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Mr. James C. Dalton Scout Executive Indian Waters Council, No. 553

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: RALPH R. STATEN

Dear Jim:

Thank you for the material you recently sent, concerning the above named individual. This is most belieful to us, so that we have a complete file.

I presume you have already discussed this matter with Dave Park our Corporate Attorney. If you have not done so, I would suggest you do so immediately, so that he can help you with this case.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I may be of further service.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director Registration Service

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cc: Southeast Region

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA COLUMBIA DIVISION

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guardian of a minor over the age of fourteen years, and others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs.

vs.

Indian Waters Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America, Inc., Karen Ellis, Ralph Staten, unknown BEQ Batallion Sergeant Major, unknown Brigade Sergeant Major, unknown Brigade Commander of the United States Army,

Defendants.

ANN A. BIRCH, CLERK COLUMBIA. S. C.

ANSWERS TO RULE 16(b)
INTERROGATORIES

3 89-2540-6

TO: Defendants above-named:

The Plaintiffs, through their undersigned attorney, do hereby submit the following Answers to Interrogatories under Rule 16(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

A. State with particularity what you contend Defendants did, or failed to do, which entitles you to obtain the relief you seek in this action?

Prior to gaining his majority Plaintiff was a boy scout under the supervision and control of the Defendants during scouting activities and while upon Fort Jackson. While under the Defendants' custody, care and control, the Plaintiff was instructed by the Defendant Staten, acting on behalf of the other Defendants, to engage in certain activities including the removal of the Plaintiff's clothing, the

into the Plaintiff's body. These activities have caused the Plaintiff enormous emotional trauma which continues to disturb him mentally.

B. Describe in detail all laws, acts having the force and effect of laws, code, regulations and legal principles, standards and customs of usage, which you contend are applicable to this action?

Plaintiffs contend that the Defendants have violated the common laws of the State of South Carolina respecting negligence, contract, battery, and other causes of action. Plaintiffs contend their rights under the United States Constitution have been violated and that they are entitled to redress.

More specifically, the Plaintiffs cite the authority of the following cases:

- Agents of the Federal Bureau of

 Narcotics, 43 U.S. 388, 29 L.Ed.2d
 619, 91 S.Ct. 1999 (1971)

 authorizing the recovery of
 damages from Federal agents for
 violation of Fourth Amendment
 rights;
- b. <u>Carlson vs. Green</u>, 446 U.S. 14, 64
 L.Ed.2d 15, 100 S.Ct. 1468 (1980),
 allowing recovery against Federal

allowing recovery against Federal officers for Constitutional invasions;

- C. State the full names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all witnesses whose testimony you may use at the trial of this case and describe the issues to which that testimony may relate?
 - a .

Columbia, South Carolina;

- the issues of liability and damages.
- b.
 Columbia, South Carolina
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- c.
 address unknown;
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D. Identify by full names, address, and telephone number each person whom you expect to call as an expert witness at the trial of this case, and, as to each expert so identified, state the subject matter on which he is expected

to testify, the substance of the facts and opinions to which he is expected to testify, and the summary for the grounds of each opinion.

- l. Plaintiff expects to utilize the testimonies of a licensed psychiatrist or psychologist, who has not yet been chosen, to testify concerning the psychological damages caused the Plaintiff as a result of the experiences he endured
- E. If you contend that you have been injured or damaged, describe said injuries and damages in detail and list the elements of damages for which you contend you are entitled to recover and the measure by which you contend the same should be computed.
 - l. Emotional distress One
 million dollars
 (\$1,000,000.00).
 - 2. Public humiliation and embarrassment One Million dollars (\$100,000.00).

- 3. Medical and psychological expenses in an amount as yet undetermined.
- 4. Physical pain and suffering Fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00).
- 5. Injury to reputation and standing One mullion dollars (\$1,000,000.00).
- 6. Future emotional distressOne million dollars(\$1,000,000.00).
- 7. Future public humiliation and embarrassment Five-hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00).
- 8. Future medical and psychological expenses and an amount is yet undetermined.
- 9. Reduced earning capacity One hundred chousand
 dollars (\$100,000.00).
- 10. Future damages of reputation Five-hundred

thousand dollars (\$500,000.00).

