

# APPENDIX B

## CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET

REGISTRATION SERVICE  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Date 6/7/90

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Full name HARRY <sup>F</sup>BELL JR.  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City ZANESVILLE State OHIO ZIP 43701

Date of birth 1/25 (This is important and should be exact.)

Approximate age \_\_\_\_\_ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known.)

Religion \_\_\_\_\_ Nationality \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation LABORER

Education \_\_\_\_\_

Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_ Race Cauc

Color of hair BROWN Color of eyes \_\_\_\_\_

Outstanding characteristics or interests \_\_\_\_\_

Married or single MARRIED Children 2  
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_

### Scouting connections:

Unit No.	City	State	Position	Date registered	Date resigned
118	Z'ville	OH.	SM		6/7/90

Special recognition \_\_\_\_\_

Suspended or denied registration for following reasons \_\_\_\_\_

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

Signed Timothy A. Mauer  
Scout Executive

Council 467

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June 21, 1991

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Timothy J. Manard, SE

Zanesville, OH 43702-2036

Dear Tim:

I read with real interest your letter from Harry Bell. I gather this was sent to a volunteer in your council who has shared it with you.

Tim, obviously we can't help but feel some concern that there may be another active leader in his former Scout troop who needs to be confronted. We don't want to start a "witch hunt", but do feel that perhaps we should pursue a little farther through Bob, whoever he is. Do you know Bob well enough to ask him to contact Bell and ask that he be more specific? Ask Bob if he can press the issue with Bell to identify the person so that we might prevent any further abuse from happening. If Bill refuses to name names or continue any further information to Bob, then I presume our hands are tied.

I discussed this case with Paul Ernst and he concurs that we pursue this if [REDACTED] is willing to cooperate with us. Let me know if I can help.

Sincerely yours,

Peter M. Farnemitz  
Assistant Regional Director

/ja

cc: Paul Eucklin, AD

bcc: Paul Ernst, S108

CONF005071

Chillicothe, Ohio 45601  
May, 27, 1991

Dear [REDACTED];

I have been hoping to get a letter from you, concerning my last letter but with all that you no doubt have happening now, I'm sure you have not had time.

[REDACTED] there are many things I would like to write you about, but unless I know your feelings I don't dare. I said things in my last letter to you, more or less, to test the water, I hope I did not say anything to offend you. [REDACTED] you may find it hard to believe, but you know more about my crimes or should I say what I am suppose to have done then I do. Since I was not permitted to read the newspaper more listen to the news about my crimes, I only have what people have told me about what was said. Some day we may meet again, I would like that, at that future time I will tell you the stuff the newspaper didn't say. Like I told you in my previous letter I belong here, I am not even thinking of telling you I don't, but [REDACTED] the newspaper and prosecuter went way overboard. Also, there were others involved and the prosecuter new that, but decided I was the easiest, and had the most to lose. [REDACTED], I can prove what I just said, but I have no desire to hurt anyone else the way I have been hurt. Also, [REDACTED] I very much like the other people and I will not say anything against them. [REDACTED], what I hope to gain from all this is at least your concern about other problems that may very well be hapening. What I caused was bad, but what may happen to others because of this could be alot worse. I need someone I can work through still in scouting. [REDACTED] I am not interested in making newspaper headlines or destroying any other humanbeing, I want to stop child molesting. When in 5 or 6 years if God is willing and I get another chance at freedom, I will start working to do what ever I can to keep others from falling into the same pit I fell into. I was in a very precarious situation, at the same time I was trying to teach others how to recognize and stop child abuse, I was. What made it worse was how the young men I was molesting felt about me. [REDACTED], I want to help some young ADULTS who very much need help, but I can not here. I believe there may be someone back there who would feel the same way, PLEASE can you find out by asking very discreetly, there are sources you have that are not open or available to me. I will do anything I can to help others get out of the mess I, could not find a way out of.

