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MENGM, THOMAS J.

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CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET  
REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE 11 April 1979

FULL NAME THOMAS J. MENGHI, JR  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS 1001 Miller Ave

CITY Fayetteville STATE NC ZIP CODE 28309

AGE 25 (This is important and should be exact)

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

RELIGION PROTESTANT NATIONALITY US Citizen

OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

EDUCATION High school graduate

WEIGHT 180 COLOR Caucasian HEIGHT 5'10"

COLOR OF HAIR BLACK COLOR OF EYES BROWN

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS injured leg in motor bike accident in 1969

MARRIED OR SINGLE SINGLE CHILDREN None  
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

WIFE'S NAME NA

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	OFFICE	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
<u>786</u>	<u>FAYETTEVILLE</u>	<u>NC</u>	<u>RALEIGH</u>	<u>1969</u>	

SPECIAL RECOGNITION \_\_\_\_\_

RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

*accused in writing and did not deny criminal charges of sodomy with young boy of Scout age at least 8 years Scout involved not always on Scout activities but all members of troop 786*

*James L. Hardwick, Jr. Scout Executive SC-421-14*  
Signed Walter P. Hood SCOUT EXECUTIVE  
Council 740

WATS CALL FORM

CALL BACK REQUESTED

COUNCIL # 416

PHONE NO: 704-982-0141

CALLER: Mr. ~~Wayne Wright~~  
Wainwright

POSITION: SE

TYPE OF PROBLEM

REGISTRATION \_\_\_\_\_ VETERANS \_\_\_\_\_ EXPLORING \_\_\_\_\_  
SCOUTING \_\_\_\_\_ BOYS' LIFE \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT # DIST. # EXP. DATE TRANSMITTAL # FILM #

This is the same man.  
Wants to know how to handle letting  
him know we are refusing his  
registration

He is aware we will need  
another adult to get unit on. Says  
he will call back next week.  
Just let him know it must  
be by Tuesday.

Will call Monday with  
HAW - SK CC 8-10-87

RETURN UNIT  
WRITE CREDIT  
Plum  
8-10-87

R/S-433  
3/13/86-c1f-567r

NAME Clair  
DATE 8-7-87  
TIME 9:15 AM

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No. 8273

# ADULT APPLICATION

PLEASE PRINT ONE LETTER IN EACH SPACE—  
PRESS HARD, YOU ARE MAKING THREE COPIES.

PACK NO. 90  
 TROOP NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
 TEAM NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OR \_\_\_\_\_  
 POST NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
 SHIP NO. \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL/DISTRICT POSITION \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

FULLY TRAINED

FIRST NAME AND INITIAL

LAST NAME

T H O M A S J M E M G H I

ADDRESS—STREET OR R.F.D.

DATE OF BIRTH

POSITION

2 2 4 3 W A L T E R S D I V R D

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C C (SC)

ADDITIONAL ADDRESS INFORMATION (if necessary)

MONTH DAY YEAR CODE  
BOYS' LIFE CHECK ONE SEX  
 NEW LEADER  
 FORMER LEADER M

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

M O N R O E N C 2 8 1 1 0 -

CIRCLE B OR H

B 2 8 3 - 6 6 4 8

H 6 4 - 8 7

N/A

Central NC

PHONE

DATE

PREVIOUS SCOUTING BACKGROUND

COUNCIL

Electronic Tech I Scott Aviation Monroe NC Thomas John Menghi

OCCUPATION, EMPLOYER, AND BUSINESS ADDRESS

SIGNATURE—SEE COVER

REGISTRATION FEE

BOYS' LIFE FEE

TERM (MONTHS)

UNIT RENEWAL DATE

\$ 2.50

\$ . . .

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1 1 8 7

MONTH YEAR

James M. Bratton

APPROVAL—SEE COVER

If applicant has an unexpired membership certificate, registration may be accomplished in this unit by a payment of 50 cents for processing the transfer. Check the box and attach certificate. It will be returned by the council.

