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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

April 11, 1991

Mr. Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service
National Office - Boy Scouts of America
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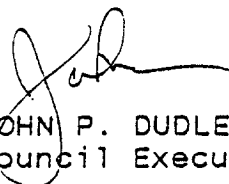
RE: James McCormick

Dear Paul:

Enclosed you will find a newspaper clipping from today's The Sun on the above-referenced individual.

As you can see, he received a sentence of 2 years, 8 months in state prison.

Sincerely,



JOHN P. DUDLEY
Council Executive

Enclosure

Ex-sheriff's deputy sentenced to 2 years, 8 months for sex with boy

By CHUCK MUELLER
The Sun's Barstow Bureau

BARSTOW — A former sheriff's deputy who admitted having sex with a 16-year-old boy he took home after settling a domestic dispute was sentenced Wednesday to two years and eight months in state prison.

James McCormick, 36, Baker's 1988 Citizen of the Year, was immediately taken by a superior court bailiff to a holding cell. He will begin his sentence at the men's prison in Chino.

"By using his position he betrayed his public trust to protect children," said Deputy District Attorney Kay Neshat.

Judge Leroy Simmons denied defense attorney Steve Bremser's request for probation for the ex-deputy, who pleaded guilty Feb. 7 to felony counts of oral copulation and sodomy with a minor. A plea-bargain agreement dismissed three felony and three misdemeanor counts that could have meant a maximum sentence of five years and eight months.

"We expect a great deal, perhaps too much, from people in law enforcement," Simmons said. "It's a grant of great public trust with great responsibilities."

Alluding to the videotaped March 3 police beating of Rodney King in Los Angeles, the judge said, "Perhaps the timing of this (sentencing) is unfortunate. But concerns about other police officers betraying the public trust has not influenced the outcome."

Simmons said most people hold police officers "with high esteem and trust.

"Where much is given, much also is expected. When we commit acts deserving a punitive response, we expect certain punishment. If not, it seems our confidence in the way the system acts is damaged."

The county probation depart-

Armed boy, companion rob Rialto market

The Sun

RIALTO — A child with a gun — and adult supervision — stayed up past his bedtime and held up a

ment recommended McCormick be denied probation. Neshat said: "People want to trust police officers, and children want to trust (them). Using the facade of a police badge demands that he be punished. The community needs to be protected from him."

Bremser, who requested probation for his client, said there was no evidence that McCormick had used his job as a cover.

"If true, he would face other charges. He has admitted wrong on one occasion, and that's all there is."

Residents of Baker, 60 miles east of Barstow, said McCormick's arrest tore the town apart. Many thought the sentence specified under the plea agreement was too lenient.

The defense attorney argued that Baker residents knew that McCormick had remained in the town, free on \$7,500 bail, pending Wednesday's sentencing.

"I see no reason for any danger (from McCormick) in Baker, or any harm to the victim."

Under the sentence, McCor-

mick will be required to register as a sex offender for the rest of his life, take a blood test to determine whether he carries the AIDS virus and pay a \$5,000 fine. He could be released in 16 months for good behavior and be placed on parole for up to four years.

In Memoriam

Death notices in this column are prepared by The Sun's classified advertising department. For information, please call (714) 888-3252.

ALEXANDER A. 'PAMPA' ADAME

Alexander A. 'Pampa' Adame, 77, a life time resident of San Bernardino, died April 9, 1991 in San Bernardino.

A native of Los Angeles, he had worked as a Cement Mason for Union Local 97 for thirty-eight years. He was a member of the Good Sheppard Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include his wife, Petra; daughter & son-in-law Stella & George L. Romero; daughter, Irene Adame; son, Arthur Rincon; brothers, Eliceo V. Adame, Arthur V. Adame and Henry Adame; sisters, Aurora Aranda, Anita Adame, Juanita Moyeda, Rachel Martinez, Helen Ortega, Gloria Jimenez, and Neome Vert; grandchildren, George Romero, Jr., Randy L. Romero, Cindy Hernandez, Julie Botello and Jamie Romero; great grandchildren, Randy Alexander Romero, Jeremy Good, George L. Romero III, Daniel Botello, Jaclyn Hernandez, Jenna Hernandez, Kevin Romero, Brian Romero, Brittney Botello, and Ronald P. Hernandez.

