

INELIGIBLE VOLUNTEER RECORD SHEET
REGISTRATION SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE: 9/17/90

FULL NAME Richard Mason
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

S.S. NO. [REDACTED]

ADDRESS [REDACTED]

CITY Whitehall STATE Ohio ZIP CODE 43213

DATE OF BIRTH 6/20/44 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 46 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION Roman Cath. NATIONALITY (Citizen of)

OCCUPATION D.C.S.C. [REDACTED] Columbus OH

EDUCATION High School Roger Bacon High School Cincinnati

WEIGHT _____ HEIGHT _____ RACE White

COLOR OF HAIR _____ COLOR OF EYES _____

ANY DISTINGUISHING PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS _____

HOBBIES OR SPECIAL INTERESTS _____

MARRIED SINGLE NAME OF SPOUSE _____

CHILDREN None
(Name, number, ages, if possible)

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	POSITION	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
<u>pk 371</u>	<u>Columbus oh</u>	<u>OH</u>	<u>MC</u>		
Chartered Organization <u>pk 371</u>			<u>Lord of Life Fellowship Church</u>		

SPECIAL RECOGNITION _____

INCIDENT: TYPE 1-1 DATE OF INCIDENT Fall 1989 RESOLUTION _____
Type Resolution

- 1 Scout Related
- 2 Non-scout related
- 3 homosexual (not specifically with youth)
- 4 Internal (only Scouts Know)
- 5 Criminal action
- 6 Court action
- 7 Probationary status
- 8 Reported to state agency

Check off list of attached documentation

- NOTED**
- 1. Description of incident - on file already
 - 2. Victim(s) statement -
 - 3. media reports -
 - 4. Legal proceedings -
 - 5. Offender's statement -
 - 6. Official notification of termination on file already
 - 7. Found guilty/innocent by court -

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OCT 13 1990

Council Central Ohio Council Signed [Signature] F. STARON
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

November 26, 1990

Mr. Rendle L. Metzger
Scout Executive
Central Ohio Council, No. 441

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: RICHARD MASON

Dear Ren:

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: East Central Region

READY TO FILE
NOV 26 1990
ERIN O'RILEY

CONF006835

September 10, 1990

Mr. Rendle L. Metzger
Scout Executive
Central Ohio Council, No. 441

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: RICHARD MASON

Dear Rendle:

In March of this year we received information from you concerning the above named individual, and indicated that this individual should not be registered with the Boy Scouts of America. You also indicated that additional information would be sent.

We have not heard from you since that time and need more information concerning the reason for Mr. Mason's suspension. Please give us newspaper clippings or court records if there is any legal action.

We are also enclosing an Ineligible Volunteer Record Sheet which we would like to have completed, so we can identify Mr. Mason. Please complete this with as much information as you have available.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service

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Enclosure

cc: East Central Region

REC'D BY FILE
SEP 10 1990
ERIN O'RILEY

CONF006836

July 18, 1990

Mr. Richard Mason

Whitehall, OH 43213

Dear Mr. Mason:

Enclosed is a check for \$36.00 which is a refund of your registration as a member of the Scout Family Alumni Association. Since your registration is now under suspension, we are refunding this money to you since you cannot presently be registered with the Boy Scouts of America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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Enclosure

cc. Ted Click, Director of Field Service, Council No. 441
Rendle L. Metzger, Scout Executive, Council, No. 441

CONF006837

July 17, 1990

TO: Beatrice Dibole, S406

SUBJECT: Refund

Please issue a check as follows:

\$36.00

PAYABLE TO:

Mr. Richard Mason

Whitenall, OH 43213

CHARGE TO ACCOUNT:

#2338-908		Unit Charter Fee
#3010		Tiger Cubs
#3011		Cub Scouts
#3012		Boy Scouts
#3016		Varsity Scouts
#3013		Explorers
#3015		Career Awareness Explorers
#3014	\$36.00	Leaders
#2211		Boys' Life Cancellation
MISC		Other

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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CALL BACK REQUESTED _____

COUNCIL # 441

PHONE NO: _____

On-Line _____ Batch _____

CALLER: Ted Clark

POSITION: Dir of Field

TYPE OF PROBLEM

REGISTRATION _____

VETERANS _____

DEBIT _____

CREDIT _____

PROGRAM CODE
& UNIT #

RENEWAL DATE

TRANSMITTAL #

ID #

FILM #

Re. Confab

12-31-92 #36.00

RICHARD MARSON

MAKE REFUND OF \$36.00

PAID TR 12-92 ON ALUMNI

SOLUTION:

LTR coming from COUNCIL
OK CORRESPONDENCE IN FILE

NAME Paul Kent

DATE 7-16-90

TIME _____

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MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT SYSTEM

MEMBER DELETE

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FIRST: RICHARD E LAST: HASDH

ADDR1: ██████████ ADDR2: COLUMBUS OH ZIP: 43213

ADDR3: ██████████ ADDR4: ██████████

REG STATUS: D ENROLL: 0986 BIRTH: 0644 SEX: M AGENCY: M ADULT/YOUTH: A

POSITION: HC FINDERCODE: 50 PHONE: ██████████ BULK: MAG-STATUS:

