

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET

REGISTRATION SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Date Sep 26, 1990

Social Security Number _____

Full name Raymond G. W. Lawrence
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address _____

City Edgemont State SD ZIP 57758

Date of birth Oct 8, 1929 (This is important and should be exact.)

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

Religion Episcopal? Nationality English Accent

Occupation Episcopal Priest?

Education _____

Weight 180-190? Height 5'7"-5'8" Race Caucasian

Color of hair Brown-grey Color of eyes _____

Outstanding characteristics or interests English Accent

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

Spouse's name _____

Scouting connections:

Unit No.	City	State	Position	Date registered	Date resigned
S-27	Edgemont	SD	CC	Feb 8, 1990	Sep 24, 1990

Special recognition Says he has received Eagle - OAVigil

Suspended or denied registration for following reasons Conversation with Paul Ernst

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 Charles D... Scout Executive

Council Black Hills Area 695

CONFIDENTIAL

OCT 17 1990

F. STARON

November 26, 1990

Mr. Clark Israel
Scout Executive
Black Hills Area Council, No. 695

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: RAYMOND G.W. LAWRENCE

Dear Clark:

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: North Central Region

READY TO FILE
NOV 26 1990
ERIN O'RILEY

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RECEIVED JUL 02 1990



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

National Office
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079, Irving, Texas 75015-2079

June 27, 1990

Mr. Clark Israel
Scout Executive
Black Hills Area Council, No. 695

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: REVEREND RAYMOND G. LAURENCE
& [REDACTED]

Dear Clark:

We received a telephone call from Doug Stewart of the Police Department indicating some concerns and problems related to the above named individuals. We would like more information concerning this matter and wondered if you could supply this to us. We would appreciate anything you can give us that would help us to determine whether anyone should be refused registration in the future.

Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: North Central Region

Paul - Sorry for delay but I wanted to get a photo -
Clark

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NOV 20 1990

JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

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FOR FILE
OCT 04 1990
A. GRAVES

COLORED

October 4, 1990

Mr. Clark Israel
Scout Executive
Black Hills Area Council, No. 695

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
REV. RAYMOND G. LAURENCE, & ETC.

Dear Clark:

We had communication on August 8, 1990, and you indicated you would send me a record sheet and a letter concerning the above named individual, who was accused of various actions.

We really need the material so that we can proceed further, and make certain we can refuse registration to individuals who should not be registered with our organization.

Thank for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service

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cc: North Central Region

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SE 695
Will call
CNCU IS SENIOR
REAR STREET
AND LTR.

June 27, 1990

Mr. Clark Israel
Scout Executive
Black Hills Area Council, No. 695

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: REVERAND RAYMOND G. LAURENCE
& JIM-JOHN COLE

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Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: North Central Region

READY TO FILE
JUN 27 1990
ERIN O'RILEY

CALL BACK REQUESTED _____

COUNCIL # _____

PHONE NO: _____

On-Line _____

Batch _____

CALLER: Doug Stewart

POSITION: POLICE DEPT

TYPE OF PROBLEM

REGISTRATION _____

VETERANS _____

DEBIT _____

CREDIT _____

PROGRAM CODE

& UNIT #

RENEWAL DATE

TRANSMITTAL #

ID #

FILM #

LAURENCE
 REV. RAYMOND G. LAURENCE
JIM-KAHN COLE
SPRING CITY
SOUTH DAKOTA
50027 817466
B/y - 10/29 CO # 695

SOLUTION:

NAME P. Ernst
 DATE 6-13-90
 TIME _____



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OREGON TRAIL COUNCIL/Boy Scouts of America
2525 Centennial Blvd. • Eugene, Oregon 97401



August 3, 1990

Scout Registration Service
National Office/BSA
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P. O. Box 152079
Irving, TX 75015-2079

Dear Friends:

This letter is sent concerning a man named John Cole who identifies with and attaches himself to Scouting in a dishonest way. In 1989 we learned that he was involved in a very small community in southern Oregon called Myrtle Creek.

I wrote a letter to Oregon Scout Executives at that time describing him and his Scouting activities as we knew them. Several years before he hung around one of our camps and passed himself off as a retired British Army officer. At that time he was living in the McKenzie Bridge area, a small community in our council. He has spent time with the Forest Service employees, and taking some small items of Forest Service equipment for himself. He has never registered in Scouting in our council that I know of.

He surfaced again to our knowledge this week ⁶⁹⁵ when one of our staff received a call, August 2, 1990, from the Black Hills Council where he has been involved in their summer camp, and just this week conducted a blessing of a cross in camp. Someone felt that something was not right in this case. I understand that council called the Registration Service to see if he was on the confidential file, and was told there was nothing in the file. I understand he did register with that council. Perhaps you have heard from them on him. He passed himself off as an Episcopal priest. The attached letter pretty well summarizes our experience with him, etc.

Please let me know if I can be helpful in any other way to help protect Boy Scout organizations from this person.

Sincerely,

Jerry Dempsey
Scout Executive

[Handwritten notes and scribbles]
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JD:b

Enclosure: December 11, 1989 letter



OREGON TRAIL COUNCIL / Boy Scouts of America
2525 Centennial Blvd. • Eugene, Oregon 97401

December 11, 1989

Dear Oregon Scout Executives,

This letter is prompted by a call from Myrtle Creek Police Department about one of Oregon's less prominent citizens named John Cole, alias Raymond W. Lawrence, sometimes W. G. Lawrence, Dr., Professor, Sir, etc.

This fellow comes close to the great imposter himself. He sometimes claims to be a retired British Army officer, an acquaintance of Baden Powell, and a great Scouter. He avoids registration, but does like to wear the uniform. His British accent is pretty convincing, but sometimes it is better than others.

Law enforcement checks show that his driver's license list Myrtle Creek as his address, however, he is not living there at this time. He has fooled Boy Scout staff, ministers, legions of volunteers, the U.S. Forest Service, and others. He has spent time, I am told, in a mental institution and enjoys stealing even when he has money to pay for something. He has a stout build, in his 60's, and is a compulsive liar. He has sometimes lived in very small rural communities.

Have a good day.

Jerry Dempsey
Scout Executive

JD:klb

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