- ll. Future and permanent mental and emotional impairment and disability

 Two million dollars
 (\$2,000,000.00).
- F. State the full name, address, and telephone number of all persons or legal entities who have a subrogation interest in the cause of action set forth in your complaint, and state the basis and extent of said interest.

None.

G. Outline in detail the discovery you anticipate you will pursue in this case and state the time you estimate it will take you to complete each item of same, along with an explanation of how you compute said times.

Plaintiff intends to serve interrogatories upon the Defendants after having received Defendants' answers and Rule 16(b) Answers to Interrogatories. Plaintiff estimates this will take some three months, allowing time for service and answering.

After receipt of all interrogatories, Plaintiff will wish to depose all of the Defendants, together with several Defendants' witnesses. Plaintiff feels this can be accomplished within ninety days (90) from the receipt of Defendants' Answers to Interrogatories.

H. Do you wish this case to be tried by a jury or non-jury?

- Plaintiff requests jury trial.
- I. Not Applicable.
- J. State with particularity the basis or reason for bringing the action in the division in which it is filed.

At the time of the commission of the acts complained of, all of the parties and the majority of the witnesses were residents of Richland County, South Carolina. The acts complained of were committed within the Columbia Division and the convenience of the parties and the witnesses is most suitable for trial in the Columbia Division.

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John O'Leary

Atrorney for Plaintiffs

Columbia, S.C. 29201

September 28, 1989

VERIFICATION

The undersigned, being first duly sworn, represents that he has read the foregoing Answers to Interrogatories pursuant to Rule 16(b) and knows the contents thereof; and that the allegations contained therein are true of his own knowledge, except as to those matters stated upon information and belief and as to those matters, he believes them to be true.

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SWORN to before me this

17/4 day of October, 1989.

Notary Public for South Carolina

My commission expirés: 1. 14-96

Muite States District Court

..... DISTRICT OF _____

SOUTH CAROLINA COLUMBIA DIVISION

a minor over the age of fourteen years, and others similarly situated,

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

CASE NUMBER:

3 89-2540-6

Indian Waters Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America, Inc., Karen Ellis, Ralph Staten, unknown BEQ Batallion Sergeant Major, unknown Brigade Sergeant

fajor, unknown Bridade Commander of the Inited States Army,

TO: (Name and Address of Defendant)

olumbia, South Carolina 29201

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ATIN A. BIRCH, CLERK COLUMBIA, S. C.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to file with the Clerk of this Court and serve upon

'NTIFF'S ATTORNEY (name and address)

ohn O'Leary

lumbia, South Carolina 29201-29202

an answer to the complaint which is herewith served upon you, within $\frac{\text{Ewenty}}{\text{E20Y}}$ days after service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

ANN A. BIRCH

DATE

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BY DEPUTY CLERK

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURRIGINAL FILED FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA COLUMBIA DIVISION OCT 1 8 1989

legal
guardian of
a minor over the age of
fourteen years, and others
similarly situated,

ARN A. BIRCH, CLERK

Plaintiffs,

3 89-2540-6

vs.

COMPLAINT
NEGLIGENCE
PLAINTIFF REQUESTS
JURY TRIAL

Indian Waters Council, Inc.)
Boy Scouts of America, Inc.)
Karen Ellis, Ralph Staten,)
unknown BEQ Battallion)
Sergeant Major, Unknown)
Brigade Sergent Major,)
Brigade Commmander of the)
United States Army,)

Defendants.

THE Plaintiff, ABOVE-NAMED, complaining of the Defendants would herein show into this Honorable Court:

FOR A FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(NEGLIGENCE)

- l. That this action arises under the inited States Constitution, specifically the Fourth Amendment thereof.
- 2. That this court has jurisdiction of this cause and the provisions of the United States Code, Title 28, \$1331, \$1332, \$1343 and \$1441(c).