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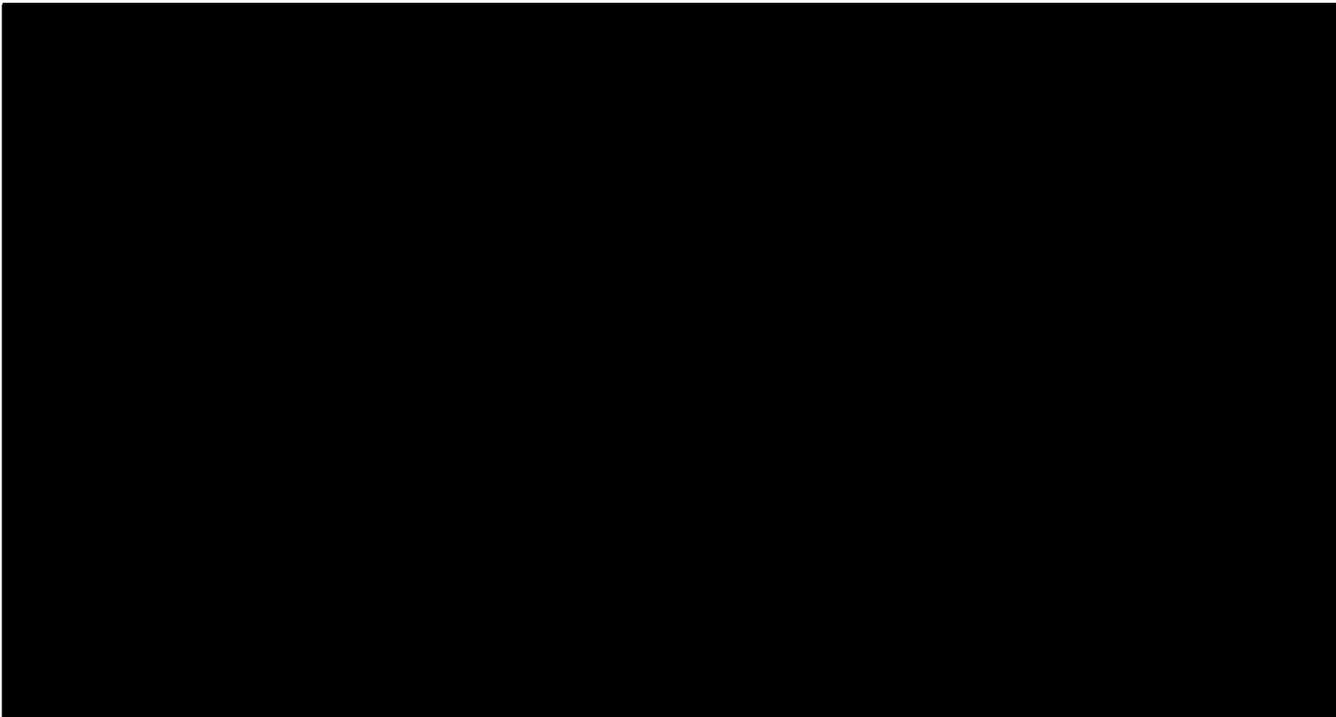
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September 10, 1980

Mr. Randle L. Metzger
Scout Executive
Central Ohio Council, No. 441



Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service

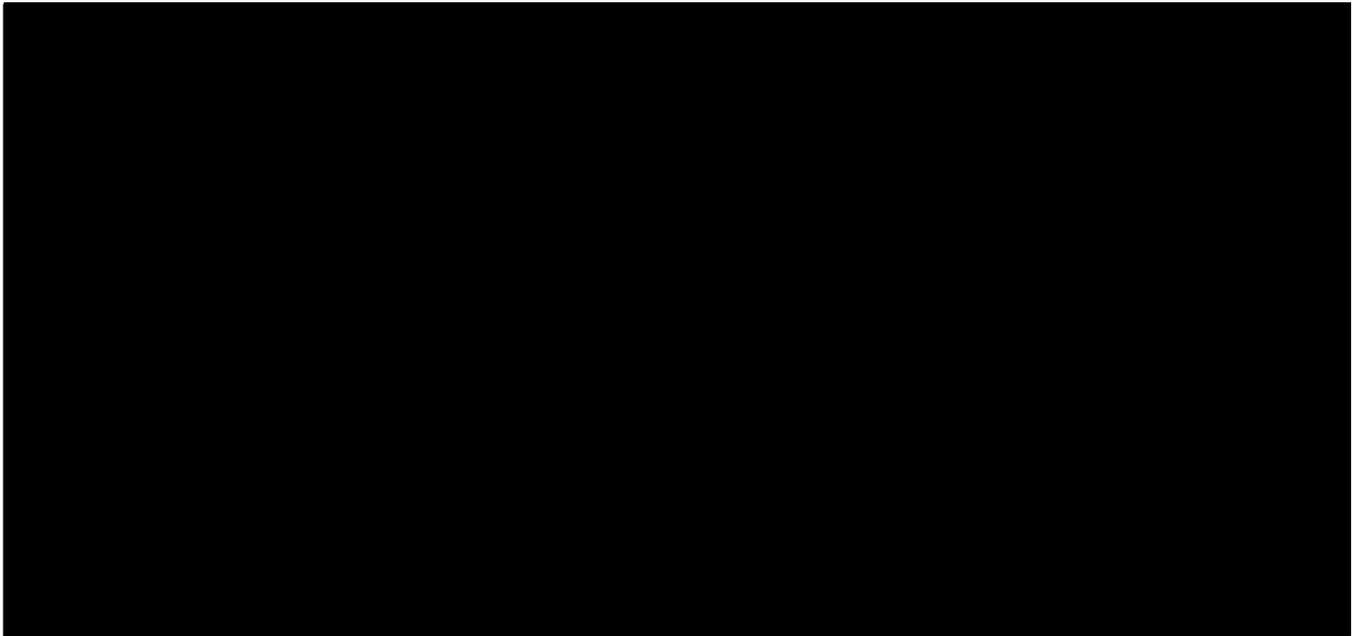
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cc: East Central Region