Please [REDACTED], there are people you know who need a way of getting help. [REDACTED] all I am asking you to do, is try to find a person who is willing to help me very discreetly contact these people and incurage them to ask for help. I know from my own experance that they don't know how to ask. ON the other hand these people may allready be receiving help that would be great. But, I have no way of knowing, I do know this though the potential is there for at least one of these people to do some real harm, because [REDACTED], I taught him how. [REDACTED] I am in real pain because of this. I have to try to correct this. If you are uneasy and you probably are, at least tell me if you know who I might write to and ask this question. [REDACTED], I can not write the Mental health people as they are required by law to report any thing like this.

My typewriter has a bad ribbon if you have not allready guessed, I hope it's dark enought to read. I would love to have my computer here things would be so much easier.

[REDACTED], I have some other things I would like to tell you about but this is very important to me (the above) so I am going to put this in the envelope and send it right away. [REDACTED] I have to try, it is very important to me. I feel very responsible for a lot of damage. The Hell with the good it's the bad I have to worry about.

Sincerely,  
[REDACTED]

CONF005072

# City man sentenced on sex crimes

By CHRISTOPHER BARTON  
Staff Reporter

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PETE - HERE IS THE MOST  
RECENT ON THE HARRY BELL CASE.

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NOVEMBER 21, 1990

Mr Paul Ernst  
Registration Services  
National Office BSA  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
Po Box 152079  
Irving, Tx 75062-1296

Dear Paul:

Enclosed is the article concerning the sentencing of  
Harry Bell Jr.

Sincerely,

  
Timothy J. Mansard,  
Scout Executive

TJM:cm



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# Former Scoutmaster guilty of sex charges

By CHRISTOPHER BARTON  
Staff Reporter

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October 9, 1990

Mr. Timothy J. Manard  
Scout Executive  
Muskingum Valley Council, No. 467

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: HARRY E. BELL, JR.

Dear Tim:

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

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cc: East Central Region

READY TO FILE  
OCT 09 1990  
ERIN O'RILEY

CONF005077





## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

National Office

1325 West Walnut Hill Lane

P.O. Box 152079, Irving, Texas 75015-2079

214-580-2000

October 8, 1990

SUBJECT: INELIGIBLE FILE  
HARRY BELL, JR.

FROM: Charlyn Lambert  
Secretary to Debra Duhs

TO: Paul Ernst  
Registration

Attached please find please find for your file on the above individual copies of the letter and accompanying newspaper clipping which we received from Scout Executive Manard with the Muskingum Valley Council in Zanesville, Ohio.

If you should have any questions concerning this correspondence, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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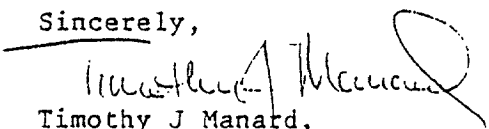
October 1, 1990

Charlyn Lambert  
Risk Management  
Boy Scouts of America  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
Po Box 152079  
Irving, Tx 75062-1296

Dear Ms Lambert:

Enclosed is a photo copy of a newspaper article concerning the Harry Bell Jr child abuse case. This article appeared Saturday, September 29, 1990.

Sincerely,

  
Timothy J Manard,  
Scout Executive

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July 29, 1990

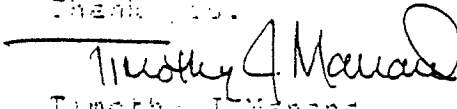
Mr. Paul Ernst  
Boy Scouts of America  
1925 Walnut Hill Lane  
P.O. Box 152078  
Dallas, TX 75215-2078

Dear Paul:

Enclosed are two newspaper articles concerning the case of Harry Bell Jr. whom we recently removed from Scouting based on the investigation and eventual arrest.

Please place these in his file.

Thank you.

  
Timothy J. Menard,  
Scout Executive

TJM:nm



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CONF005081

# Longtime Boy Scout leader indicted on 22 sex charges

By CHRISTOPHER BARTON  
Staff Reporter

ZANESVILLE — A 20-year scoutmaster was arrested and indicted by a special grand jury Friday on 22 counts of sex crimes relating to boy scouts, some of whom are now adults, said Allen Wolfe, Muskingum County Prosecutor.

