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November 20, 1978

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Mr. Paul Ernst Registration and Subscription Service National Office Boy Scouts of America North Brunswick, New Jersey 08902

Dear Paul:

I am enclosing a newspaper clipping that appeared in the Fort Worth Star Telegram regarding Larry Wayne Reid. This clipping should be placed in the file you have concerning Mr. Reid.

If you have any questions, please advise.

Most sincerely,

T. J. Van Houten

Acting Scout Executive

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September 2, 1977

Mr. T. J. Van Houten Scout Executive Longhorn Council, No.582

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Larry W. Reid

Dear T. J. :

We have again reviewed this case with our Attorney and the latest information you supplied completed this case. We have now placed this man on our file. Your efforts in this area are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director Registration & Subscription Service

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July 28, 1977

Mr. Paul I. Ernst, Director Registration & Subscription Service National Council, BSA North Brusnwick, N. J. 08902

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

Subject: Larry W. Reid

Dear Paul:

Re your letter of June 24, 1977.

The review meeting regarding Larry W. Reid was conducted on May 3, 1977. Attending were:

Lloyd Flood
Sam Callaway
John Barry Hubbard
Jack Keeton
T. J. Van Houten

Council President Council Attorney Executive Board Member Scout Executive Director Field Service

All documents were reviewed. These documents were the same that you now have in Mr. Reid's file.

Following the review of documents, the committee agreed with the decision made to suspend Mr. Reid's membership. A letter was prepared to Mr. Reid notifying him of the review committee's decision, and informing Mr. Reid that he had two options.

Option A was to appear before the review committee in person. Option B was to request a review with the Region.

This letter was hand delivered to Mr. Reid. Mr. Reid stated that he did not wish to exercise either of the two (2) options offered to him and would not seek involvement in Scouting anymore.

I hope this information is sufficient to complete the report on Mr. Reid. If not, let me know.

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Since

T. J. Van Houten Director Field Service

cc: Jack Keeton

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June 24, 1977

Mr. T. J. Van Houten Director of Field Service Longhorn Council, No. 582

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Larry W. Reid

Dear T. J.:

We have now reviewed the complete file which you sent us with our attorney. This gave us much information and has pretty well showed us the case except for a little information which the attorney would still like.

He has asked that I request a copy of any minutes of the review meeting which you have held in your Council. It would also be helpful to know what records were looked at at that time and if any people were interviewed.

Perhaps you also know by now whether Mr. Peid is pursuing a review through the Region. All of this information would be helpful in completing our file.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director Registration & Subscription Service

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May 17, 1977

Mr. Paul Ernst, Director Registration and Subscription National Council, B.S.A. North Brunswick, New Jersey 08902

Dear Paul,

I am returning all the documentation regarding Mr. Larry Reid.

The Longhorn Council, at the request of Mr. Reid, conducted a review of the decision to suspend his application. The committee upheld the suspension and has so informed Mr. Reid. In the letter to Mr. Reid notifying him of the committee's decision, he was informed that he could request a review by the Region. I have sent through Bill Hofmann, to Glendon Johnson, a copy of the last letter.

As far as I can determine this should complete our actions.

Sincerely,

T. J. VanHouten

Director of Field Service

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May 17, 1977

Mr. William H. Hofmann Regional Director South Central Region Boy Scouts of America Dallas, Texas

Dear Bill,

The BCC enclosed is through you to Glendon.

Mr. Larry Reid was suspended from Scouting due to improper conduct with boys.

Mr. Reid requested a review by the Longhorn Council, which was done. His next contact will be with the Region if he desires to pursue this matter.

I am returning all documentation to Paul Ernst.

If you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely,

T. J. VanHouten
Director of Field Service

TJVH:jw

May 16, 1977

Mr. Larry Reid 308 North Walnut Cleburne, Texas 76031

Dear Mr. Reid.

In my letter to you dated April 25, 1977, I informed you that I would appoint a committee to review the statements that were received by the Longhorn Council that led to your suspension from the Boy Scouts of America.

This committee met and reviewed the statements as well as your letter to me and following this review have arrived at the following decision.

"After a careful review of the written statements concerning the conduct of Mr. Larry Reid, this committee supports the decision of the suspension of Mr. Reid's membership in the Boy Scouts of America."

There will be no further action on this matter unless you specifically and formally request to personally appear before the committee or you may write the Regional President.....Mr. Glendon E. Johnson, Regional President

South Central Region, Boy Scouts of America One Moody Plaza

Galveston, Texas.....explaining in detail why you feel this committee's decision is in error, and request a review by the Region.