Evening Services will be Sunday, April 14, 1991 at 7:00 p.m. at the Mark B. Shaw Memorial Chapel.

Funeral Services will be Monday, April 15, 1991 at 9:00 a.m. at Good Sheppard Presbyterian Church, 829 N. Mt. Vernon, San Bernardino, followed by interment at Mt. View Cemetery.

Friends may call after 4:00 p.m. Sunday at the Mortuary.

In Memoriam

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LAVERNE 'SUNNY' COOPER

LaVerne 'Sunny' Cooper of Colton passed away Sunday, April 7, 1991 at the Loma Linda University Medical Center.

She was formerly of Honeyville, Utah and had resided in Colton for sixty-one years. She was a homemaker and was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Colton 2nd Ward.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth F. Cooper of Colton; sons, Terry R. Lambeth of Colton, Richard D. Lambeth of Laguna Beach; daughter, Gail Allred of Bountiful, Utah; brother, Ira N. Dewey of Loma Linda; sisters, Sally Ganter of Apple Valley, Geri Rose of Elsinore, Utah, and Letty Knowles of Fremont; eight grandchildren; two great grandchildren.

Visitation will be at the Colton Funeral Chapel on Thursday, April 11, 1991 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Church services will be held Friday, April 12, 1991 at 1:00 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 2nd Ward, 250

Mark
B.

Shaw

April 2, 1991

Mr. John P. Dudley
Scout Executive
California Inland Empire Council, No. 45

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: JAMES MCCORMICK

Dear John:

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: Richard E. Parker, Western Region

READY FOR FILE
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February 8, 1991.

Mr. Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service
National Office - Boy Scouts of America
Post Office Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

RE: James McCormick

Dear Paul:

Enclosed you will find a newspaper clipping from today's The Sun on the above-referenced individual.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Berni Brown".

Berni Brown
Administrative Assistant to
JOHN P. DUDLEY
Council Executive

Enclosure

Ex-deputy pleads guilty to sex crimes

Man faces 2 years, 8 months in prison for having sex with 16-year-old boy

By **CHUCK MUELLER**
The Sun's Barstow Bureau

BARSTOW — A former San Bernardino County's sheriff's deputy pleaded guilty Thursday to two felony counts of having sexual relations with a 16-year-old boy.

Under a plea bargain, six other counts against James McCormick will be dropped.

McCormick, Baker's 1988 Citizen of the Year, faces two years and eight months in state prison after pleading guilty in municipal court to oral copulation and sodomy with a minor. He will be sentenced March 25 in Superior Court and remains free on \$7,500 bail.

Three other felony counts and three misdemeanor counts will be dismissed when McCormick is sentenced by Judge Leroy Simmons.

McCormick will be required to register as a sex offender for the rest of his life, take a blood test to determine whether he carries the AIDS virus and pay a \$10,000 fine.

McCormick took the boy home Oct. 21 after mediating a dispute between the boy and his mother at their home in Sandy Valley, sheriff's investigators said. The boy was monitored at the officer's residence.

McCormick, a deputy since 1980, resigned Oct. 26 — the day after his arrest.

Standing solemnly before Municipal Court Judge James Dorr on Thursday, McCormick quietly pleaded guilty to the two felonies. He was represented by attorney Steve Bremser of Victorville.

The deal struck with prosecutors angered the boy's mother.

"I'm very angry," Peggy Jackson, 36, said outside the courtroom. "I don't think two years and eight months is nearly enough for what he's done. I would have liked to have seen him get 20 years."

McCormick could be released in 16 months for good behavior, she said.

"I feel he could do this again, and I believe he may do it again. He is an emotionally dis-

turbed person who needs to be tested."

Francine Chabot and Bernadette Schultz of the non-profit Grace Guardian Angels Research Center, a private Apple Valley group focusing on child protection, said the plea bargain was unlawful because the charges represented "crimes of violence against a minor."