FOR COUNCIL USE:

TRANSFER FROM

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL

NAT'L UNIT NO.

MEMBER ID NO.

NATIONAL COPY

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February 27, 1974

Mr. Wallace E. Wood  
Scout Executive  
Occoneechee Council, No. 421

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Thomas J. Menghi, Jr.

Dear Wally:

Thank you for your letter of February 13 and all the additional information concerning Mr. Thomas J. Menghi, Jr. of Fayetteville, North Carolina. This information will be most helpful to us and should give us all the information we need to maintain him on the confidential file.

I would not send any information to the psychiatrist unless your council attorney feels that it is absolutely necessary. I believe that any information they need can be obtained from other sources.

Normally we do not suggest that any legal action be instituted by parents. If they desire to do this on their own they certainly should bring about any action they feel necessary. Certainly, in this case, there is every indication that legal action is justified.

I believe you should send a letter to Mr. Menghi stating that he should remove himself from any scouting activities and that if he did not that it might be necessary to initiate legal action to make certain that he does not participate in any activities where scouts are present.

On advice of our legal counsel we are not separating this man from the National membership records. When any reregistration would come to us, we would not reregister him under any circumstances. We do suggest that in the meantime his name is deleted if it still appears on the charter renewal papers at the time Troop 786 is due to reregister.

Enclosed is a confidential record sheet which we need to update our personal information file concerning Mr. Menghi. This enables us to identify him if he

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Mr. Wallace Wood, Council #421

February 27, 1974

ever attempts to register in scouting again.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Executive  
Registration and Subscription

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May 10, 1974

Mr. Wallace E. Wood  
Scout Executive  
Occoneechee Council, No.421

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Thomas J. Menghi, Jr.

Dear Wally:

Thank you for the confidential record sheet concerning  
Thomas J. Menghi. We have added this information to our  
file. This will be most helpful for identification purposes  
in the future, should he again try to register in Scouting.

Sincerely,

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Paul I. Ernst, Executive  
Registration and Subscription

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# IDENTIFICATION QUESTIONNAIRE

COUNCIL NO. 416	DISTRICT NO. 6	UNIT C3090
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RETURN PROMPTLY TO:  
Registration and Subscription  
Boy Scouts of America  
(MARKED PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL)

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**URGENT-SECOND REQUEST**

SCOUTER THOMAS J. MENGHI POSITION \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Lived in \_\_\_\_\_? YES NO  
 Is first or middle name \_\_\_\_\_? YES NO

Full name \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Middle Last

Exact age \_\_\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_\_\_ How long married \_\_\_\_\_?

Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_ Names and ages \_\_\_\_\_

Education \_\_\_\_\_ Where \_\_\_\_\_?

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Race \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hair } red \_\_\_\_\_ brown \_\_\_\_\_  
 brown \_\_\_\_\_ blue \_\_\_\_\_  
 blond \_\_\_\_\_ hazel \_\_\_\_\_  
 black \_\_\_\_\_ Eyes } green \_\_\_\_\_  
 gray \_\_\_\_\_ black \_\_\_\_\_  
 gray \_\_\_\_\_

Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 Scout Executive

*Per Call from the Council*  
*W. Wainwright*  
*MAN 8-7-87 CM*

**READY FOR FILE**  
**AUG 11 1987**

—ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN SHADED AREAS AND AS MANY OTHERS AS POSSIBLE—

No. 28-906

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October 18, 1973

Mr. Robert L. Calvert  
Scout Executive  
Crossroads of America Council, No. 160

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Bob:

I have reviewed our file concerning Randy Merritt and am in agreement that we should again place him on probation for two years. If you desire to register him, we will approve the registration and probably send you a routine letter indicating that we will review each year Randy's service and determine if he will continue to be registered.

At the time the offenses occurred, he was quite young and perhaps the additional time and maturity will cause him to be a good leader for Scouting.