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March 20, 1960



1. Daniel Lutz, Chairman
Committee on Intergovernmental Cooperation

2.

cc: Paul West, Regional Director, F.I.C.
Eugene Metzger, Joint Executive, Columbus
H. Gene Cross, Regional Director
Peter H. Scharnitz, Assistant Regional Director
Israel Anderson, Committee Member

I have done over the past
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review of your membership denial with the Boy
Central Region Review Committee will meet on
at the East Central Region headquarters at 230
Illinois.

we will review all the material and pertinent data
your membership. You may appear if you wish,
is not adversary in nature. Therefore, neither
nor any participant will be formally represented by
to attend, please call my secretary, Joan Bach.
might plan our meeting accordingly.

and you would prefer to attend a meeting on
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C Holmes

March 20, 1987

Memo to: Ken

cc to: Shoraburg, Holmes, Largent, M. Turner

Subject: Registration of Richard Mason

I talked with Ken beyond on Monday, March 20th.

He stated that there never was a file started on Richard Mason due to the fact that [REDACTED] thought it would cause conflicts with Richard's father, [REDACTED] member of the council and at that time an active member.

I suggest a meeting of the above to discuss what our plan should be and to discuss whether removing Richard from Scouting would be ⁱⁿ the best interest of Scouting and our council.

Bob Farris

APRIL 9, 1987

MEMO TO: FARIS, HOLMES, METZGER

CC: METZGER, KENNEDY

FROM: THORNBURG

JIM KENNEDY & MYSELF MET FOR LUNCH TUESDAY WITH MIKE NIMOCKS, DIOCESAN CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN, TO DISCUSS PARTICIPATION AND REGISTRATION OF RICHARD MASON.

NIMOCKS AGREED TO BRIEF FATHER CARL CLARETT, PASTOR OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MARY PARISH, AS TO OUR RESERVATION ABOUT MASON. HE THEN ALSO AGREED TO TALK TO MASON TO RELIEVE HIM OF HIS RESPONSIBILITIES AS CATHOLIC COMMITTEE SECRETARY.

CHARLES! WE NEED TO BE PREPARED TO REFUND ^{MASON'S} HIS REGISTRATION FEE AND TO ALERT THE REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT TO WATCH FOR HIS NAME AS HE IS ANT TO TRY REGISTERING WITH ANOTHER PARISH.

September 23, 1987

Mr. Paul Knoblauch

[REDACTED]
Columbus, Ohio 43213

Dear Paul:

We are looking into the suitability of Richard Mason as a leader/role model for the Boy Scouts of America. It is my understanding that you have worked with him in the past. We would be most grateful for any first hand experiences that you have had in dealing with Mr. Mason.

Your reply to this letter will be kept in the strictest of confidence. We ask that you keep our letter confidential as well. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Mark L. Turner
District Executive
Tri-Creek District

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September 23, 1987

Mr. Stan Topy

[REDACTED]
Columbus, Ohio 43227

Dear Stan:

We are looking into the suitability of Richard Mason as a leader/role model for the Boy Scouts of America. It is my understanding that you have worked with him in the past. We would be most grateful for any first hand experiences that you have had in dealing with Mr. Mason.

Your reply to this letter will be kept in the strictest of confidence. We ask that you keep our letter confidential as well. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Mark L. Turner
District Executive
Tri-Creek District

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cc: Ren
Charles

The attached is his response to my inquiry.

