

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

DATE May 22, 1967

Full Name Richard J. Gruber  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address 4682 Leadwell Le.

City Cincinnati State Ohio

Age 34 (This is important and should be exact)

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

Religion C Nationality \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation Laborer

Education \_\_\_\_\_

Weight 240 Color White Height 6-4

Color of hair Brown Color of eyes \_\_\_\_\_

Outstanding characteristics or interests Swathy complexion

Married or single Single Children \_\_\_\_\_  
(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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Special recognition \_\_\_\_\_

Recommended for Confidential File for following reasons:

See letter and statements on f.l.e.

STILL  
SINGLE  
10-14-79  
Produced Pursuant to Court Order

GC-294-34

Signed Basil F. July  
Scout Executive

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Richard J. Gruber  
4682 Leadwell Lane  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45242  
May 6, 1988

RECEIVED  
MAY 13 1988  
D. PARK

Mr. Dave Parks  
National Council  
Boy Scouts of America  
P. O. Box 152079  
Irving, Texas 75015

This is to notify the Boy Scouts of America that I wish to appeal your decision to remove me as a member of the Boy Scouts of America.

Back in 1967 I was also asked to give up being a member of the Boy Scout of America. A letter was sent to our council, I was never saw that letter or who sent it. I was reregistered in February of 1983 when the local council could not show why I could not be regristered. I would like to know why I was denied regristering in 1988.

Sincerly yours,

*Richard J. Gruber*  
Richard J. Gruber

cc; Joseph Quick  
Stan Chesley attorney

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WATS CALL FORM

CALL BACK REQUESTED \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL # 438

PHONE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

CALLER: JOE QUICK

POSITION: SE

TYPE OF PROBLEM

REGISTRATION \_\_\_\_\_

VETERANS \_\_\_\_\_

EXPLORING \_\_\_\_\_

SCOUTING \_\_\_\_\_

BOYS' LIFE \_\_\_\_\_

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TRANSMITTAL # \_\_\_\_\_

FILM # \_\_\_\_\_

~~PRINTS~~ ~~PRINTS~~

GRUBER

CNCL MET WITH GRUBER AND DELIVERED LETTER

GRUBER'S BROTHER IS POLICEMAN THREATENING SUIT AGAINST BSA BECAUSE GRUBER MAY LOSE JOB. REFERRED TO PARK FOR ACTION BY COUNCIL

NAME Print

DATE 4-28-88

TIME \_\_\_\_\_

R/S-433  
3/13/86-cTf-567r

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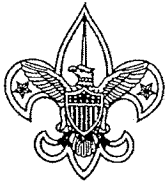
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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

COUNCIL

No. 438 Date 3-22-88

*Chavez*

REFER TO YOUR TRANSMITTAL REPORT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

REGISTRATION, SUBSCRIPTION  
AND STATISTICAL SERVICE

**CREDIT NOTICE**       **DEBIT NOTICE**

REGISTRATION Unit No. C3018 term 12 months

- 1 Leaders (\_\_\_\_\_ prepaid) @ \$\_\_\_\_\_ each. Received \$ 5.00 Required \$ 0  
(\_\_\_\_\_ transfer)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Members (\_\_\_\_\_ transfer) @ \$\_\_\_\_\_ each. Received \$\_\_\_\_\_ Required \$\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Members \_\_\_\_\_ Leaders listed on transmittal form \_\_\_\_\_ on application
- Transfers must pay \$.50 each. Expiration given \_\_\_\_\_ We have \_\_\_\_\_
- Not on transmittal report       Duplicate entry       No application received.
- Correction made per your letter/telephone call \_\_\_\_\_
- No reply to our defective registration notice dated \_\_\_\_\_
- Returning \_\_\_\_\_       Under Age       Over Age

**BOYS' LIFE** Term 12 months

- Paid for 1 subscriptions; listed \_\_\_\_\_ subscriptions Received \$ 6.60 Required \$ 0
- Incorrect fees: \_\_\_\_\_ subscriptions.       Back issues are not available.
- Please check attached copy. Pay debit—Use credit or return with copy of the roster showing corrections needed.

*Richard Gruber*

Please add or subtract the amount(s) indicated on your next transmittal in the proper column(s) and return the original.