- 3. That the, Law, as modified by the Constitution and statuetes of the soverign state of South Carolina, is not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the United States and should be extended to govern this District Court of the United States in the trial and disposition of this cause, particularly with respect to such common law adoptions as negligence, contract, battery, privacy, emotional outrage and fraud, amoung others.
- 4. That the Plaintiff is a citizen and resident of the County of Richland, State of South Carolina, and is a minor over the age of fourteen years and brings this action by his legal guardian,
- 5. That, upon information and belief, the Defendant Indian Waters Council, Inc., is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the state of South Carolina and maintains offices and agents in the county and state aforesaid for the purpose of carrying on it's business.
- 6. That, upon information and belief, the Defendant Boy Scouts of America, Inc., is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of one of the scates of the United States of America and maintains offices and agents in the county and state aforesaid for the purpose of carrying on it's business.

- 7. That at all cimes herein relevant, the Defendant, Ralph Staten, was a resident of the county and state aforesaid.
- 8. That the Defendants, Karen Ellis, unknown BEQ Batallion Sergeant Major, unknown Brigade Sergeant Major, and unknown Brigade Commander, were at all times here and relevant residents of the county and state aforesaid, and citizens and residents of the United States of America, and were acting under color and authority of the laws of the United States of America.
- 9. That at all times herein relevant the Defendant, Ralph Staten, was a scout master for and acting in that capacity and in the capacity of an agent and servant of the Defendants, Indian Waters Council, Inc., and The Boy Scouts of America, Inc, and was acting under the color and authority of the laws of the United States of America as a sergeant in the U.S. Army.
- 10. That at all times herein relevant, the Plaintiff, was a minor entrusted by his parents to the care and control of each of the Defendants for moral nurture, recreation, edification, and safekeeping.
- ll. That at all times herein relevant each of the Defendants owed a special duty to the minor Plaintiff and stood in a fiduciary relationship, in loco parentis, to the minor Plaintiff.

about August, 1986, the Defendant, Ralph Staten, acting as the agent and servant of the other Defendants herein, did on several divers occassions take the minor Plaintiff and other young boys under Defendants' care on various scouting outings and activities. As a part of these activities sponsored by the Defendants, Plaintiff and others were encouraged to play together in the nude, photographs were taken of them in the nude, Plaintiff and others were shown sexually explicit magazines and movies, lotion was rubbed onto the Plaintiff and others while nude, by the Defendant Staten, said Defendant also rubbed and massaged the bottoms and the privates of the Plaintiff and others, pictures were drawn upon the bottoms of the Plaintiff and others, and a magic marker was inserted in their anuses.

- 13. That Defendants were careless, negligent, grossly negligent, wreckless, willfull and wanton in one or more of the following particulars:
 - a. In encouraging, allowing and participating in activities which the Defendants knew or should have known would have been disapproved of by Plaintiff's parents;

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- 13. That Defendants were careless, negligent, grossly negligent, wreckless, willfull and wanton in one or more of the following particulars:
 - a. In encouraging, allowing and participating in activities which the Defendants knew or should have known would have been disapproved of by Plaintiff's parents:

- b. In failing to obtain the consent of Plaintiff's parents for any of these activities;
- c. In failing to inform the Plaintiff's parents of any of the aforesaid activities;
- d. In concealing said activities from Plaintiff's parents;
- e. In instructing, coercing, and threatening the Plaintiff from informing Plaintiff's parents of said activities;
- f. In allowing Plaintiff's involvement with said activities when Defendants knew, or should have known through the exercise of due diligence, these activities were dangerous to and likely to cause damage to the

Plainciff's emotional and sexual development and

- · health;
- g. In that the Defendants

 either knew, or through the
 exercise of due diligence
 should have known, that
 these activities endangered
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 damage to the Plaintiff's
 moral develoment;
- h. In that the Defendants knew or should have known that these activities were likely to cause present and future humigliation and embarrassment to the Plaintiff.
- aforestated acts done by the Defendants or on their behalfs, the Plaintiff has suffered grave emotional distress, public humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, loss of self-esteem, physical pain and suffering, loss of standing amoung his friends and community, and that in the

district, upon information and belief, the Plaintiff will suffer additional emotional distress, humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, reduced wages, reduced earning ability, injury to standing amoung friends and community, and will suffer permanent mental and emotional impairment and disability.