MLT

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KIRSCHNER, HEIMLICH, MULLIGAN & Co.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

[REDACTED]
COLUMBUS, OHIO 43206
[REDACTED]

October 1, 1987

"CONFIDENTIAL"

Mr. Mark Turner
Central Ohio Council
Boy Scouts of America
[REDACTED]
Columbus, Ohio 43229

Dear Mark:

I am replying to your letter of September 23, 1987. Several things happened which should be brought to your attention. After Richard had been with our troop for several months, we went to summer camp. One night at summer camp we found Richard in one of the boys tents. It happened to be our senior patrol leader so the boy was alone in the tent. We had heard rumors about Richard and were watching him very carefully. He was only in the tent a few minutes (about ten). We questioned the boy and are fairly certain no molestation happened but after questioning the boy we also felt that was the reason for the entry into the tent.

Although the next few items aren't nearly as important as any possible molestation of the boys, nevertheless I feel they show that Richard is definitely not an adequate role model/leader.

- 1) Richard has bizarre eating habits. The boys and scouters that were assigned to his table at summer camp were astounded at his habits. One example was putting ketchup on his cereal. Another example was putting orange juice on his pancakes. The mixes of food that he came up with were unusual and unappetizing, to say the least. Most people wouldn't believe the combinations unless they saw them. The boys usually did not want to sit with Richard because of his strange eating habits.
- 2) Richard was very lax in awarding advancements to the boys. They knew that and would go to him to get skill awards etc. There was one time when he gave or approved 5-6 skill awards including "teaching" the skills in 15 minutes. We had to initiate a policy that only certain assistant scoutmasters were allowed to approve awards.

I'm sure there were many other incidents that I am unable to remember after approximately 12 months since the troop asked Richard not to come back to our meetings. I was under the impression that "council" knew of the problems we were having. In talking with other scouters at Roundtable

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and camporees, we were told that several other troops had complained to council. I would suggest that you contact the scoutmasters and other leaders of troops that Richard has been associated with. I would also suggest you contact some of the other leaders of Troop 475, namely Gary Mayer, Jeff Collins, Roger Greenawald or Gordon Vink.

It worries we even more now that Richard is working with a cub scout pack. The older boys in boy scouts could deal with someone like Richard easier than the 7-10 year old cub scouts.

If this is the first time that council has become aware of the problems with Richard I am sorry for not personally notifying you earlier. I was told that you knew all about the problems I would be happy to have somebody come down to my office and discuss this with me. I'm sure it could be arranged for some of the other leaders mentioned above to be there also.

Very truly yours,



Stanley J. Topy, CPA

SJT:cmf

September 23, 1987

Father Carl Clagett
Church of Our Lady
████████████████████
Columbus, OH. 43232

Dear Father Clagett:

Thank you for taking time out of your busy schedule to meet with Charles Holmes and myself on the 22nd. We appreciate being able to discuss our concerns with you regarding Richard Mason and his suitability as a Scout leader, particularly in a role working with boys. We also appreciate you sharing the incident involving the Girl Scouts with us.

As I indicated, I am in the process of soliciting written statements from Scouters that have worked with Mr. Mason in the past. Following these inquiries, we will determine if we will allow him to remain registered with the Central Ohio Council in any capacity.

Regardless of the outcome, we recommend that Richard Mason be placed in a Committee Member role. One that does not involve direct contact with youth.

As you requested, I will set up a meeting with your scouting coordinator, Dick Jones, to discuss this matter further.

Once again, thank you for allowing us to share our concerns regarding Richard Mason. If I can ever be of assistance to your Scouting Ministry, please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly,

Mark L. Turner, Senior Executive
Tri-Creek District

MLT/nc

08-02-01

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INTRAOFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO <i>MART T</i>		TO (FOR REPLY)	
FROM <i>Ren</i>	DATE <i>12/9</i>	FROM	DATE
SUBJECT <i>Richard MASON</i>			
<input type="checkbox"/> FOLLOW UP PLEASE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PREPARE REPLY FOR MY SIGNATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> AS REQUESTED	<input type="checkbox"/> FOR YOUR REVIEW
<input type="checkbox"/> NOTE AND RETURN	<input type="checkbox"/> SEND ME INFORMATION REQUIRED TO ANSWER	<input type="checkbox"/> FOR YOUR INFORMATION	<input type="checkbox"/> AS PER CONVERSATION
<input type="checkbox"/> NOTE AND FORWARD TO FILES	<input type="checkbox"/> FOR SIGNATURE, IF YOU APPROVE		
<input type="checkbox"/> SEE (PHONE) ME RE ATTACHED			

*I believe in a neglect
in not removing Richard!
Harris my first [redacted]*



PLEASE CALL ME EXT. *Record* *Ren*

12/12/88

To: Larry Leighton
From: Mark Turner
Re: Richard Mason

Plan of Action

Since no cases of actual child abuse have ^{not} been reported to date, we lack just cause for suspending Richard's registration. However, we could approach this from the point of view of his fitness and ability to lead. Extra caution needs to be taken because of the family name and the potential bad P.R. (i.e. "Boy Scouts deny registration to men because he is retarded")

What I suggest is this. That we conduct a series of interviews with individuals who have expressed a concern about Richard. Their statements be written down and a copy sent to the individual who made it asking them to notify us if there are any inaccuracies. These same people have been given the chance to make written statements in the past but have declined or failed to do so. Once we have collected them, our ~~scout~~ Youth Protection Committee can review it and make their recommendation.