<b>BILLING</b>	Tiger Cub	\$ _____		
	Cub Scout	\$ _____		
	Boy Scout	\$ _____	Leader	\$ _____
	Varsity Scout	\$ _____		Total \$ _____
	Explorer	\$ _____	Boys' Life	\$ _____
	Career Awareness Explorer	\$ _____		
<b>CREDITING</b>	Tiger Cub	\$ _____		
	Cub Scout	\$ _____		
	Boy Scout	\$ _____	Leader	\$ <u>5.00</u>
	Varsity Scout	\$ _____		Total \$ <u>11.60</u>
	Explorer	\$ _____	Boys' Life	\$ <u>6.60</u>
	Career Awareness Explorer	\$ _____		



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RICHARD GRUBER

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CO 438

C 3018

ID # 0516583

deleted from file  
3/9/88

PLEASE PER

as of 3-9-88  
no longer can  
register 3-9-88  
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NAME Print

DATE 8-21-86

TIME \_\_\_\_\_

R/S-433  
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Boy Scouts of America  
Troop 6



Pleasant Ridge  
Presbyterian Church

RESPOND TO:

[REDACTED]  
Cincinnati, OH 45202

7/17 L  
July 11, 1984

Mr. J. L. Tarr  
National Scout Executive  
Boy Scouts of America,  
National Headquarters  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
Irving, TX 75062-1296

Dear Mr. Tarr:

~~I am committee chairman of Troop 6, Cincinnati, Ohio. On July 4, 1984, while visiting my son at BSA Camp Hook, Carlisle, Ohio (operated by Moundbuilders Council), I was given some disturbing information concerning Richard J. Gruber, our present scoutmaster.~~

Tom Scott, camp director, (I understand that he is a paid scout official) and Roger Brummett, program director, told me that ~~approximately 24 years ago Mr. Gruber was caught engaging in a homosexual activity with a scout executive.~~ Mr. Scott told me that he had been authorized by his superior (not identified) to relay this information to me in my capacity as committee chairman. I ~~asked Messrs. Scott and Brummett for verification of this incident.~~ They told me that they personally had none except to the extent that they received the information from Joseph Quick of the Dan Beard Council. Additionally, they both informed me that National headquarters was fully aware of this situation with Mr. Gruber and that his name was on a list of "undesirables".

Mr. Scott was quite emphatic in his concern for the safety of our boys based on Mr. Gruber's background. Accordingly, in order that the committee may make a reasoned, informed judgment regarding Mr. Gruber, I ~~am formally requesting that National headquarters provide me with any and all information that you may have concerning Mr. Gruber.~~ Furthermore, I ~~am asking that you direct your local scout executive to provide any and all information he may have concerning Mr. Gruber.~~

Finally, I bring to your attention that ~~Mr. Gruber is registered with the scout organization.~~ Thus, if the information given to me by Messrs. Scott and Brummett is correct, I would like an explanation as to why it has not been provided to the troop committee before now.

Duty to God - Duty to Country

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PLEASE HANDLE PROMPTLY. J.L.T.

DATE 7/17/84 REF. # A-76

- J. L. ANGLIM 0400
- ROY E. BRADSHAW 0400
- M. GENE CRUSE 0400
- JULIAN DYKE 0400
- JACKSON L. GRADY 0400
- G. JAY HEIM 0221
- DAVID K. PARK 0400
- NORMAN E. SWAILS 0400
- ROBERT L. UNICH 0400
- Paul Ernst* 0108

FYI     RETURN     NO RETURN     FILE

PLEASE:

- Review and Comments to me
- For reply - copy of response to me

Prepare letter for my signature

Prepare letter for the President's signature

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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THANK YOU

J. L. TARR  
SUM # 0400

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. I look forward to an early response.

Very truly yours,

[REDACTED]  
Committee Chairman

cc: Mr. Joseph Quick

TS/MS/KS v. BSA et al Cause No. 13-000149  
Produced Pursuant to Protective Order

Copy of this file  
went to Joe Duck  
7/20/83  
(AM)

TS/MS/K/S v. BSA et al. Case No. 03-237274-9  
Produced Pursuant to Protective Order



SCOUTING/USA

A program for Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Explorers

National Office  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

1325 Walnut Hill Lane, Irving, Texas 75062-1296  
Telephone: 214 659-2000

August 3, 1984

SUBJECT: Richard J. Gruber

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

On August 2, 1984 Mr. Joseph Quick, Scout Executive of the Dan Beard Council in Cincinnati, called me. He had received a copy of a letter from J. L. Tarr to Mr. [REDACTED], who is the chairman of Troop 6 of the Dan Beard Council.

He asked for a copy of the original letter which was sent to this office by Mr. Roketenetz. This I will supply to Mr. Quick.