FOR A SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION (NEGLIGENCE)

- 15. That Plaintiff repeats and reiterates each and every alligation containing his preceeding causes of action as those said forth herein verbatim.
- 16. That the Defendant Indian Water Councils, Inc., and the Defendant Boy Scouts of America, Inc., were willful, wanton, wreckless, grossly negligent, negligent and careless in one or more of the following particulars:
 - a. In failing to properly screen and select scout leaders with direct supervision over children including the Defendant Staten:

- b. In failing to properly train
 boy scout leaders including
 the Defendant Staten;
- c. In failing to provide proper supervision of boy scout leaders including the Defendant Staten;
- d. In failing to have and exercise proper review and disciplinary procedures concerning scout leaders including the Defendant Staten:
- e. In the recention of scout leaders including the Defendant Staten;
- f. In failing to remove the Defendant Staten after Defendants knew or should have known of his problems with alcohol and emotional problems;

- g. In failing to exercise due diligence to discover Defendant Staten's sexual deviancy by psychological testing or the application of psychological profiles;
- h. In failing to provide adaquate adult supervision during the scouting activities complained of above buy not requiring the attendance or participation of at least two or more adults during such activities;
- that scout leaders positions were attractive to sexual deviants and not providing notice to the Plaintiff or other scouts that scout leaders had no authority to allow or encourage certain activities;

plaintiff or other scouts that they were encouraged to report such activities without fear of reprisal or embarrassment, anonymously if need be, and that they would be protected in doing so.

17. That as a direct result and consequence of the aforestated acts done by the Defendants or on their behalf, the Plaintiff has suffered grave emotional distress, public humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, loss of self-esteem, physical pain and suffering, loss of standing amoung his friends and community, and that in the future, upon information and belief, the Plaintiff will suffer additional emotional distress, humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, reduced wages, reduced earning ability, injury to scanding amoung friends and community, and will suffer permanent mental and emotional impairment and disability.

FOR A THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION
(NEGLIGENCE)

- 18. That Plaintiffs here and repeat and reiterate each and every allegation contained in their preceding causes of actions as though said forth herein verbatim.
- Batallion Serguant Major, unknown Brigade Sergeant Major, and unknown prigade Commander, were willful, wanton, wreckless, grossly negligent, negligent and careless in one or more of the following particulars:
 - a. In recommending and encouraging the Defendant taten in scouting and other youth activities without proper screening;
 - b. In failing to provide proper supervision of the Defendant Staten in his activities with boys under his supervision upon Fort Jackson:
 - c. In failing to and exercise proper review and disciplinary proceedure concerning the Defendant

Staten in his supervision and conduct with boys on Fort Jackson;

- d. In the retention in the United States Army of the Defendant Staten;
- e. In failing to remove the Defendant Staten from youth activities after the Defendants knew or should have known of his problems with alcohol and emotional problems;
- f. In failing to exercise due diligence to discovered Defendant Staten's sexual deviancy by psychological testing or the application of psychological profile;
- g. In failing to provide adaquate adult supervision during the scouting activities complained of

above by not providing for the attendence or participation of at least two or more adults during such activities;

- h. In having known that authority positions over minor children were attracted to sexual deviance and not providing notice to the Plaintiff or other persons under adult supervision at Fort Jackson that adult leaders had no authority to allow or encourage certain activities;
- i. In failing to inform the Plaintiff or other youth under the supervision of the Defendant Staten that they were encouraged to report such activities as complained of without fear

embarrassment, anonymously
if need be, and that they
would be proceeded in doing
so.

- j. In farling to inspect the living quarters and activities of the Defendant Staten and in farling to spervise the Defendant Staten so as to discover his sexual deviancy and elicit activities conducted with minor children.
- 20. That as a direct result and consequence of the aforestated acts done by the Defendants or on their behalf, the Plaintiff has suffered grave emotional distress, public humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, loss of self-esteem, physical pain and suffering, loss of standing amoung his friends and community, and that in the future, upon information and belief, the Plaintiff will suffer additional emotional distress, humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, reduced wages, reduced earning ability, injury to scanding amoung friends and community, and will suffer permanent mental and emotional impairment and disability.