Here are the people that I believe would benefit us the most in this effort:

1. Jeff Collins - Columbus Police, Scoutmaster, Post Advisor
2. Girl Scouts - Richard used to work with them. There was an alleged incident but the parish priest dismissed it as an understanding.

3. Roy Case - refuses to allow Richard to be certified as one of our Merit Badge counselors. (I agree)
4. [REDACTED] - an assistant Scoutmaster who once spent a week at summer camp with Richard. I believe he sent [REDACTED] concern that may be in the Mason file.
5. [REDACTED] involved with Pack/Troop 861 has had several interactions with Richard both in Scouting & in other community / school activities. I believe that they live in the same neighborhood.
6. Paul Knoblerch - As Scouting Coordinator at Holy Spirit Parish, he took the necessary steps to remove Richard from their Scouting programs.

In Richard's voluminous correspondence to me, he mentions some of his other community activities. Perhaps we should contact them to see if they have had any problems.

Because of Ren's note, I think that we must decide now and act quickly, but not hastily. Perhaps consulting with the Region or National might be helpful. We may find that mental retardation is just grounds for denying registration. Let's discuss this as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Mat [Signature]

(DRAFT)

December 15, 1988

TO: Mike Nimicks

FROM: Ren Metzgar or Dick Langhout or Larry Leighton or ?

Richard Mason's communication, activity and qualifications for leadership lead me to inform you that he should not be a leader of Scouts.

His attempts to be a registered volunteer through direct dealing with the Central Ohio Council in 1985 and 1986 through Ron Eagon were refused. He has since found a registered status elsewhere.

For the record, I believe that this is a high risk situation needing your attention. We stand ready to support your efforts to maintain standards of leadership.

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CONF006855

Ruby -
Gibbs

December 16, 1988

"NIMICKS" / MASON 9

TO: Larry Leighton
Matt Ackerman

FROM: Ren Metzgar

RE: Child Abuse/Standard of Leadership

Please determine the position statement we must take with situations like:

- a.) Mason
- b.) Delaware Scouter Inquiry

It is critical that a "Monkey" be placed for the record! I would prefer the reaction to a proactive position so long as it is not malicious incrimination of character. More to the point, to create an uneasy atmosphere that will cause action from those who have (1) initiated inquiries or (2) have direct contact with individuals unworthy of registering.

The attached is my best thinking. Help!

These two situations seem coincidentally too connected. Plus, I want to take a position now regarding item (a) before any events this person might conduct in the name of Scouting.

I would like you to share with me a proactive solution.

RLM:stc
Attachment
4-3-28a

Wishing you a Christmas
of happiness and
heartwarming pleasures

RICHARD [REDACTED]

WH [REDACTED] OHIO 43213

CUB PACT 602

Our Lady Immaculate
Redeemer Church

SATURDAY DECEMBER 23. 1989.

TIME- 1- 7.P. M.

PLACE- [REDACTED] Whitehall Ohio. [REDACTED]

PHONE- H- [REDACTED]

INFORMATION- Come as you are. all are welcome. Hope to see you

Richard Mason [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Whitehall Ohio. 43213.

Street Address- [REDACTED] Whitehall Ohio. 43213.

[REDACTED] OHIO. 43213.

CONF006858

December 21, 1988

TO: STEVE ALDERMAN

FROM: RENDLE L. METZGAR

RE: CHILD ABUSE INCIDENT REPORTED TO ME AT A CATHOLIC RETREAT
USING MICHAEL NIMOCKS AS REFERENCE.

After receiving your phone call I mailed to you that day copies of standard reporting forms requesting you to take action on any alleged incidents.

Several attempts by our District Executives to secure same have failed.

To date. I am still waiting a response. Please know that it is critical that we all fault on the side of protecting a boy.

RLM/rh

cc: Mike Nimocks
Steve Ayers
Rick Gardner
Matt Ackerman

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
Central Ohio Council 441

December 22, 1988

TO: MIKE NIMICKS

FROM: RENDLE L. METZGAR

RE: RICHARD MASON

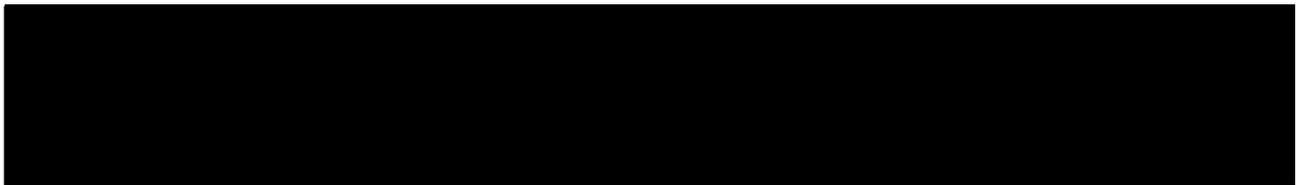
I want to go on record with you and the Chartered Organization that chartered the above named individual, that he represents a high risk potential and should not be a leader of youth members.