I would appreciate you informing me of your decision.

Sincerely,

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Lloyd Flood President

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BCC: Through William Hofmann to Mr. Glendon Johnson Gene Buie

April 25, 1977

Mr. Larry Reid 308 North Walnut Cleburne, Texas 76031

Dear Mr. Reid,

This letter is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated April 11, 1977 requesting a review of the suspension of your membership in the Boy Scouts of America.

As President of the Longhorn Council, I will appoint a review committee to consider all aspects of this matter.

My letter of March 17 to you was delayed for several reasons.

- A. The letter was to be hand delivered.
- B. The meeting you had with Mr. Gene Buie and Mr. T. J. VanHouten for them to deliver the letter occured as soon as the three of you were all available.

As was explained to you by Mr. Buie and Mr. VanHouten, statements were received by the Longhorn Council and were transmitted to the National Council.

The National Council recommended the suspension. I hasten to point out suspension not termination.

We have requested that the statements be returned for review by the committee I will appoint.

As soon as possible this committee will be in contact with you.

Sincerely,

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Lloyd Flood President

LF:jw

Larry W. Reid 308 N. Walnut Cleburne. Tx 76031

Dear Mr. Flood.

in response to your letter of 14 Mar 77. I am writing this letter. It may be a long one.

I do not know of the facts except for hearsay, as to why I

should not be a scout meader.

2. I would like to know the facts first hand, as to the where. who, and when the charges were to have happened.

3. I would like to clear my name.

I am sending you two itmes, which mean more to me than anything else except my bible. If I am not to be a leader, I do not want naything that will remind me of my scouting experiences.

5. I was also sent to court, tried, and convicted, and sentenced, before I could even give my side and present a defense.

6. I have talked to many people about this, and I am told that it is a conspicarcy to get me out of Scouting, because I am a radical.
7. I can not even give a defense, because I do not know for sure what I was suppose to have done.

8. I have decided even if I clear my name, whicha I think I will

do, I will never again be active in scouting again, beacuse of No. 5.

9. 1 was not given a letter from you till the 5th of Apr, which was dated the 14th of Mar. I can tell by the letter that action must have started before the first of the year. I do not like this, and I do not think that it is scout Like.

10. I have been in Scouting since the age of 8, attained the rank of magle at the age of 14, and received my vigil last year. I served in the Army for three years. You an AXXXXX contact TransAtelentic council as to my service to occuting in Germany. If not, I will tell you myself. I can tell you some instances that happen while I wes

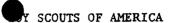
in the service, that I think can help prove my innoncence.

11. Also, you may not know this, but right around the time you wrote your letter, there was a meeting here in Cleburne to discuss me. All the leaders in occuting here in claburne were asked to be there. They were told what was suppose to have happed. I have tried to talk to a couple of these persons, and they will not even talk to me. I do not think this is teir, as I have not presented a defense. They have not heard my side of the accusations. They also have sent me to court and tried and conviceted and sentenced me. Some of these men are supposed to be Christins and serve the lord. If, this is

so, why are they this why. I know we are all only hemen. But, why:
12. I in no way want to hurt the name of Scouting, and in will
no way, will I take any of the people who have made these accusations

to court, as a know what it might to do tescouting.

Please keep this as confidental as possible, I have already been burt enough.



-MEMORANDUM-

DATE:

April 8, 1977

FROM:

T. J. Van Houten

SUBJECT:

VISIT TO LARRY REID

On Wednesday evening April 5, 1977, 7:15 p.m., Mr. Gene Buie, District Chairman Santa Fe District, and I met with Larry Reid. The purpose of the visit was to hand deliver a letter to Mr. Reid suspending his resignation as a volunteer leader with the Boy Scouts of America.

Mr. Reid was very nervous as we started the meeting.

Mr. Buie told Mr. Reid that the letter being delivered was drawn after the Longhorn Council had received and transmitted complaints against Mr. Reid for improper conduct with youth members.

Mr. Reid read the letter; Mr. Reid then stated that he was not guilty of the complaints and would like to know the names, dates, etc. of the supposed occurances that caused the complaints to be lodged.

Mr. Buie explained to Mr. Reid that the information received by the Longhorn Council was confidential and would be treated as such.

Mr. Buie then explained to Mr. Reid that if he denied the complaints, then he should write Mr. Lloyd Flood, Council President, and state his denial and ask for a complete investigation and review..

Mr. Reid then stated that he would write Mr. Flood requesting the hearing.