If you have other questions or problems related to this, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Executive  
Registration and Subscription

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February 27, 1974

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Scout Executive  
Occoneechee Council, No. 421

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February 27, 1974

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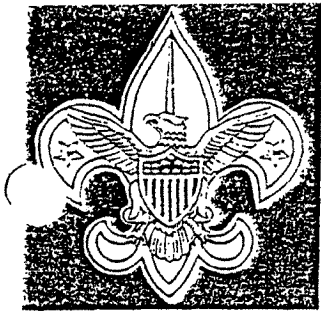
Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Executive  
Registration and Subscription

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# BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

OCCONEECHEE COUNCIL No. 421

1005 WADE AVENUE, P. O. BOX 12377, RALEIGH, N. C. 27605, TELEPHONE 919/828-966

February 13, 1974

Mr. Paul Ernst  
Registration Service  
National Council, B. S. A.  
North Brunswick, N. J. 08902

Dear Paul:

Enclosed are statements recounting some serious and sordid deeds of sexual misconduct by Mr. T. J. Menghi, Jr., of 1001 Miller Ave., Fayetteville, N. C. 28304, serving until recently as Scoutmaster of our Troop 786. I am sure this man should be placed on our confidential list.

We have also enclosed a photostatic copy of a letter he has just written to us requesting that copies of these statements be sent to his psychiatrist. I have not encountered such a request before, and I am reluctant to comply with the request without some competent advice. I'd certainly like to know what you would suggest we do.

Another aspect of this case, I think, might turn out to involve some litigation. Personally, if a son of mine had been involved in one of these instances, I think I'd be considering some kind of legal action to have this man placed somewhere so that he could not molest any more boys. I wonder if we should possibly advise parents along this line, but I also wonder if we might not be named in any suit brought against the man. Would you have any advice about this?

One further development is that after we had dealt with the sponsoring institution and the Troop Committee and secured agreements that the man would be replaced as Scoutmaster, and after having clearly instructed the man that he was to have no further connections with Scouting and no further contacts with Scouts, he showed up at a Troop outing, and reportedly camped there.

This is about the stickiest one I've ever handled. I'd welcome your advice.

Most Sincerely,

Wallace E. Wood  
Scout Executive

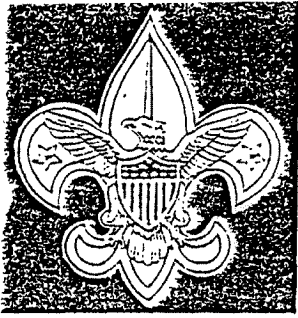
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cc: Mr. George Hardwick

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OCCONEECHEE COUNCIL No. 421

1005 WADE AVENUE, P. O. BOX 12377, RALEIGH, N. C. 27605, TELEPHONE 919/828-9

February 15, 1974

Mr. Paul I. Ernst  
Registration Service  
National Council, B. S. A.  
North Brunswick, N. J. 08902

Dear Paul:

I wrote you two days ago concerning the placing of Mr. T. J. Menghi, Jr. on our confidential list. I indicated that I was sending you some copies of reports we had on the conduct of this man, but I failed to include them. They are enclosed herewith.

Most Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wallace E. Wood".

Wallace E. Wood  
Scout Executive

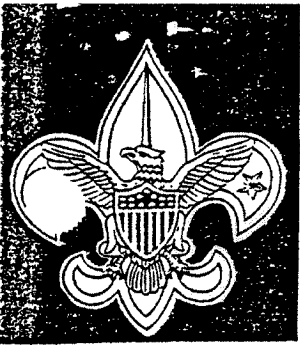
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OCCONEECHEE COUNCIL No. 421

1005 WADE AVENUE, P. O. BOX 12377, RALEIGH, N. C. 27605, TELEPHONE 919/828-9662

Memorandum for Record

13 January 1974

Subject: SM Thomas J. Menghi, Jr. (Troop 786)

Friday, 11 January 1974

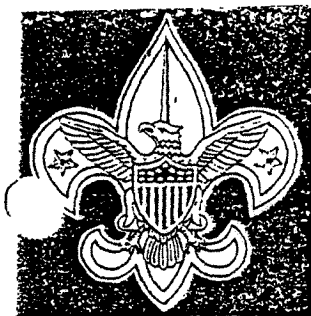
- 4:40 PM Wallace Wood advised that he had received a call from [REDACTED] reference the Scoutmaster of T 786 molesting his son.
- 7:30 PM I met in the home of [REDACTED] with her and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. These three mothers stated that their sons had been sexually molested. I had them prepare a written statement. (Incl # 1).
- 9:00 PM I spoke with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. A summary of this conversation is attached (Incl # 2).