Mr. Quick asked who told Mr. [REDACTED] that Mr. Gruber had originally been caught engaging in activities that were unacceptable. After some discussion and looking at our files, Mr. Quick discovered that Roger Brummett was the Scouting Coordinator at the time there were other problems in Troop 6 related to leadership. In 1983, Mr. Gruber tried to register and I discussed the matter with Mr. Quick. I indicated that we had a very weak case in our files related to him. Mr. Quick contacted the minister of the Church which sponsors the troop and also had communication with the chairman and the Scouting Coordinator at that time. The church decided, based on the time which had lapsed and our very weak file, that Mr. Gruber should be registered on a precautionary basis. This was done.

When Mr. [REDACTED] wrote to us in July 1984, he indicated that Tom Scott, the camp director and Roger Brummett, the program director of the Moundbuilders Council Camp Hook, told him that Mr. Gruber had been caught engaging in homosexual activities many years ago. He asked for more information concerning this. Mr. Tarr's letter referred him back to the council, since the council had kept the chapter organization informed as any change in events took place.

This information should be in our file for future reference.

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration, Subscription &  
Statistical Service

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JOE QUICK 7-12-17

Richard Gruber

SEND COPY OF FILE

Case No. 03-2372749

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE**

TO Mr. Ernst

DATE 5/17 TIME 3:54 A.M.  
P.M.

WHILE YOU WERE OUT

M. Joe Quick

OF

Area Code & Exchange 513-961-2336

TELEPHONED	PLEASE CALL
CALLED TO SEE YOU	WILL CALL AGAIN
WANTS TO SEE YOU	URGENT
RETURNED YOUR CALL	

Message did not leave message

**RICHARD GRUBER**

Operator Diana

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Produced Pursuant to Court Order

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R. GRUBER

CINCINNATI OH

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RICHARD J GRUBER  
4682 LEADWELL DR  
CINCINNATI OH 45242-50

GUBLA 682R9 5090 Life

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6/84 EXP



NOT ON SCOOTING 5/6-83 AT 45242

S. PLATT MAY 23 1983

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Produced Pursuant to Protective Order No. 03-2372149

RICHARD J. GRUBER  
4682 LEADWELL LN.  
CINCINNATI, OHIO 45242  
APRIL 12, 1967

DAN BEARD COUNCIL  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA  
3007 VERNON PLACE  
CINCINNATI, OHIO 45219

GENTLEMEN

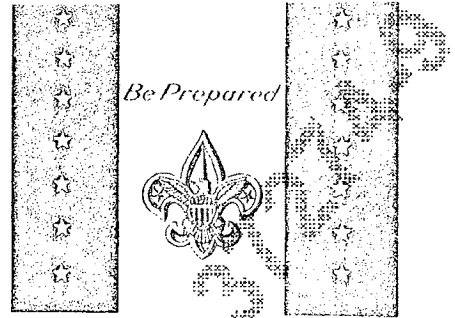
PLEASE ACCEPT THIS AS MY VOLUNTARY RESIGNATION  
FROM THE DAN BEARD COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF  
AMERICA, IN AS MUCH AS I HAVE A SEMI-INVALID  
SISTER AND MOTHER WHO NEED MY ASSISTANCE MORE  
SINCE SHE IS GETTING NEAR IN AGE. I HOPE THAT  
SOMEDAY IN THE FUTURE I MAY AGAIN BE  
FREE TO GIVE MY ASSISTANCE TO SCOUTING.

SINCERELY YOURS

Richard J. Gruber



Dan Beard Council  
**BOY SCOUTS of AMERICA**  
No. 438



3007 VERNON PLACE  
CINCINNATI OHIO 45219  
PHONE 961-2336

DWIGHT J. THOMSON, President  
DONALD E. STAPLETON, Council Commissioner  
BASIL F. STARKEY, Scout Executive

April 28, 1967

Mr. Howard Boyd, Director  
Registration Service  
Boy Scouts of America  
National Council  
New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903

Personal & Confidential

Dear Howard:

I'm enclosing a statement by our former lodge chief. The investigation by the security officer at one of our large firms has resulted in two resignations.

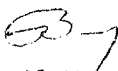
Both men admitted, in presence of two witnesses, that they had engaged in sexual activities with boys. Their resignations are enclosed. They are:

Richard Gruber - Assistant Scoutmaster Troop 18.

Charles Parker - Scoutmaster Troop 222.

Please send us confidential record sheets. We're still working on the Ron Kidd case.