They asked Dorr to replace the district attorney with a representative of the state attorney general's office. Dorr denied the request.

Deputy District Attorney William Hless said McCormick was not charged with committing the acts through force, violence or intimidation.

"Believe me, we have no intent of protecting an officer of the law when we find a bad apple."

But Jackson said her son was intimidated because McCormick was a police officer.

"The deputy didn't tie my son up or beat him. But the fact he was an officer intimidated him."

December 5, 1990

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A. GRAVES

Mr. John P. Dudley
Scout Executive
California Inland Empire Council, No. 45

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: James McCormick

Dear John:

Thanks so much for all the material you recently sent. This is most helpful as we establish a file.

We would like the outcome of the legal action once the courts have completed that matter. Newspaper clippings or court records would be most helpful in having a file that will enable us to refuse registration anywhere in the country.

Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service

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cc: Western Region

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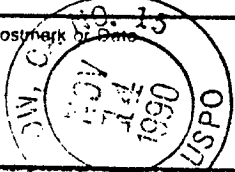
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MR JAMES McCORMICK
 [Redacted]
BARBARA, CA 92309

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November 26, 1990

Mr. Paul Ernst, Director
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RE: James McCormick

Dear Paul:

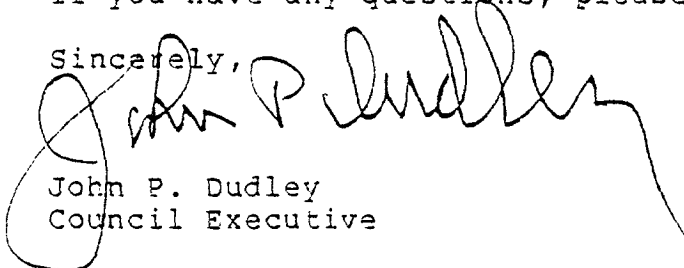
Enclosed you will find the file on James McCormick, which includes the following information:

- 1) Cover letter to McCormick;
- 2) Appendix B;
- 3) Appendix C with attachment;
- 4) Return Receipt Postcard*;
- 5) Memo from [REDACTED] to Council Executive with copy of Adult Member Listing of Post 265;
- 6) Copy of FAXed newspaper clipping and message from volunteer scouter regarding the story hitting the KNBC news on 11-01-90;
- 7) Copy of subsequent newspaper article wherein McCormick "admits sexual crime."

*It was determined that the best way to serve Mr. McCormick with the letter was through certified mail, return receipt requested, since the only address of record was "General Delivery".

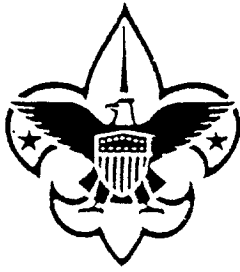
If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,


John P. Dudley
Council Executive

JPD:bw
Enclosures

*Added to file
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TO BE HAND DELIVERED

November 1, 1990

Mr. James McCormick
Baker, CA 92309

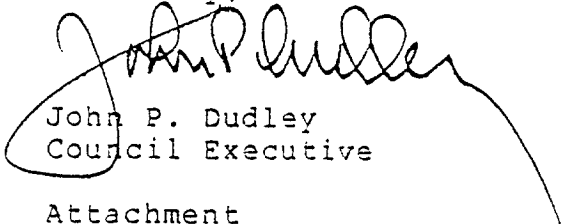
Dear Mr. McCormick:

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 that you may have with the Boy Scouts of America. A refund of your prorated registration fee is enclosed.

You should understand that BSA membership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to refuse registration whenever there is a concern that an individual may not meet the high standards of membership which the BSA seeks to provide for American youth.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed by a BSA regional review committee, please write to the regional director within sixty (60) days of the date of this letter, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA member should be reinstated. The procedures for a review of this decision are attached.