Bond was set at \$100,000 for Harry E. Bell Jr., 44, of 717 Caldwell St. An arraignment date was set for June 27.

Bell was charged with illegal use of minors in nudity oriented material, pandering sexually oriented material involving minors, gross sexual imposition and sexual battery involving boys.

Felony charges were filed on 13 of the 22 counts, Wolfe said. Local victims included were at least 12 years old and so far seven victims have been identified.

Muskingum County Children's Services received an anonymous phone call June 1 in regard to Bell, said Bill Seyerle, intake investigation services supervisor. Muskingum County Sheriff's Department investigated Bell and found a library of materials at his residence.

Eight-millimeter film and videos depicting sexual intercourse and homemade picture books were found at his north end residence. One of those books contained pictures of minors, said Sheriff Bernie Gibson. The material was locked up in a separate room at his residence. None of the pictured material involved local boys.

"We don't know the amount of victims," Gibson said. Further investigation will continue.

Seyerle said that children's services worked from just one phone call and have teamed with investigators from the sheriff's

department for the past two weeks.

Seyerle said statistically that in sexual molestation cases, a higher percentage of girls report abuse than boys. He said he could not comment on the case against Bell.

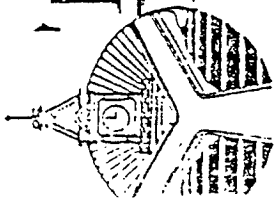
Muskingum Valley Council of Boy Scouts has cooperated with authorities, Wolfe said.

Tim Manard, council executive, said, "Mr. Bell contacted us of the investigation last week and we immediately removed him as scoutmaster," said.

Bell's troop No. 118 contains 36 scouts who are now under a new master, Manard said.

"There is no failsafe way to identify a child abuser," explained Manard. Scouts now study a new program of how to identify child abuse. "We tell kids to yell and tell ... and make it clear they don't tolerate it."

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## Innocent pleas made in sex case

By CHRISTOPHER BARTON  
Staff Reporter

A former scoutmaster charged with gross sexual imposition and sexual battery involving Boy Scouts pleaded innocent by reason of insanity Wednesday.

Harry E. Bell Jr., 44, of 717 Caldwell St., also entered an innocent plea to 22 counts of sex crimes, 13 of which are felonies, before Muskingum County Common Pleas Judge Richard Hixson.

Bell was continued at \$100,000 for Bell, who is being held in the Guernsey County Jail.

He was dismissed as scoutmaster of Troop 118 two weeks ago after notifying the Muskingum Valley Council of Boy Scouts of an investigation by Muskingum County Sheriff's Department.

Hixson denied bond reduction despite a request Wednesday from Bell's substitute attorney Kevin Van Horn that Bell be released on his own recognizance. Van Horn said he discussed the bond hearing with Bell's attorney Herb Baker, who could not be present because of a schedule conflict.

Van Horn asked for Bell's release, he said, despite possible retaliation Bell would face if released.

The charges against Bell, a 20-year scoutmaster in Zanesville, include illegal use of minors in nudity-oriented material and pandering sexually oriented material involving minors.

Prosecutor Allen Wolfe told the court that Bell contacted some of the seven alleged victims in the case before a grand jury indicted him.

"We understand that he talked to some of the victims about testimony," Wolfe said, adding that Bell might flee if



Substitute attorney Kevin Van Horn, left, counsels client Harry E. Bell Jr. in court Wednesday during his arraignment in Muskingum County Common Pleas Court. Bell entered two pleas of insanity, one by reason of insanity, to 22 counts of sex crimes that involved former Boy Scouts. Judge Richard Hixson continued bond at \$100,000. Bell is being defended by Zanesville lawyer Herb Baker, who was out of town. (TR Photo by Jeff Cope).

Mrs. Bell sat beside a friend with her head down and eyes closed during the arraignment. Van Horn requested that she not be sought for comment by the media after a June 1 anonymous phone call to Children's Services. Wolfe has said that some of the seven victims are out of scouting and older than 18.

