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REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE

Appendix A

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE October 1, 1980

FULL NAME Steve B. Every
(No initials if you can possibly give full name)

ADDRESS 742 Atalanta

CITY Webster Groves STATE Missouri ZIP CODE 63119

DATE OF BIRTH 5-59 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 21 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION Methodist NATIONALITY _____

OCCUPATION Auto Mechanic

EDUCATION High School - Webster Groves High School

WEIGHT 230 lbs. HEIGHT 5'11" RACE White

COLOR OF HAIR Brown COLOR OF EYES _____

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS Thinning Hair - glasses

MARRIED OR SINGLE Single CHILDREN _____

WIFE'S NAME _____

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	OFFICE	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
Troop 303	Webster Groves	MO	ASM	1967 ASA Boy	9-30-80
SPECIAL RECOGNITION <u>Scouters Training Award</u>				<u>11/79</u>	

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

Child Molestation - self admitted

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION AND ATTACH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE OR SPECULATION):

Signed Robert F. Meinholtz
SCOUT EXECUTIVE
Robert F. Meinholtz
Council 312 - St. Louis Area Council

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October 8, 1980

Mr. Robert F. Meinholz
Scout Executive
St. Louis Area Council #312

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Steve B. Every, Troop #303, ASM

Dear Robert:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We are reviewing this case with our Attorney and will keep you informed.

Sincerely,

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

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MEMO TO PROBLEM FILE

DATE: October 1, 1980

SUBJECT: STEVE B. EVERY

On Monday, September 29, 1980, Suburban District Executive Tim O'Donnell received a phone call from Scoutmaster [redacted] of Troop 303, sponsored by Avery School P.T.A. [redacted] related to him the following facts:

On the night before, Sunday, September 28th, Mrs. [redacted] visited with him on a matter concerning her son, a Scout in Troop 303, [redacted]. Mrs. [redacted] told Mr. [redacted] that her son had revealed to her that he had been molested by Steve B. Every an Assistant Scoutmaster in the troop. She was upset and wanted Mr. [redacted] to pursue the matter.

Mr. [redacted] met with unit commissioner Jim Overboe and committeeman Lee Fares and discussed their course of action. It was decided that they would talk to Paul Overboe, son of Jim and to [redacted] son. They felt they could trust these Scouts to keep the matter confidential. These boys had also been in the Scout troop for many years and had known Steve Every for many years. Paul Overboe and [redacted] strongly doubted the story and stated they had not heard about this problem from other boys.

Mr. [redacted], Mr. Overboe, and Mr. Fares confronted Steve Every at Mr. [redacted]'s home with the accusation. Every denied any and all accusations. Mr. [redacted], Mr. Overboe and Mr. Every then went across the street to Mrs. [redacted] home and told her of their doubts and Steve's denial.

Mrs. [redacted] later called Mr. [redacted] and cited the following boys as having told her son [redacted] they had been molested:

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| [redacted] | Age 13 |
| [redacted] | Age |
| [redacted] | Age 11 |
| [redacted] | Age 13 |

All of the boys, with the exception of [redacted], were Scouts. [redacted] had been a Scout but had dropped out because he said he had been molested. Mrs. [redacted] then arranged to meet with Mr. [redacted] after work the following day to discuss the matter.

Mr. [redacted] although he disbelieved the boys' stories, felt something had to be done. He called Tim O'Donnell at 3:00 p.m. on Monday the 29th to ask for assistance.

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O'Donnell took down the pertinent information and met with Scout Executive Robert Meinholtz and Assistant Scout Executive Mel Loewenstein for advice.

Mr. [REDACTED] called Mrs. [REDACTED] at her work, Webster Groves Trust Company, and made an appointment to meet with her at 5:00 p.m. at her home with the boys involved. Mr. Loewenstein and Mr. O'Donnell met her son and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] is [REDACTED] 12 year old brother. Their stores are related as follows:

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██████████ is 12 years old and attends Hixson Junior High. He has been in Troop 303 for about a year. ██████████ related that he was first molested on his first overnight with the troop, a canoe float about a year ago. The troop slept overnight without tentage. ██████████ did not bring a ground cloth to sleep on. He said Steve Every brought extras and let ██████████ use one next to him. ██████████ was in his unzipped sleeping bag. He was wearing his underwear. Before he got to sleep he felt Steve Every's hand in the bag. Steve took down ██████████ underpants and fondled his genitals. Every attempted to insert his penis in ██████████'s buttocks. He took ██████████'s hand and put it inside his underwear. ██████████ removed it. There was no conversation during this time. ██████████ said this went on most of the night and he got no sleep, although he pretended to sleep through it. ██████████ told no one of this encounter.

██████████ has said he has ridden with Steve on Steve's motorcycle many times; and that at times Steve Every has reached back while riding. When he would reach back he would squeeze ██████████'s private parts and say "Everything all right back there?" Again, ██████████ kept it to himself.

The last encounter happened on Friday, September 26, 1980. Steve Every asked Mrs. ██████████ for permission to take ██████████ to a movie and to spend the night at his home on a rollaway bed. Mrs. ██████████ agreed. When ██████████ stayed over, there was no rollaway bed. He stayed in the same bed as Every. Both slept in their underwear. Immediately after going to bed, ██████████ was again fondled. Again Every tried to insert his penis in ██████████'s buttocks but did not succeed and again he put ██████████'s hand on his (Every's) privates. At no time did ██████████ ask him to stop.