Sincerely,



John P. Dudley
Council Executive

Attachment

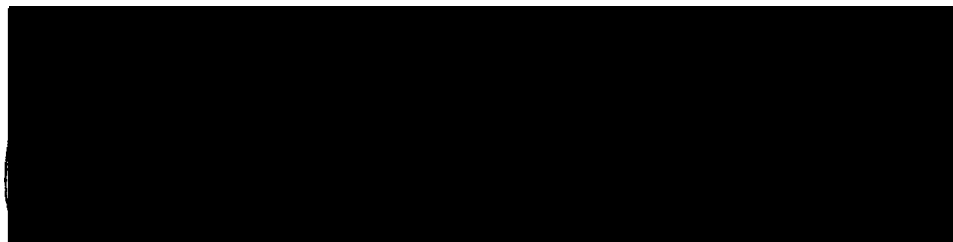
REQUESTING A REVIEW OF DECISION TO DENY REGISTRATION PRIVILEGE

The following information is provided should you desire a review by the Western Region, BSA, of the decision to deny your registration.

1. Within sixty (60) days, you must request in writing a review of this decision. Your request should be sent to the regional director, Richard R. Harrington, Western Region, BSA, Post Office Box 3464, Sunnyvale, CA 94088-3464. In your request, you may include your version of what occurred in support of your claim that your registration should not have been denied.
2. Upon the receipt of your written request, a committee will be appointed to review the situation.
3. You may attend the review hearing, but it is not adversarial in nature and neither the committee nor you will be represented by legal counsel. If you wish, you may be accompanied by no more than two other individuals, if their testimony might assist the committee in discovering the truth and arriving at a correct decision.
4. The committee will review the facts as presented and may interview any persons whose testimony might assist them in arriving at a correct decision.
5. You will receive a letter setting forth the decision of the committee.
6. If you disagree with the decision of the committee, you may request a review of this decision by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Mr. James McCormick, Associate Advisor, Explorer Post 265, has reportedly resigned from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department because of allegedly having had sex with a male minor.

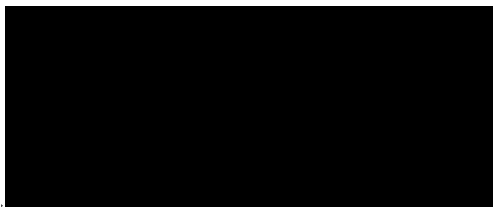
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SUBJECT CHILD ABUSE

I receive a call from Ed Zall at 10:20 this morning informing us that the Associateadvisor JAMES MC CORMICK Post 265. Had resigned from theSan Bernardino Co. Sheriff Office for having had sex with a male minor.

JAMES MCCORMICK

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BAKER CA 92309

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PO BOX 590
BAKER CA 92309

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132144	MC	N		RICHARD A JOHNSON	[REDACTED]	BAKER CA	92309	[REDACTED]	M	[REDACTED]
132143	AA	N		JAMES MCCORMICK	[REDACTED]	BAKER CA	92309	[REDACTED]	M	[REDACTED]



A popular ex-deputy arrested on sex charge

By ALAN MITTELSTAEDT
Sun Staff Writer



county Children's Protective Services and is living in a foster home, Cardwell said.

McCormick posted \$7,500 bail last Thursday.

McCormick, 36, said he will discuss the matter with residents of the close-knit town, but would not make any public statements.

"I'm not going to say anything. I don't feel like I should."

A 10-year veteran of the sheriff's department, McCormick was Baker's resident deputy since 1986, an assignment that included housing but meant working irregular hours.

The sheriff's department may submit its case to the district attorney's office for review by the end of the week.

Cardwell gave this account:

On Oct. 21, McCormick responded at 2 p.m. to a distur-

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A former San Bernardino County Sheriff's deputy has been arrested for allegedly having sex with a 16-year-old boy he took home after mediating a family disturbance near the desert community of Baker.

James McCormick, Baker's 1988 Citizen of the Year, resigned from the department last Friday, one day after his arrest on suspicion of sodomy and oral copulation with a minor. Both acts are felonies.

The boy stayed at McCormick's house for three days last week before leaving and notifying relatives, who called authorities, said sheriff's Capt. Michael Cardwell, commander of a specialized detective division.

There was no indication that any kind of force was used," Cardwell said. "The boy did live with McCormick from Oct. 21st until the 24th."