"It's not the avalanche we thought," he said, referring to the unrelenting number of victims.

released and that Muskingum County Sheriff's Department is still investigating more charges against Bell.

Det. Brian Hoover, who is investigating the case, said more victims have talked to authorities.

Van Horn pointed out in court that Bell was a lifelong resident of Zanesville, his wife has been recently hospitalized and he is taking vacation time while in jail in an attempt to keep his job at Zanesville Blount.

Muskingum County Sheriff's Department arrived with a search warrant found homemade picture books and a collection of films and videotapes containing sexual intercourse. The material was under lock and key at Bell's north end home, said Sheriff Bernie Gibson.

A trial date was not immediately set. Bell will undergo forensic diagnosis to determine whether he is sane and competent to stand trial.



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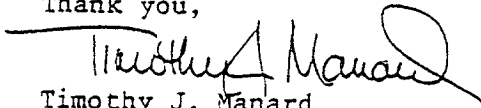
June 13, 1990

Paul Ernst  
Registration Service  
Boy Scouts of America  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
P.O. Box 152079  
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

Dear Paul,

Concerning the investigation of Harry Bell Jr. Since the initial allegations were made I have found the enclosed information on an earlier investigation in our confidential file. Please include this in the file on Mr. Bell.

Thank you,

  
Timothy J. Manard  
Scout Executive

cc. Peter Barbernitz



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[REDACTED]  
Zanesville, Ohio 43701  
July 2, 1987

[REDACTED]  
Zanesville, Ohio 43701

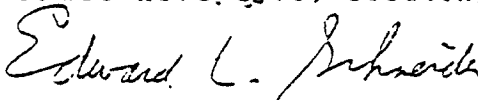
Dear [REDACTED]:

To confirm our verbal invitation, we would like to extend to you an opportunity to meet with the troop committee of Boy Scout Troop 118 to discuss your recent concerns.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, August 4, at 7:30 P.M. at the Knights of Columbus hall in [REDACTED].

Very truly yours,

  
Bruce Koiczallo, Scouting Coordinator

  
Edward L. Schneider, Committee Chairman



[REDACTED]  
Zanesville, Ohio 43701  
August 5, 1987

[REDACTED]  
Zanesville, Ohio 43701

Dear [REDACTED]:

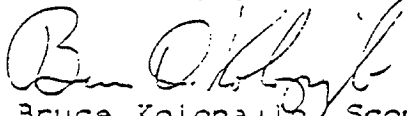
This letter is to inform you that we have concluded our investigation of the alleged misconduct of Scoutmaster Harry Bell of Boy Scout Troop 118.

Our conclusion was that Mr. Bell was totally innocent of the alleged misconduct. In response to this accusation the committee members did recommend that all scouting events be supervised by at least two leaders.

As committee members we empathize with your concerns and respect you for bringing this matter to our attention.

We have also advised Mr. Bell of our findings. Our recommendation to Mr. Bell is that he seek legal counsel if there are any other accusations or hear-say in regard to this matter. In light of all the years of experience and dedication that Mr. Bell has provided for scouting, we feel it is our obligation to listen for and investigate any rumors which are not legitimate.

Very truly yours,



Bruce Kolopajlo, Scouting Coordinator



Edward L. Schneider, Committee Chairman

cc: Harry Bell  
Knights of Columbus  
Boy Scouts of America, Muskingum Valley Council  
St. Nicholas Parish

### Conclusion of Investigation

We the undersigned members of Boy Scout Troop 118 have, at the request of the Scouting Coordinator, reviewed the accusation of [REDACTED] as presented.

The accusation was to have involved Harry Bell in the capacity as a Scout leader and [REDACTED], a scout of Troop 118. It was alleged that Mr. Bell provided [REDACTED] with Adult magazines to look at and that the behavior of Mr. Bell was less than professional. This incident was alleged to have occurred approximately three years ago at the cabin Mr. Bell secured for use of the scout troop. No other adult leaders or scouts were present to confirm or deny the accusation.