FOR A FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION (BREACH OF CONTRACT WITH FRAUDULENT INTENT)

- 21. Plaintiff here repeats and reiterates each and every alligation containing his preceding causes of action as said forth in verbatim.
- 22. That Plaintiff's parents entered into an agreement and understanding with the Defendants herein, whereby they promise to pay certain fees and costs and to undertake certain obligations, and in return Defendants promised and undertook to enroll the Plaintiff herein, in their scouting program, and to provide services incident to Plaintiff's scout membership, Plaintiff being unstood and intended by both parties as the third party beneficiary to this agreement.
- 23. That amoung the considerations for this contract were the promises and undertakings and representations of the Defendants that they would provide safe, proper and non-harmful adult supervision of the Plaintiff while in their care, that Plaintiff would be provided with both activities and instruction which would be wholesome, character building, moral, and usefully instructive, and that Defendants would refrain from any activities reasonably calculated to be damaging to the Plaintiff in any way.

- 24. That the Defendants failed to perform their promises and undertakings aforesaid by conducting activities in a manner as heretoforeset forth above.
- 25. That accompanying the breach of the aforementioned contract, the Defendants committed fraudulant acts by attempting to conceal and prevent Plaintiff's parents from discovering these breaches.
- Defendant's breach of the aforesaid contract, the Plaintiff has suffered grave emotional distress, public humiliation, loss of self-esteem, physical pain and suffering, loss of standing amoung his friends and community, and that in the future, upon information and belief, the Plaintiff will suffer additional emotional distress, humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, reduced wages, reduced earning ability, injury to standing amoung friends and community, and will suffer permanent mental and emotional impairment and disability.
- 27. That by reason of the fraudulant acts accompanying the breach of this contract by the Defendants, the Plaintiff is entitled to recover punitive damages of the Defendants.

FOR A FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION (BATTERY 1)

- 28. Plaintiff herein repeats and reiterates each and every alligation contained in his preceeding causes of action as though said forth here in verbatim.
- 29. That while under the care, guidance and supervision of all of the Defendants, the Defendant Staten did lay hands upon and rub the body of the Plaintiff as aforestated.
- 30. That the minor Plaintiff lacked capacity to consent thereto and this touching was offensive to Plaintiff's parents and beyond any authority given to the Defendants herein.
- Il. As a direct result and consequence of this battery upon the person of the Plaintiff, the Plaintiff has suffered grave emotional distress, public humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, loss of self-esteem, physical pain and suffering, loss of standing amoung his friends and community, and that in the future, upon information and belief, the Plaintiff will suffer additional emotional distress, humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, reduced wages, reduced earning ability, injury to standing amoung friends and community, and will suffer permanent mental and emotional impairment and disability.

FOR A SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION (BATTERY 2)

- 32. Plaintiff herein repeats and reiterates each and every allegation contained in his preceeding causes of actions as though set forth herein verbatim.
- 33. That the Defendants did directly or through their agents insert a magic marker into the Plaintiff's anus.
- 34. That the Plaintiff lacked capacity to consent to this touching which was offensive to Plaintiff's parents and beyond any authority authorized by them.
- bactery, the Plaintiff has suffered grave emotional distress, public humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, loss of self-esteem, physical pain and suffering, loss of standing amoung his friends and community, and that in the future, upon information and belief, the Plaintiff will suffer additional emotional distress, humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, reduced wages, reduced earning ability, injury to standing amoung friends and community, and will suffer permanent mental and emotional impairment and disability.

FOR A SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION
(INVASION OF PRIVACY)

- 36. Plaintiff herein repeats and reflecates each and every alligation containing his proceeding causes of action as though set forth herein verbatim.
- 37. That at all times herein relevant, the minor Plaintiff, through his parents and lawful guardians, had a reasonable expectation of privacy in his bodily orfices and sexual organs.
- 38. That this right to privacy was violated by the Defendants in one or more of the following manners:
 - a. In viewing Plaintiff's person in the nude;
 - b. In causing the Plaintiff to be seen nude by other persons;
 - c. In touching Plaintiff's nude person;
 - d. In causing Plaintiff to be seen by others being touched while nude;
 - e. In inserting an object into Plaintiff's anus;

- f. In causing Plaintiff to be seen having an object inserted into Plaintiff's anus;
- g. In photographing the Plaintiff in the nude;
- h. In viewing and causing others to view photographs of the Plaintiff in the nude.
- Plaintiff has suffered grave emotional distress, public humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, loss of self-esteem, physical pain and suffering, loss of standing amoung his friends and community, and that in the future, upon information and belief, the Plaintiff will suffer additional emotional distress, humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, reduced wages, reduced earning ability, injury to standing amoung friends and community, and will suffer permanent mental and emotional impairment and disability.