Saturday, 12 January 1974

- 9:30 AM Advised Wallace Wood that I was satisfied with what I had found and believed that Tom Menghi had committed Sodomy with three boys and possibly seven others.
- 11:30 AM Met with Mr. Joseph Johnson, Troop Committee Chairman at St. Pauls in the Pines Episcopal Church and advised him that Tom Menghi had no place in Scouting and the Troop would have to secure a new Scoutmaster. I told him why.
- 12:00 PM Met with Mr. Doug Parish, Fayetteville Optimist Club President. The Optimist Club sponsors Troop 786. I discussed this with him and advised that Tom Menghi was no longer associated with Scouting.
- 1:00 PM Advised George Heib, District Scout Commissioner of what I was doing and requested that he meet with me and Tom Menghi. He set an appointment with Tom Menghi for 3:00 PM in his office.

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1005 WADE AVENUE, P. O. BOX 12377, RALEIGH, N. C. 27605, TELEPHONE 919/828-9662

Saturday, 12 January 1974

2:00 PM Spoke with [REDACTED] and secured a statement from him. (Incl # 3).

3:00 PM Met in the office of George Heib. Present were:  
George Heib  
George Hardwick  
Tom Parks  
Tom Menghi

I asked Tom Menghi if he knew why we were meeting and he said yes. I asked the question again and added "even without my reading these statements?" He again replied to the affirmative.

I told him who had made the statements and read a portion of the statement by [REDACTED]

I told Tom Menghi that this was Sodomy and he acknowledged this and stated that he was seeing a doctor and his minister about this (This is true.)

I further told him that I had a list of seven other names but had not talked with the boys or parents about it however, if any of the parents wanted to know why he was out of Scouting and were to ask me I would have to reveal the fact that their Son's name was on the list.

Tom Menghi was advised that he was out of Scouting; that I would prepare a report and forward it to Wallace Wood for his necessary action.

Sunday, 13 January 1974

11:30 AM

[REDACTED] told me that in discussion with her two sons, the eldest acknowledged that Tom Menghi has sexually molested him while under the influence of ~~###~~ alcohol.

George F. Hardwick, Sr.  
District Scout Executive  
Kia Kima District  
Fayetteville, North Carolina

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OCCONEECHEE COUNCIL No. 421

1005 WADE AVENUE, P. O. BOX 12377, RALEIGH, N. C. 27605. TELEPHONE 919/S28-9662

Summary of discussion with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

Most of the incidents occurred in the motel room of Thomas J. Menghi, Jr. Several did occur during a Scout function, i.e. -troop campout.

The Troop meetings are each Tuesday night.

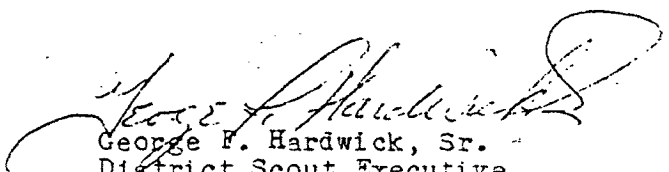
Thomas J. Menghi, Jr works for [REDACTED] and on Wednesdays drives a Tupperware Delivery truck.

On Tuesday night, following the Troop meeting and always with the parents permission the Scouts would go with Tom to his motel room in order to go with him the following day on his delivery run.

Sometimes during the night, mostly early in the morning, the boy would be wakened from sleep by Tom kissing him and sucking his penis. This happened several times to each of the [REDACTED] boys.