The boy was turned over to

Ex-deputy: McCormick arrested on sex charge

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bance call in Sandy Valley. He found a mother and son arguing.

"After he intervened in a dispute between a 16-year-old and his mother, McCormick left and took the 16-year-old with him."

The boy and his mother agreed that the boy could leave with McCormick.

"He had no place to go."

The boy went with McCormick to the deputy's house where the sexual acts allegedly occurred.

After the accusations surfaced, Cardwell said detectives served a search warrant at McCormick's house, but he would

not disclose what was found for fear of jeopardizing the criminal case.

"Obviously we found evidence to substantiate the minor's allegations."

In a 1987 interview, McCormick talked about the varied nature of his job patrolling tiny Baker — population 500 — best known as a gas stop for Las Vegas-bound travelers along busy Interstate 15.

"We're basically never off duty," McCormick said. "A lot of stuff we do out here isn't basically considered police work. Everybody has to work together out here."

McCormick received the Officer of the Month award in April

1989 from Citizens Offering Police Support, a community group.

He has been a popular community leader.

Last year, a sheriff's department proposal to transfer McCormick prompted 100 letters of support, said Lois Clark, co-editor of the twice-monthly Baker Valley News.

She does not believe the allegations and praised McCormick for organizing the Explorers, a youth group, and getting a new fire station for Baker.

"It's probably just a smear campaign," Clark said. "As far as I'm concerned, Deputy McCormick was a real upstanding citizen in our community. He's done a lot of good for the kids in town."

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and shaking with fright, and the deputy put a blanket around him after their shower.

The boy "was cold and scared of what he was doing," according to the report.

The case came to light Oct. 24 when the boy left McCormick's house and called a relative.

The boy's mother had permitted her son to leave with McCormick for a "cooling off" period.

"He (McCormick) did have contact with CPS and volunteered to take the kid and CPS said, 'Fine,'" said Capt. Michael Cardwell, commander of the sheriff's specialized detective division.

But officials for the children's agency said such an arrangement

is forbidden by county rules.

"No one is allowed to take a child home unless it is approved by my level or above," said Mike Decker, deputy director of Child Protective Services.

If he found an employee had granted such permission, "They'd be in big trouble," he said.

Bob Kirkland, supervisor in

the Barstow office of Child tective Services, said he could discuss the specific case because of confidentiality considerations.

"We under no circumstance, release minors to non-relatives," Kirkland said. "We've had deputies and even police chiefs say, 'I will take the child home,' and we say, 'No, you won't. Don't even put yourself in that situation.'"

Ex-sheriff's deputy admits sexual crime

By ALAN MITTELSTAEDT
Sun Staff Writer

A former San Bernardino County sheriff's deputy has told investigators he sodomized a 16-year-old boy he removed from a family dispute Oct. 21 in the tiny desert community of Baker.

James McCormick gave his account to investigators on Oct. 25, the day of his arrest on suspicion of sodomy and oral copulation with a minor.

The boy was at McCormick's house for three days last month — a stay approved by a Child Protective Services social worker the deputy called from the scene of the family argument, a sheriff's official said.

After his arrest, McCormick, 35, resigned from the department. The district attorney's office is expected to review the case this week.

"If I say anything, my attorney will probably scream and holler at me."

James McCormick
Former sheriff's deputy

In his statement Oct. 25, the 10-year veteran deputy and Baker's Citizen of the Year in 1988 said he and the boy showered together before engaging in a variety of sex acts in his bedroom.

On Tuesday, McCormick declined to discuss the statement, which was contained in a report the sheriff's department filed to obtain a search warrant for McCormick's modular home.

"What I told the investigators is between them and me and the court right now. If I say anything, my attorney will probably scream and holler at me."

He added: "I'm not admitting anything."

Investigators searched McCormick's house Oct. 25. They found 26 photographs, a roll of unexposed film and a blank videotape. None of the film is believed to be related to the case involving the boy.

Also found were 11 sexually explicit magazines featuring nude males.

In addition to McCormick's statement, court records contain a summary of the boy's account.

The boy said he was nervous

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