Sincerely yours,

  
Basil F. Starkey,  
Scout Executive

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**BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**

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

Wait a sec  
if he writes  
again

5-26-88

David K. Park  
214-580-2005  
S400

Hesley, Esq.  
Zinn.

Gruber ↙

(suspended for  
child abuse or such)

Call → 513-621-0267  
wants to be reinstated

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Protective Order

March 10, 1988

Mr. Joseph B. Quick  
Scout Executive  
Dan Beard Council, No. 438

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Richard J. Gruber

Dear Joe:

A review of our files indicated that Mr. Gruber was presently registered in Pack C3018 with ID #056583. Since we do not wish to register Mr. Gruber, please delete him from your computer file.

If you have any questions concerning this, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

mdw

cc: East Central Region

READY TO FILE

MAR 09 1988

ERIN O'RILEY

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*Produced Pursuant to Protective Order*  
*PLEASE ASSOCIATED WITH*  
*JOHN Moberly*

July 23, 1984

Mr. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Cincinnati, OH 45202

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your letter of July 11, concerning the registration of Mr. Richard J. Gruber, as Scoutmaster of Troop [REDACTED]. I have referred this information to our Registration Department, so that they may investigate this situation.

You should contact Mr. Joseph Quick and discuss this matter with him. The national office has had correspondence with Mr. Quick concerning this matter, and in 1983 sent copies of the file to Mr. Quick for his use. I am sure he will discuss this entire matter with you in order to make certain that the youth of the troop are fully protected.

Sincerely,

J.L. Tarr  
Chief Scout Executive

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cc: Mr. Joseph B. Quick, Scout Executive, Council 438  
East Central Region

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July 23, 1984

Mr. [REDACTED]

Cincinnati, OH 45202

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your letter of July 11, concerning the registration of Mr. Richard J. Gruber, as Scoutmaster of Troop 26. I have referred this information to our Registration Department, so that they may investigate this situation.

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Sincerely,

J.L. Farr  
Chief Scout Executive

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cc: Mr. Joseph E. Quick, Scout Executive, Council 438  
East Central Region

bc: Paul J. Ernst, SUM #0108

TSBSA007556

DYKES\_I\_008669

August 3, 1984

SUBJECT: Richard J. Gruber

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

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Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration, Subscription &  
Statistical Service

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July 21, 1983

Mr. Joseph B. Quick  
Scout Executive  
Dan Beard Council, No. 438

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Joe:

Enclosed is the complete file on Richard J. Gruber. This file is not very strong in that the only information we have of any substance is a letter from Basil Starkey indicating that Richard Gruber admitted to sexual activities with boys. It does not indicate who was involved nor the date or place of activity.

Please let me know if you need other help from us concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director  
Registration, Subscription &  
Statistical Service

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Enclosure

cc: East Central Region

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TS/MS/KS  
Produced Pursuant to Protective Order

May 26, 1967

Mr. Basil F. Starkey  
Scout Executive  
Dan Beard Council No. 438

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your confidential record sheets dated May 23 concerning Richard J. Gruber and Charles Parker. We have placed this information in our files.

This additional information will enable us to identify these individuals should they ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program.

Sincerely yours,  
PERSONNEL & TRAINING DIVISION

Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration

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TSBSA007559

May 3, 1967

Mr. Basil F. Starkey  
Scout Executive  
Dan Beard Council, No. 438

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Richard J. Gruber  
Charles Parker

Dear Bay:

Thank you for your letter of April 28 in which you enclosed a statement from past Lodge Chief Clarence Graves concerning Richard Gruber, currently registered as Scoutmaster of Troop 18 in Rossmoyne and Charles Parker, currently registered as Scoutmaster of Troop 222 in Cincinnati. We have placed this information in our files and have taken steps to have their names deleted from the respective Troop rosters.

Enclosed are record sheets for these men which we would appreciate your filling out and returning to us as soon as possible. This additional information will enable us to identify Messrs. Gruber and Parker should they ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program.

Your letter indicates that a Ben Kidd might also be a candidate for our file. We are enclosing an extra record sheet for him if it is needed. If so, please send us any substantiating statements pertaining to the situation. Thanks very much for your kind cooperation.

I am sure you realize that Troop 18 is now without any registered unit leader. Undoubtedly, someone is taking over in this position. In order for the unit to continue to receive program inserts in Scouting Magazine, it will be necessary to advise this office of the name of the new unit leader. This should be done by filing with us an additional enrollment for this individual in his new position. Please do not file a separation notice as we have already dropped the current leader.

Sincerely yours,  
PERSONNEL & TRAINING DIVISION

Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration

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