[REDACTED] said it did not happen to him however all the boys in the troop knew Tom was homosexual and even talked about it. I asked who these boys were and they prepared me a list. (Not included with this copy of memorandum.)

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Comment: I asked these three Scouts if they would repeat this in front of their minister and Tom Menghi and they said they would.

  
George F. Hardwick, Sr.  
District Scout Executive  
Kia Kima District  
Fayetteville, North Carolina

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January 12, 1974

I, [redacted] of [redacted] hereby make the following statement in regards to accusations of homosexuality and child molest against Tom Menghi Jr, Scoutmaster of Troop 786, Fayetteville.

On the 22nd of December 1973, our youngest daughter [redacted] age 13, brought to my wife and myself's attention that an incident had occurred between our boys, [redacted] age 12, and [redacted] age 11, with Tom Menghi. I had overheard our boys talking about being molested by Tom Menghi and being afraid of both attending scouting and telling us. [redacted] told our boys that they would have to tell us. They said they were too embarrassed to, so [redacted] went to her mother and she in turn informed me.

I immediately took my boys (INCL 3)

out for a ride by ourselves.  
 to discuss the problem [redacted]  
 stated that Tom Mengli had  
 tried to molest him on one  
 occasion while spending a night  
 with him while helping with  
 Tupperware deliveries. [redacted] stated  
 he resisted and made believe  
 he was asleep. I personally think  
 happened, because [redacted] is very  
 upset and gets very emotional  
 at the mere mention of Tom's  
 name. [redacted] originally stated that  
 he was molested on one occasion  
 while on a scout camp out,  
 but his uncle told me  
 he has been molested approx-  
 imately four times. I asked  
 both of the boys why they  
 didn't tell us or someone,  
 they stated that they were  
 afraid and also that they  
 didn't think grown-ups would  
 believe such things about Tom.

My boy also named many

other boys who had had the  
 some experience some had quit  
 scouting to get away from Tom. One  
 boy named [redacted]  
 who is a neighbor and spends  
 considerable time there at the  
 house. I questioned [redacted] here  
 at my home and he stated  
 he had been molested several  
 times by Tom Mengli, while on  
 scout camp out on [redacted] deliveries.  
 [redacted] did not want  
 me to tell his parents because  
 he was so embarrassed. I decided  
 not to for the time being until  
 I got more facts. I did tell  
 [redacted] that they would have to  
 be told sooner or later and  
 that I would go with him  
 when he was ready.

with this information I decided  
 to withdraw my boys from up-  
 coming 50 miles and from Troop  
 786 until problem of Tom Mengli  
 could be solved.

On December 23, 1973, Tom Mengli came to my house as my boys had not shown up for inspection of equipment for 50 miles and he was also informed by the [redacted] that they were not going. Tom came into the house and sat down, I informed him that the boys were not going on the 50 miles and plus that we were all withdrawing from the troop. He immediately had a very funny pale look on his face and I sensed that he knew why, but he asked anyway. I stated that the troop had a problem that I didn't want my boys associated with. He asked what it was. I at that time asked him outside to further discuss it. Upon going outside, my next words were, "The problem in the troop is you." I asked if he knew what I was talking about. He hung his head

and said "you mean homosexual".  
 I said yes, is it true what  
 my boys said about what you  
 did to them. Tom said "I  
 don't know, what did they  
 say." I then told him the  
 story of what I had been  
 told. Tom said he could  
 not remember of ever doing  
 anything to my boys. I then  
 told Tom that other parents knew  
 of this and that we wanted him  
 out of scouting and to seek  
 medical assistance, he said he  
 would. I told him if he  
 didn't do these two things, he  
 would be reported. I also  
 told him I knew this was  
 a sickness and if I could  
 help him to let me know,  
 but he must do the first  
 two things I mentioned. I told  
 him not many parents would  
 ever take the time to talk  
 with him, they would have  
 just had him arrested.