There have been too many coincidental inuendo, unsubstantiated remarks and phone calls questioning this person's qualifications to be a leader; therefore, I must go on record and fault on the side of a boy.

Please know that Central Ohio Council stands ready to support you in any appropriate review. I mean no incrimination to this person but want to simply point out that he does not represent the standards of leadership expected in the Scouting movement.

RLM/rh

cc: Richard Langhout - Commissioner
Steve Ayers - Loss Prevention
Larry Leighton - Staff
Joe Ferguson - Staff
Father Carl Clagett
Mark Turner - Staff



CONF006860

October 11, 1989

TO: REN METZGAR
FROM: MATT ACKERMAN
RE: RICHARD MASON

SITUATION

At the USA Skate Night on Tuesday, March 10 on [REDACTED] Richard Mason was observed taking names address and phone numbers of boys entering on this Scout Night Promotion.

Jeff Collins and Steve Quinel asked Richard what he was doing. He replied that he was following the manager's orders. Jeff and Steve went and asked the manager why, and he said that "Oh that's Mark Turner. He's checking to make sure that he has a list to see if all the boys are registered."

All were suprised when it was discovered that Richard Mason had been selling himself as "District Executive" Mark Turner.

RECOMMENDATION

I advise you and the Loss Prevention Committee to take action at removing Richard Mason from the BSA Registration. We have numerous letters written by Richard that support the need to take this action.

MAA/ctm
5-1-8

HICKMAN
PHOTO: GARRISON
PITLUPS
HAMM
KLICK
FILE COPY.

CONF006861

October 12, 1989

TO: RUBY

RE: RICHARD MASON

This day as per Matt's instructions:

1. Cancel any registered affiliation
2. Initiate President's letter for delivery on Wednesday, October 18, 1989.
3. Place on "Unregistered Adult" file.

cc: Larry Garrison
Sue Phillips

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Central Ohio Council 441

October 16, 1989

Richard Mason

[REDACTED]
Columbus, Ohio 43213

Dear Mr. Mason:

After careful review, we have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be denied. 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 registration fee is enclosed.

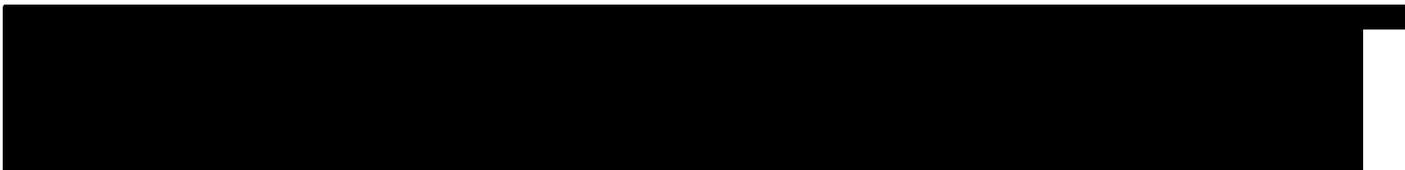
You should understand that BSA membership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to refuse registration whenever there is a concern that an individual may not meet the high standards of membership which the BSA seeks to provide American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

If you wish to have this decision reviewed by BSA regional review committee, please write to the regional director within 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 of a review of this decision are attached.

Sincerely yours,

William E. Hickman
Council President

WEH/rh



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October 23, 1989

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of the decision to deny your

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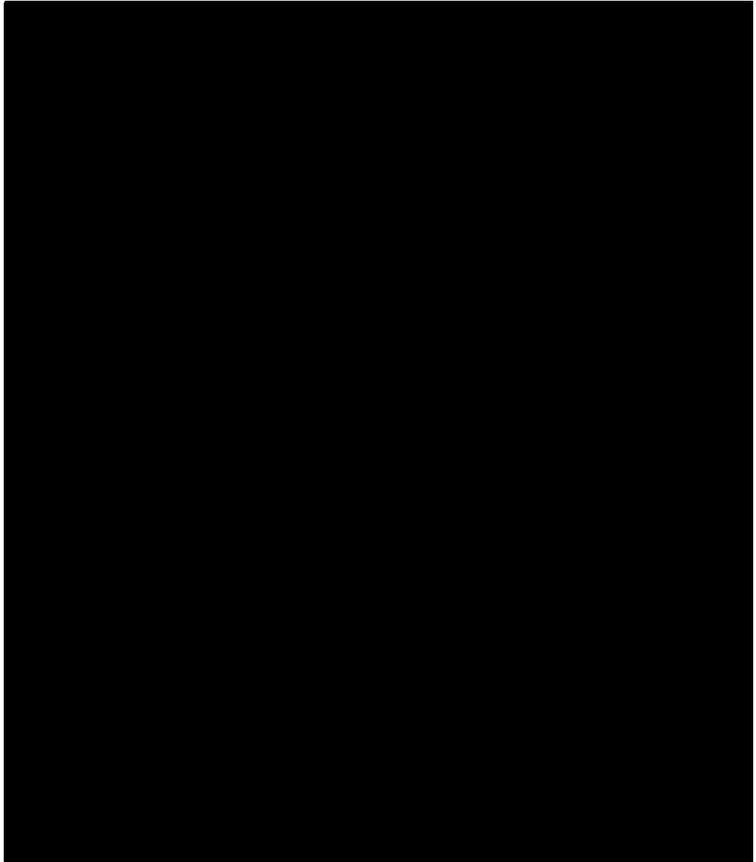
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Keith Jenkins

Keith Jenkins

Regional Director

The East Central Region, Boy Scouts of America.
The Executive Director.