FOR AN EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(EMOTIONAL OUTRAGE)

- 40. Plaintiff herein repents and reiterates each and every allegation contained in his preceeding causes of action as though said forth herein verbatim.
- 41. That the acts forestated are so outrageous, offensive, dispicable and reprehensible as to violate the standards of conduct of civilized people and shock the concious of a reasonable person.
- 42. That Defendants knew, or by the exercise of due diligence should have known, that these acts were likely to cause extreme and severe emotional stress and disturbance to the Plaintiff.
- Defendant's negligent, grossly negligent, wreckless, willful and wanton actions the Plaintiff has suffered grave emotional distress, public humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, loss of self-esteem, physical pain and suffering, loss of standing amoung his friends and community, and that in the fucure, upon information and belief, the Plaintiff will suffer additional emotional distress, humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, reduced wages, reduced earning ability, injury to standing amoung friends and community, and will suffer permanent mental and emotional impairment and disability.

FOR A MINTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(FRAUD)

- 44. Plaintiff herein repeats and resterates each and every allegation contained in his preceding causes of actions as said forth here in verbatim.
- 45. That Defendants did impliedly or explicitly represent unto the Plaintiff that the Defendant Staten did have the authority to allow and to require the Plaintiff to engage in activities not exclusive of those aforestated.
- 46. That this representation was false, Plaintiff's parents have given no such authority, and this was known by the Defendants to be false.
- 47. That it was the intention of the Defendants that the Defendant Staten have the apparent authority to allow, authorize or require such actions, as he might.
- 48. That because of Plaintiff's youth, naivity and lack of capacity, he was ignorant of the falsity of this apparent authority and relied there upon to his detriment.
- 49. That as a direct and result consequence of this reliance the Plaintiff suffered grave emotional distress, public humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological

expenses, loss of self-esteem, physical pain and suffering, loss of standing amoung his friends and community, and that in the future, upon information and belief, the Plaintiff will suffer additional emotional discress, humiliation and embarrassment, medical and psychological expenses, reduced wages, reduced earning ability, injury to standing amoung friends and community, and will suffer permanent mental and emotional impairment and disability.

FOR A TENTH CAUSE OF ACTION (VIOLATION OF CIVIL RIGHTS)

- 50. Plaintiffs herein repeat and reiterate each and every allegation contained in their preceding causes of action as though said forth herein verbatim.
- That the Defendants, Ralph Staten, Karen Ellis, unknown BEQ Batallion Sergeant Major, unknown Brigade Sergeant Major, unknown Brigade Commander, did commit the acts complained of above under the color and authority of the laws of the United States of America and did jointly and severly cause the Plaintiff to be violated in his rights under the Fourth Amendment of the United States Constitution to be secure in his person against unreasonable searches and seizures, and did deny his rights under the Fifth Amendment of the United States Constitution to not be deprived of liberty or property without due process of law.

October 27, 1989



No. 553
Boy Scouts of America
1825 Gadsden Street
P.O. Box 144
Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Francis H. Herndon President
Ted Schmidt Commissioner
James C. Dalton Scout Executive

Mr. Paul Ernst
Director
Registration and Fulfillment Service
Boy Scouts of America
P. O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

Dear Paul.

On Thursday, October 26th, I was delivered the attached civil action summons. This civil case results from a previous military charge and conviction of Rafph R. Staten, Fort Jackson, S. C.

We previously mailed the complete volume of the court proceedings to your office in 1986. I am enclosing copies of initial documents contained in our file reference to this case.

Please contact me and provide any support direction you feel I need to pursue. I have given a copy of the summons to our attorney James C. Leventis, Columbia, S. C. 29211 for his review and suggestions.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Jim Dalton Scout Executive

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Enclosure

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August 18, 1987

Mr. James C. Dalton Scout Executive Indian Waters Council, No. 553

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Ralph Staten

Dear Jim:

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 Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director Registration Service

PE/mdw

cc: Southeast Region

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ERIN O'RILEY



James C. Daiton
Scout Executive

Indian Waters Council Boy Scouts of America P.O. Box 144 Columbia, S.C. 29202

318 Challedon Ct. Columbia, S.C. 29210

June 30, 1987

Mr. James C. Dalton Scout Executive Indian Waters Council, No. 553

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Ralph Randolph Staten

Dear Jim:

Thank you very much for sending us the Confidential Record Sheet for the abovenamed individual. This is most helpful to us and will give us all the information necessary for identifying him should he attempt to register in some other location at a later time.

