

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL
B.S.A.

DATE August 13, 1969

Full Name Howard Gupton
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address 944 New Ballwin Rd.

City Ballwin State Mo.

Age 26 10/24/42 (This is important and should be exact).

Approximate age _____ (To be used ONLY when exact age is not known)

Religion Protestant Nationality _____

Occupation Landscape Business

Education High School OR Less

Weight 165 Color white Height 6'

Color of hair brown Color of eyes brown

Outstanding characteristics or interests _____

Married or single Yes Children Yes but may be wifes by previous marriage
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Wife's name ?

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

| <u>Unit #</u> | <u>City</u> | <u>State</u> | <u>Office</u> | <u>Date Reg'd.</u> | <u>Date resigned</u> |
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| Troop 783 | Ballwin, Mo. | | SM | | |

Special recognition _____

Recommended for Confidential File for following reasons:

Misconduct with boys - Homosexual

Signed [Signature]
Scout Executive

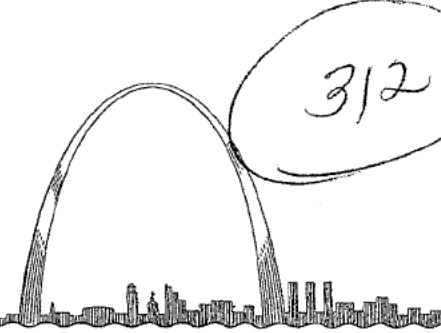
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Mr. Howard Boyd
Director of Registration Service
National Council, B.S.A.
New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903

Dear Howard:

The following individual should be placed on the Confidential Files and removed from the roster of the unit indicated:

Howard Gupton
Troop 783
Ballwin, Missouri
Address: 944 New Ballwin Road
Ballwin, Missouri 63011

His physical description is: white - male - 26 years of age - born 10/24/42 in Peoria, Illinois - 6' tall, 165 pounds, medium build - ruddy complexion - brown hair (straight) and brown eyes - stained teeth. He is and has been in the landscape business.

Enclosed are two letters pertinent to this matter.

Mr. [REDACTED], parent of one of the boys involved, has agreed to send a letter giving you more information. He has procrastinated and in the meantime I thought it best to forward this much information for your file.

Sincerely,
Gerald R. Ulrich

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Deputy Scout Executive

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Enclosures

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[REDACTED]
Ballwin, Missouri
June 23, 1969

Mr. Gerald Ulrich
Deputy Scout Executive
Boy Scouts of America
4568 West Pine Blvd.
St. Louis, Mo. 63108

Dear Bud:

I appreciate your taking time today to discuss by phone a mutual problem and look forward to our meeting Monday night where we can discuss in depth a course of action which will be desirable to all parties concerned.

As to the purpose of this letter, I wish to advise certain information and actions already taken, plus a recommended course of action for you, as Deputy Scout Executive, to follow.

1. Mr. Howard Gupton, Scoutmaster, Troop 783, Ballwin, Missouri has been relieved of his duties as of Saturday morning, June 21, 1969.
2. The action was taken in view of information furnished which, in the opinion of myself and all undersigned parties, questions the ability and moral character of Mr. Howard Gupton.
3. As a matter of record, this man is in the custody of the Sheriff's Office at Farmington, Missouri pending prosecution.
4. The undersigned also recommend the only course of action for the Boy Scouts of America to follow would be to go on record officially that this man is no longer morally fit to serve in any capacity with the Boy Scouts or any other youth organization, and that this information be placed where it is accessible to any responsible party or parties inquiring as to this man's fitness to serve.

Bud, I wish that you would confirm in writing to me the course of action which will be followed by your office.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
Committee Chairman

COMMITTEEMEN
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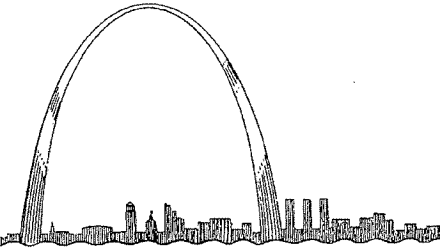
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RUSSELL J. HART
Scout Executive



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

COUNCIL NO. 312

Russell J. Hart
Scout Executive

Russ:

This is to notify the St. Louis Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, that Mr. Howard Gupton, Scoutmaster of Troop 783, has been removed as the Scoutmaster of the Troop on Saturday, June 21, 1969 at Camp Famous Eagle.

This decision was reached by the Chairman of the Committee Mr. Cornwell, and two other members of the Troop today.

A formal letter removing Mr. Gupton will be sent to the Council Office as soon as possible by the chairman of the Committee.

For reasons that are personal, Mr. Gupton, should be removed from the membership rosters of the Boy Scouts of America, and never be allowed the privilege of membership in our movement and this action should be instituted at once.

Mr. Lancaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, is acting Scoutmaster here at camp and a new Scoutmaster will be appointed as soon as possible. This information should be given to Charles West, District Scout Executive, so that he can assist the troop in recruiting a new Scoutmaster.

Troop 783 is sponsored by the V.F.W. Post in Ballwin and meets at a school in the community. Mr. Gupton's address is 944 New Ballwin Road, Ballwin, Missouri 63011.

William A. Harper, Director
Camp Famous Eagle

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Produced Pursuant to Protective Order

August 29, 1969

Mr. Russell J. Hart
Scout Executive
St. Louis Area Council, No. 312

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Re: Howard Gupton

Dear Russ:

Thank you for the confidential record sheet concerning Mr. Gupton.
We have placed this information in our file.

This additional information will enable us to identify Mr. Gupton,
should he ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program.

Sincerely,

Howard Boyd, Director
Registration and Fulfillment Service

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Produced Pursuant to Court Order No. 03-2372149

August 19, 1969

Mr. Russell J. Hart
Scout Executive
St. Louis Area Council, No. 312

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Re: Howard Gupton

Attention: Mr. Gerald R. Ulrich, Deputy Scout Executive

Dear Russ:

Thank you for your letter of August 13, 1969 and the enclosed correspondence concerning Mr. Howard Gupton, Scoutmaster of Troop 783. We have placed this information in our file and have taken steps to have his name deleted from the Troop roster.

We will appreciate receiving the letter from the boy's parents and any other substantive material you can provide. This information will enable us to identify Mr. Gupton, should he ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program.

Sincerely,

Howard Boyd, Director
Registration and Fulfillment Service

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PS: Please complete the enclosed confidential record sheet and return it to us. Thank you.

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