██████████ told his mother of the incidents two days later. Mrs. ██████████ was present at the time her son relayed this story to O'Donnell and Loewenstein

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is 13 years old. He attends Holy Redeemer School and has been in Troop 303 for about a year. [REDACTED] stayed overnight at Steve Every's home in the same bed with Steve Every two or three times. The last time he did he and Steve slept in their underwear and he was awakened with Every's hand in his underwear squeezing his penis. Every put his penis on [REDACTED]'s leg and then took the boy's hand and placed it on his (Every's) penis. [REDACTED] pulled away. This was repeated multiple times. Every attempted to masturbate [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] rolled away and Every rolled him back. There was no conversation, threats, or otherwise.

[REDACTED] told his older brother (14) but his brother didn't believe him. He told no one else. [REDACTED] never went back to Every's home. The incident happened during the summer of 1980.

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██████████ is 12 years old and attends Bristol Elementary School. He has been in Troop 303 about four months. ██████████ frequently goes to Every's home. The first encounter was over a year ago. ██████████ went to borrow an alien wrench from Every and went to his room. Every pulled or pushed ██████████ onto his (Every's) bed and started wrestling with him and playfully strangling him. Every then unzipped ██████████'s pants and pulled down his underwear. He sat straddling him. ██████████ was face up. Every wore only gym shorts but did not remove them. He fondled ██████████'s penis then laid on him face to face and moved up and down. The encounter lasted about 15 or 20 minutes. Afterwards ██████████ dressed, got the wrench and left.

The second time was a few months ago. ██████████ had called Steve about a camping activity and Every told him to come over. The same encounter occurred with Every wearing jeans and a shirt this time. Both occurrences took place during daylight hours.

The last encounter happened at Beaumont Scout Reservation on a weekend campout. ██████████ and Every were walking in the woods alone. Every started putting his hands all over ██████████. He reached in ██████████'s pants and put ██████████'s hand in his. ██████████ pulled his hand away about five times. After about ten minutes they went back to camp. ██████████ told only another Scout, ██████████, about this occurrence and no one of the others.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]'s 11 year old brother. He attends Edgar Road School and has been in the troop for two to three months. [REDACTED] reported that he had been fondled nine or ten times over the last year and a half in Steve Every's room during the day.

During one occurrence his older brother [REDACTED] was in the same room while Steve Every abused him. There was never any conversation during the occurrences.

The last incident happened at a Scout campout. [REDACTED] and Every were sharing a two man tent. [REDACTED] went to sleep in his underwear on top of his sleeping bag. Every was also in his underwear. Every pulled down [REDACTED] underwear and fondled him for a while then sucked on [REDACTED] penis for about two minutes. Every laid on top of [REDACTED] and put [REDACTED] hand on his (Every's) penis and held it there. No conversation during any of the occurrences. [REDACTED] told no one afterwards.

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After having conversations with the individual boys, Mr. Loewenstein brought all of the boys in together. He told them as a group he thought they were lying and he didn't believe them. The boys held firmly to their stories. He then told them he was testing them because of the importance of the truth and that he did believe their stories. O'Donnell and Loewenstein then talked to Mrs. [REDACTED] privately. While interviewing the other boys she had been in another room and received a call from Steve Every who was trying to find out what was going on. She told him nothing. She then told Loewenstein and O'Donnell she feared him because she and her son were alone in the house. Loewenstein calmed her by telling her what to do in case of a problem and how the Boy Scouts were going to deal with the situation.

Loewenstein and [REDACTED] then went directly across the street to visit with Mr. [REDACTED] and his wife [REDACTED]. Loewenstein asked [REDACTED] to call Every and ask him not to attend that evening's Scout meeting or have any contact with the Scouts in light of the situation. While having that conversation, Every was resisting [REDACTED] advice and trying to get [REDACTED] to tell him who was involved. At this point Loewenstein told [REDACTED] we would meet with Every right now if he (Every) wished. He did.

Loewenstein, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] met Every in front of his (Every's) home. Loewenstein told Every that some accusations had been made against him and in light of them he would receive a letter telling him to disassociate himself with the program. He also told Every it could only hurt him to have contact with the boys or their parents. Every denied any wrongdoing but did say that boys had spent the night in his bed and in a two man tent with him. Every was not told the number of boys or who the boys were. Loewenstein reemphasized staying away from the boys and parents.

Loewenstein, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] returned to [REDACTED] home. Loewenstein left for a 7:30 meeting. It was felt the other boys parents should be notified so [REDACTED] stayed with [REDACTED] to do so.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] called on Mrs. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] at her home as her boys were finishing relaying their story to her. Mrs. [REDACTED] was upset and crying. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] tried to comfort her. They told her what they had done and what would be done and then they discussed Mrs. [REDACTED] feelings and options. Mrs. [REDACTED] had known and liked Every all his life. Every was a frequent house guest and she felt he had a good effect on her boys. She spoke of helping Steve.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] then called on Mrs. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (her son) had asked them to tell her the story and was too embarrassed to be present. O'Donnell relayed [REDACTED] s story to her. He then told her of the Boy Scouts actions and her legal options.

She too was grateful to Steve in the past for his help with moving and her boys. She was very calm and talked of helping Steve Every.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] returned to [REDACTED] s home. [REDACTED] was still around the neighborhood and [REDACTED] asked him to go home and talk with his mother. [REDACTED] left.

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██████████ stopped ██████████ on the street and asked him if he had any contact with Every as reported. ██████████ didn't want to talk about it, but said Every had tried to hold hands with him and play with him and that's why he quit Scouts. He then told ██████████ he had told his mother all about it.

██████████ the other boy mentioned was at a sixth grade camp and could not be reached.

ADDENDUM:

In a meeting on Tuesday, September 30th, ██████████ and ██████████ met with Steve Every. In the course of the meeting Steve admitted having a problem and doing some unwise things. The three together made appointments for Steve with a counselor and an attorney.

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