If I can help any further on this matter, please let
me know.

Sincerely,

William J. Moran
Council Executive

WJM:gm
Enc.

SERVING BOYHOOD IN NORTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS AND SOUTHEASTERN NEW HAMPSHIRE
AN AGENCY OF THE MERRIMACK VALLEY UNITED FUND,
AND HAMPSTEAD UNITED FUND

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DYKES_I_007178

May 27, 1977

Dear Mr. Capasso:

We, the committee of Troop 27, accept your resignation
as Assistant Scoutmaster.



Richard E. Pelland, Jr.
Chairman, Troop Committee
Troop 27

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DYKES_I_007179

TO: Mr. Pelland
FROM: Conrad T Capasso
SUBJECT: Self-termination as Assistant Scoutmaster
DATE: 23 May 1977

This is to inform you as committee chairman of troop 27 that effective this date, I am terminating myself as an assistant scoutmaster of troop 27.

The allegations which have been brought upon me are denied by myself. Further information concerning these allegations can not be stated because I myself do not know what these allegations are.

In addition to the allegations, my decision to resign is based upon a feeling of being rifted due to the following--

the troop not going on a mountain or canoe trip but instead to summer camp

oral objections to the way merit badges and advancement is being taught and earned

objections to current charter registration procedures within the troop.


CONRAD T CAPASSO JR

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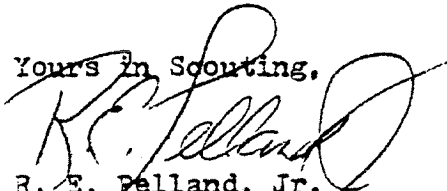
May 27, 1977

Dear Mr. Jarman,

We, the Committee for Troop 27, regretfully accept your resignation as a committee member. We expect that any further investigation that you may wish to conduct in the Conrad T. Capasso matter be done as an individual and not as a committee member or in any other way as a representative of Troop 27.

Please be advised that as of May 23, 1977 Mr. Conrad T. Capasso tendered his resignation as both Assistant Scoutmaster and Unit Commissioner of Troop 27.

Yours in Scouting,



R. E. Pelland, Jr.
Chairman Troop Committee
Troop 27

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MAY 25, 1977

TROOP #27 CHAIRMAN
AND TROOP COMMITTEE

GENTLEMEN;

IT IS MY REGRET TO INFORM YOU AT THIS TIME I MUST RESIGN FROM MY POSITION ON THE TROOP COMMITTEE. AT THIS TIME I MUST ACT WITH MY OWN CONSCIOUS AND BE A FATHER TO MY SON AND NOT A SCOUTER. I FEEL THAT BECAUSE OF WHAT HAS SURFACED IN THE PAST WEEK, I COULD NOT BE OBJECTIVE AND IMPARTIAL AS A MEMBER OF TROOP 27. AND THEIR INVESTIGATION OF THE PROBLEM'S.

ON MAY 20 1977 A PARENT OF ONE OF TROOP 27 FORMER SCOUT'S MADE SEVERAL STATEMENTS. TROOP 27 IS A GAY TROOP TROOP 27 HAS A FAGGOT FOR A SSI, SCOUTMASTER OLDER BOY'S ARE BULLIES AND PUSH THE YOUNGER ONES AROUND AGAINST THERE WILL. YOUR SON CANNOT BE A MAN UNLESS HE WILL SUBMIT TO BEING UNDRESSED AND WHILE SPREAD EAGLE ACROSS A PICNIC TABLE BE TORMENTED AND MARKED ABOUT THE PRIVATES. THIS IS ONLY PART OF THE UGLY THINGS THAT ARE BEING SAID OF OUR TROOP. AFTER TALKING TO THE EXEC RICK BASSET AND DICK PELLAND I MADE SEVERAL PHONE CALL'S. I WAS DISGUSTED WITH PARENT'S OPINION AND THOUGHTS OF OUR TROOP. AND LEADER'S. MY SON BEING A PORTION OF THE LEADERSHIP IN THAT TROOP I DECIDED TO FIND OUT WHAT HE KNEW. HE NOT ONLY VERIFIED SEVERAL OF THE RUMOR'S BUT REVEALED TO HIS

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MOTHER AND MYSELF A SORDID STORY OF WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING TO HIM. HE QUIT THE TROOP SEVERAL WEEKS AGO, BUT REALLY NEVER EXPLAIN WHY. WITH MY POSITION AND MY TEMPER HE LIVED IN FEAR OF TELLING ME OR ANYONE OF HIS EXPERIENCE.

AS FATHER AND PERMISSION OF HIS MOTHER WE INFORM YOU THAT YOUR A.S TOM CAPASSO TROOP #27 HAS ACTED AND DID COMMIT IMMORAL ACT'S UPON OUR SON AND TRIED TO GET HIM TO DO THE SAME. THE SORDID STORY BEHIND THIS WAS IN THE GUISE OF MERIT BADGE MEETINGS AND SUCH, AT HIS RESIDENCE WHERE HE INVITED BOY'S TO STAY OVERNIGHT. THE TORMENT THAT I BEAR FOR HIS MOTHER AND SISTER'S WHO REALLY CAN'T COMPREHEND HOW AND WHY. WHAT IS REALLY GOING ON IN THE MIND OF MY SON BRING'S ME TO A STATE OF ANGER THAT I CAN'T CONTROL AT TIMES.

I FEEL THAT IF YOU CONTACT BOY'S THAT HAVE LEFT IN THE LAST EIGHT MONTH'S AND BOY'S WHO HAVE LEFT WE BELDS BUT DID NOT JOIN TROOP #27 AND MOST OF ALL THEIR PARENTS, YOU WILL SOON SEE A LOUSY IMAGE THAT HAS BEEN LEFT WITH ST JOSEPH SCOUTING. I HAVE CONTACTED A LAWYER AND POLICE FOR ASSISTENCE IN BEHAL MY SON. MY MIND IS UNCLEAR AT THIS TIME HOW FAR I WILL BRING THIS TO LIGHT. I DO FEEL THAT YOUR MEETING AS COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL HELP CORRECT THE SMALLER PROBLEMS.

AS FOR MR CAPASSO HE SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO STAY IN SCOUTING.

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THIS TYPE OF PERSON NEEDS MEDICAL HELP AND THE LAW PROTECTS THEIR RIGHT TO DO WHATEVER THE GIG IS. BUT ON A YOUNG MAN WHO IS A MINOR AND CANNOT FEND OFF WHAT REALLY IS BEING TAUGHT TO HIM BY ADULT LEADER'S IS MORE THAN I CAN TAKE.

MY SON HIS MOTHER AND MYSELF WILL TESTIFY IN FRONT OF YOUR COMMITTEE OF COURSE IN PRESENCE OF OUR LAWYER. THE OUT COME OF ANY OF YOUR MEETING'S WILL BE OF INTEREST TO ME AND I WILL BE WAITING FOR A WRITTEN REPLY.

RESPECTIVELY

SUBMITTED

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