JAN 12 1990

East Central Region

Naperville Illinois. 60540-1279.

Dear Executive Director;

I realize that I am late in sending you this information, and I hope that you will still read it. I should have had it to you with-in 60 Days But I got tied up with other events not related to Scouting, but had been wanting to write you for sometime, but I did not get the chance to. Until now. So I hope that during this new Year, I would like to get solved the problem or problems that caused me to receive this letter. I love Scouting and hope to continue in it. But I would like to solve the problems that caused me to leave.

When I got this letter Monday October 23, Several things went through my mind as to why I got it; I could not figure it out. And I am not trying to cover up anything, but by no means am I perfect. But I was never told what the problems were and why I was being asked to leave. If I had known for sometime I was going to be put out for this or that, ok, I would accept it, and realize that yes My errors caused me to leave, I had never received a letter like this before, in any organization I have ever been in, and I am in quite a few now, non-Scouting. and do very well in them. one is a Boys Club in the City of Columbus Which I have been with as a Volunteer since 1970, and have never had any trouble. That is why I said, I can not figure out, what I have done wrong that would cause me to leave your Organization as a Active Member; If I could hear from you with some information, I could correct the problems, and I hope that if the Lord Wills it I could be reinstated. Or do you feel maybe I can serve you better as a Alumns . I was in that program from January 85-87 and loved it. I kind of have a calling for that type of program. if The active role is not for me. But I do hope that I can get this cleared up .

I will say this, My Early Years in Scouting were not the best, Because I was trying to do to much and was getting Tired .and when your Tired, Yes mistakes will come. no question about it. I knew I was not that sharp, and so did a lot of other People including the Central Ohio Scout Executive J.H. Brownie. but he did not throw me out and say your History. He knew I was not sharp and asked me of insted of working with a Troop and Pack how would I like to work with Explorers. I accepted and found it very good and enjoyable and feel that I did turn myself around, which I had to do. or I would be out. I am not proud of my early years at all. I let myself down. I was very greatful to be given the chance to continue.

If I had to grade myself those Early years 1967-1970. May Each Year. I would give Myself a C- D. Raiting. which is not to good. Now maybe some People felt I did not have it at all and leave.

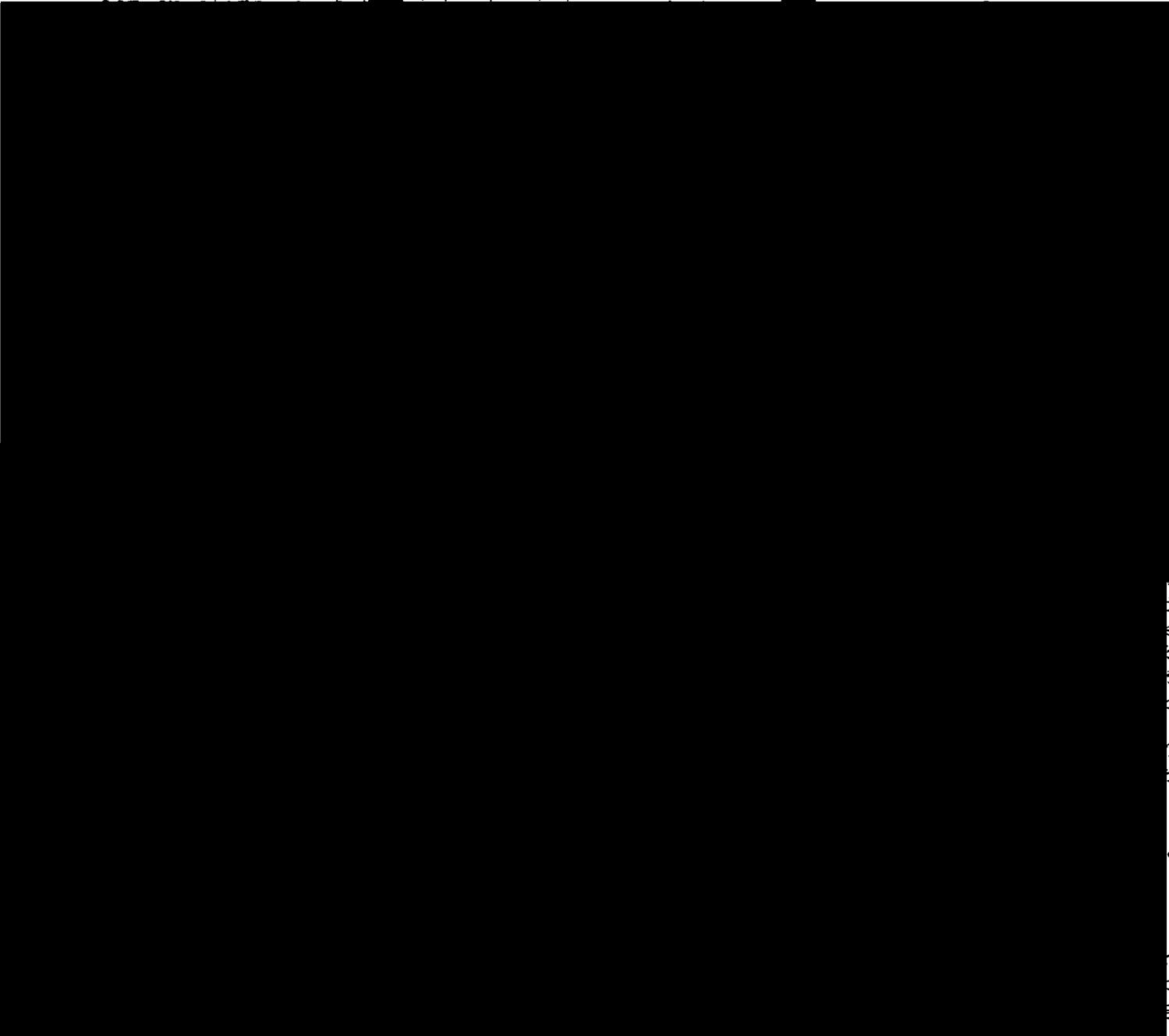
But After I took Woodbadge, I saw a whole new Game. And would rate myself with a B-A.Plus. because I learned so much more and felt I did a lot better. but I guess the enclosed letter says different. Well like I said If I could only know the mistakes I made ,I can correct them.