Throughout the meeting, Mr. Reid appeared to be nervous and quite concerned about the rumors that were circulating in Cleburne.

Mr. Buie encouraged Mr. Reid to promptly request the hearing from Mr. Flood so that the rumors could possibly be eliminated.

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The meeting concluded at approximately 7:40 p.m. Mr. Reid expressed his thanks to Mr. Buie and myself for taking the time to visit with him.

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-PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL-

April 8, 1977

Mr. Paul Ernst, Director Registration and Subscription National Council, B.S.A. North Brunswick, New Jersey 08902

Dear Paul:

The enclosed statement regarding Larry Reid should complete our report to you.

As outlined in my statement, Mr. Reid will probably challenge the charges. I will contact you at such time if this occurs.

Sincerely

T. J. Pan Houten

Director of Field Services

TJVH:mrh

cc: Jack Keeton

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MEMORANDUM

Around 9:00 A.M. on Thursday, March 31, 1977 I received a telephone call from Mr. Gene Buie, District Chairman of the Santa Fe District.

Mr. Buie stated that he had just received a phone call from Larry Reid. Mr. Reid was very upset and crying and told Mr. Buie that he was going to kill himself. Mr. Buie reasoned with Mr. Reid but did not know if he (Buie) was being heard. The conversation ended with Mr. Reid again saying he was going to kill himself.

I then called Ed Rogers, District Executive of Santa Fe District and asked Ed to try and locate Mr. Reid.

Ed was in Glen Rose and left immediately for Cleburne. Ed alerted the police and I told them of the situation. A short time later Ed found Mr. Reid and in conversation with Rod Cotton managed to calm Mr. Reid down.

When Mr. Buie and I met with Mr. Reid on Tuesday, April 5, 1977, Mr. Reid stated that he had acquired a gun and was about to commit suicide. However, after he thought about it he changed his mind.

T. VanHouten

Director of Field Service

TJVH: jw

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March 17, 1977

Mr. Larry W. Reid 308 North Walnut Cleburne, Texas 76031

Dear Mr. Reid:

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.

You should inderstand that BSA leadership 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 leadership which BSA seeks to provide for American youth. Please also understand that this decision and the reasons for it will be maintained as confidential.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed, please write to me, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA leader should be granted or reinstated.

Sincerely yours,

Lloyd H. Flood Council President

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On Thursday 3/10/77 & laarned from my wife that mother of scout in The Ed. Reeds troops had called stating she had bearned from her son that Larry Reid had sexually molested her son (age 12) while on a trip to the Easter Pageant in Lawton, Oklahoma last year. The Said she went to the Johnson county District attourney to press Colarges against Larry Reid but was told they couldn't, since the alleged offence occured in alchama a questioned my son; (age 15) to see if he knew anything about it. He said that Larry han made advances toward him on one occasion while on a fishing trip together, He said he protested and called Larry a "Queer" and that Larry apologized and said he was sorry and would not do it again socied that occarly all 1. . . Yarah 211

incidents that also pavolved 2 other boys in the troop, but he did not name the boys. He also was of the belief that two or there other boys have left the troops because of Larry Reid being connected with it. I have been aware that Larry seldom, if ever, dated or associated with women of his age, but never thought of him having homose qual tandencies. If these charges are love, and I believe they probably are, I am for asking Larry Reid for his resignation from scouting and pray that he will seeke professional help. May God help us, 5.M.-T-811

All I know is what my loop told me. Stories about pato, funny remarks, and dity gins. I o my knowledge nothing has happened around me. One hay who transferred from Troop # 811 told about some pictures another hay took at the last Easter Padgent (1976). I called this house house to talk to him. His mather asked what I wanted and I told her I was checking on farry because he was joining our troop. His mather said her some stories to her about have. She said not to use their name, no matter what. Later when I talked to the hoy he denied having any hut offered some stories.

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as I say I can only offer what I have been told to me by my loop.

To whom It May Concern: 3/11/27

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Mar. 12, 1971

Mrt. Vienkoutine, Here is my son's statement about Jarry Roid. Flease do not use my son's name unlies necessary

Thank you.

I am now it ups all but the happened nutured was 11. I am a member of troop 675. Sast laster at the easter pagent we were camped on the side of a hill when Jarry Reid akel the side who sleep baside hem, witch I did we were in sleeping bago. Jarry Reid woke me the in the middle at the night the with the his hand down the front of my pants playing with me he asked me if it lethered me and I said uper so he stoppid.

Mar 12 1977