Our investigation was based on discussions with several current and past members of Troop 118, including the previous scouting coordinator, who was in office during the time this alleged incident took place. As a part of the investigation we invited [REDACTED] to attend a troop committee meeting and provide us with additional information or evidence.

In conclusion to this investigation we found no evidence to substantiate the presented accusation. Mr. Bell has provided us with a signed statement denying the accusations. The committee has based a great deal of emphasis on Mr. Bell's excellent reputation in scouting over the last 20 years and perhaps even a greater emphasis on the overall superb character references that committee members have attested to on behalf of Mr. Bell.

In response to the accusation we, the troop committee, recommend that all scouting events should be supervised by at least two adult leaders. We further recommend that all scouting activities and projects which are not supervised by two adults have at least two boys participating. This recommendation should be followed to avoid possible incriminating accusations and for the concern and safety of the participants.

Signed and dated:

From the desk of  
TIMOTHY J. MANARD  
Scout Executive



Rec'd  
5-90

Paul,

Enclosed is a letter  
revoking the registration of Harry  
Bell Jr. based on alleged  
misconduct with Scouts. An investigation  
is now underway by the  
Sheriff's Department.

Please remove Harry from  
registration.

Thanks,  
Tim

# APPENDIX A

## SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE REPORTING FORM ANY COUNCIL BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

The following information was provided to:

TIMOTHY J. MANARD  
(Name of person/position)

(Telephone number address)

Name of suspected abuser HARRY BELL JR.

Address [REDACTED]

Telephone No. [REDACTED] Scouting position, if known SM

Child's name UNKNOWN POLE Date of birth [REDACTED]

Address INVESTIGATION

Parent's name [REDACTED]

Address [REDACTED]

Telephone No. ( ) [REDACTED]

Physical indicators observed: [REDACTED]

Behavioral indicators observed: [REDACTED]

Other indicators observed/known: [REDACTED]

Reporter's name and position [REDACTED]

Date of report [REDACTED] Signature [REDACTED]

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# APPENDIX B

## CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET REGISTRATION SERVICE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Date 6/7/90

Social Security Number [REDACTED]

Full name HARRY BELL JR.

(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address [REDACTED]

City ZANESVILLE State OHIO ZIP 43701

Date of birth [REDACTED] (This is important and should be exact)

Approximate age [REDACTED] (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

Religion [REDACTED] Nationality [REDACTED]

Occupation LABORER

Education [REDACTED]

Weight [REDACTED] Height [REDACTED] Race [REDACTED]

Color of hair BROWN Color of eyes [REDACTED]

Outstanding characteristics or interests [REDACTED]

Married or single MARRIED Children 2

(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Spouse's name [REDACTED]

Scouting connections: [REDACTED]

Unit No. 118 City ZANESVILLE State OH. Position SM Date registered 6/7/90

Special recognition [REDACTED]

Suspended or denied registration for following reasons [REDACTED]

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

Signed Timothy J. Manard

Scout Executive

Council 467

June 7, 1990

HAND DELIVER

Mr. Harry Bell, Jr.

Zanesville, OH 43701

Dear Mr. Bell:

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 as well as the Philmont registration or other fees.

You should understand that BSA 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 that the BSA 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 should be reinstated. The procedures for review are attached.

Sincerely yours,

RAB/mmi  
cc: Tim Manard, Executive

RICHARD A. BAKER,  
President

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MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT SYSTEM

06/12/90  
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CNCL 467 PRG/UNIT 50118 SEQ. 001604

MEMBER DELETE

FIRST: HARRY E

LAST : BELL JR

ADDR1: [REDACTED]

ADDR2: ZANESVILLE OH

ADDR3:

ADDR4:

ZIP: 43701

REG STATUS: R ENROLL: 0385 BIRTH: 0146 SEX: M AGENCY: M ADULT/YOUTH: A

POSITION: SM FINDERCODE: 02 PHONE: [REDACTED] BULK:

NAO-STATUS:

REN DAT: 0291

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PGN/UNIT:

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TRANSFER DATE:

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														1304	0391

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MEMBER DELETED FROM DATABASE SUCCESSFULLY