It seems to me, I do better with Non-Scouting work then Scouting. And some People in Scouting have told me this. They see me as I do very strong in Non Scouting work then Scouting.

I do feel this way, that I have been stronger with Non Scout Events then Scouting. Maybe Scouting was not men;t for me, but I will say, I must have done something right to stay in from May 1967- October 1989. When I got the letter. I don;t really feel I did all that bad, but like I said I was not always that sharp. But I made many wonderful Friends and have many happy memories of Different things and events that I took part in from Day 1-now. when I came in.

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I have always tried to do my best, no matter what condition I was in. I never loc.



Sincerely
Richard Mason-

Whitehall Ohio. 45213.

CAN YOU SEND ME INFORMATION
- ABOUT WHAT I HAVE DONE?

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Central Ohio Council 441

October 16, 1989

Richard Mason
[REDACTED]

Columbus, Ohio 43213

Dear Mr. Mason:

After careful review, we have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be denied. 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 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 American youth.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed by BSA regional review committee, please write to the regional director within 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 of a review of this decision are attached.

Sincerely yours,

William E. Hickman
Council President

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

1. Within 60 days, you must request in writing a review of this decision. Your request should be sent to the regional director, East Central Region, BSA. 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 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.



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
Central Ohio Council 441

March 2, 1990

EAST CENTRAL REGION
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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Peter M. Barbernitz
Assistant Regional Director
East Central Region, BSA

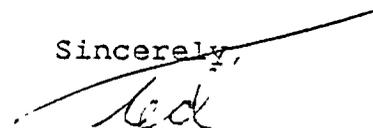
[REDACTED]
Naperville, IL 60566-7085

Dear Pete:

As you requested, I have enclosed copies of our file on Richard Mason. The letters that are bound together are from Richard, they were sent to the executive that served the District Richard was active in.

Please call me if you need any other information.

Sincerely,


Ted Klick
Director of field service

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Standards of Leadership
Committee Meeting
Monday, March 12, 1990
Richard Mason Review

In Attendance:

Lowell Anderson, Chairman	Jay Daniel Hart
Grant Herman	Richard Kasperson
Paul J. LaFreniere	John McKenzie
John D. Neesley	

Concern regarding Richard Mason's denial of membership by the Central Ohio Council, Columbus, Ohio.

Richard Mason was invited to attend but distance was prohibitive. Concerns involve the fact that Mr. Mason is evidently slightly retarded. His problem seems to be that he does not possess the moral, educational, and emotional qualities necessary to give positive leadership to youth.

Real concern was expressed that after reading the entire file, no specific allegations could be found charging Mason with any action that would warrant placing him on the confidential file.

It was noted that Central Ohio Council has not yet put him in the confidential file. The committee felt we need to talk to Mr. Mason. Dan Hart and Eugene Trescott will be asked to meet at 2:30 p.m. on Monday, March 19 at the Columbus Scout office to meet first hand with Mr. Mason. The case will be reconsidered at our next meeting.

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