That was the end of our conversation and he departed

On or about January 3, 1974, Tom Meyli called me and said the troop needed me I had worked previously with the troop before this all took place Tom said he was seeking professional help and needed me to work with him for a month until he got things straightened out I told Tom I would meet with him at the next scout meeting, Tuesday, January 8, 1974.

I met with Tom on the night of January 8, 1974, he seemed of high spirits and joyful. He said he was seeing a psychiatrist and also a preacher and hoped to work out any problems if he had any. In this discussion he outright denied of ever doing anything to my boys, it also appeared to me that he had

no intentions of getting out of the scouts. I then brought to his attention if he did not quit scouting he would be reported. Tom said he would resign immediately as scoutmaster but still wanted to be in on planning and outings. I decided it was no use talking any more about it, so I departed

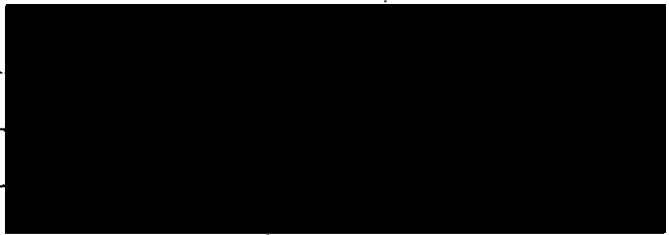
after thinking it over for two days and talking to other parents, I decided to report all facts to Boy Scout Headquarters in Raleigh. I did this on January 11, 1974 to Mr. Wallace Wood.

I had no knowledge of any wrongdoing or ever suspected Tom prior to information coming to me. I have worked with Tom and the scouts on numerous occasions, even had Tom in my home as a friend and joined us at meals. He has greatly abused this

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family and scouting. It is only  
out of great embarrassment to my  
boys that I don't have him  
arrested. I do want Tom Menghi  
told that if he tries to  
communicate or do any harm  
to the family or if I ever  
hear of him molesting or  
attempting to molest another person,  
I will report all these facts  
to the police.





FEB 4-1974

TO: WALLACE Wood  
OCCONFEE COUNCIL INC  
Boy Scouts of America  
P.O. Box 12377  
(1005 Wade Ave)  
RALEIGH N.C. 27605

FROM: T. J. MENGHI JR.  
1001 Miller Ave  
Fayetteville NC  
28304

Dear Sir:

I AM requesting a set of copies  
(A complete set) concerning the recent  
charges levied against me dealing with  
alleged sexual misconduct - on Trip 786.

I further request that these copies  
be forwarded to my psychiatrist directly  
and immediately. The address is:

Dr DAN HALL  
Mt Vernon Manor  
P.O. Box 405  
Hope Mills N.C.  
28348

ph. 425-6167

I feel you must realize that it is  
imperative that I review these charges  
with a professional consultant.

I will also at a later date appeal to  
the Boy Scouts of America by due process  
to be reinstated official registration  
with the same.

copy to Dan Hall —

Sincerely  
Thomas J. Menghi Jr.

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7:54 PM

11 Jan 1974

During the summer of 73 my son [redacted] was on 2-3 day trips at different intervals with his troop leader Tom Menghi, during this time my son [redacted] that Mr. Menghi sexually molested him, and was somewhat threatened when trying to call us, his parents. My son has admitted to us that it has happened to him at 3 different times. He was a very good leader as far as training the boys, it is certainly a shame and I feel he ~~needs~~ needs help from a professional person.

I am [redacted] and my three sons [redacted] are members of Troop 786. I found out through my children on December 23 that they had been molested, [redacted] physically, and [redacted] attempted, by their Scoutmaster Tom Menghi at one of their last preparatory hikes prior to the 50 miles Dec 26, 73.

I also [redacted] found out through the [redacted] family of their boys' huddle in the Scout Troop 786. Upon questioning my son [redacted] he told me he had never been molested personally, but was aware, together with most boys of the troop, that their Scoutmaster was in some sexual and that he was told by [redacted] that [redacted] had

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