If you feel there is any other information which I should have to complete our file, please do not hesitate to send it. Otherwise, I feel we have the necessary information for refusal of any later registration attempts.

Please let me know if I may be of help to you in any other way.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst. Director Registration & Subscription Service

PE/cre

June 22, 1987

Office of the Staff Judge Advocate ATTN: CPT Cargill

Fort Jackson, SC 29207

Dear Capt. Cargill:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, we request a trial transcript of the trial related to Staff Sergeant Ralph Staten. The trial took place at Fort Jackson on or about January 9, 10, 11, 1987. We would appreciate receiving the transcript at the earliest possible date.

We are willing to pay all search and reproduction costs for the transcript. However, being a non-profit organization, we request a waiver of the fees.

Please mail the transcript to my attention at the above address, marked "Personal and Confidential."

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Howard, Sr.

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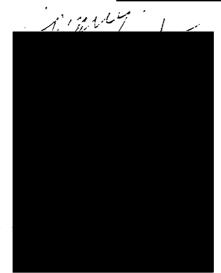
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June 4, 1987

Mr. James C. Dalton Scout Executive Indian Waters Council, No.

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

Ralph Staten

Dear Jim:

We are again following up with you concerning the above-named individual. I am enclosing another Confidential Record Sheet which I would like to have completed so we may identify Mr. Staten should he try to register in some other council.

We would also like to know the outcome of the action against him so that we have a complete file for future use.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director

Registration & Subscription Service

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March 6, 1987

Mr. James C. Dalton Scout Executive Indian Waters Council, No. 553

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Ralph Staten

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This is another follow-up concerning the above-named individual. We have not received a Confidential Record Sheet for Mr. Staten and I am enclosing another one for your use. We really need this information so that we may identify Mr. Staten should be attempt to register in some other location.

I would also like to have the outcome of any legal action if this has now taken place. This will certainly strengthen our file and enable us to refuse registration and protect the youth registered with the Boy Scouts of America.

Let us know if we may be of any help to you.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director Registration, Subscription & Statistical Service

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December 17, 1986

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October 17, 1986



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Mr. Paul Ernst Director of Registration Service Boy Scouts of America 1325 Walnut Hill Lane Irving, Texas 75038-3096

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Ralph Staten was the Scoutmaster of Troop 388, sponsored by Windsor United methodist Church of Columbia, S. C. I have followed the instructions outlined in the "Procedures for Maintaining Standards of Leadership." A letter (copy attached) has been delivered, as advised, and properly recorded. I have met with the Pastor of the church and the troop committee, and I am pleased to inform you that proper procedures were followed initially when Staten was selected as Scoutmaster. He had full approval of the church and the committee, including the Pastor, Reverend Richard Allen.

I have personally met with the committee on two occasions. Interim leadership has been established and the official board of the church voted to continue sponsorship. The committee is currently working to secure a new Scoutmaster with the leadership of the Scouting Coordinator appointed by the church.

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October 24, 1986

Mr. James C. Dalton Scout Executive Indian Waters Council, No. 553

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Sincerely,

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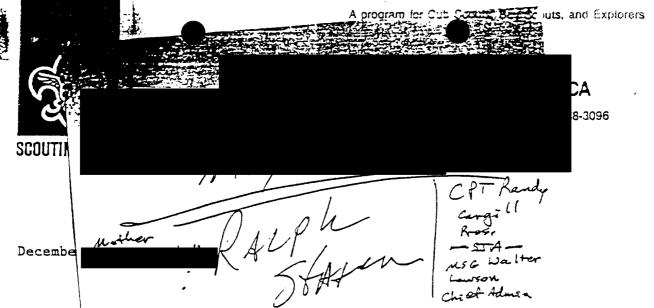
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