

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE February 23, 1988

FULL NAME WALTER FANNON SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER Not known  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS [Redacted] (37 years) [Redacted]

CITY WOLLASTON STATE MA. ZIP CODE 02169

DATE OF BIRTH March 23 1915 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 72 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)  
*Previous check shows conflicting age data with above*

RELIGION Not known NATIONALITY American U.S.

OCCUPATION Retired

EDUCATION Not known

WEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_ HEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_ RACE white

COLOR OF HAIR \_\_\_\_\_ COLOR OF EYES \_\_\_\_\_

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS \_\_\_\_\_

MARRIED OR SINGLE [Redacted] CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

NAME OF SPOUSE \_\_\_\_\_

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	POSITION	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
Troop 5	South Boston	ma.	MC/SM	1967+. 1986	11/86 Simplified
<i>Previous Scouting experience somewhere "59" years of affiliation</i>					

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

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:  
*1) Reported sex offender - sexual contact of misconduct with boys.*

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

CONFIDENTIAL

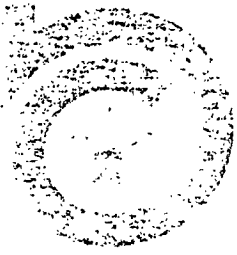
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F. STARON

RS-509  
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MAR 28 1988  
JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Signed [Signature]  
SCOUT EXECUTIVE  
Council Greater Boston Council Inc. BSA



Greater Boston Council  
 Boy Scouts of America  
 1000 Beacon Street  
 Boston, MA 02116-1000

February 24, 1988

Director, Registered Scout Executive Division &  
 Ecclesiastical Service  
 1000 Beacon Street  
 Boston, MA 02116-1000

Information concerning the above Scouter.  
 and is now on our permanent

files, but any information other than  
 descriptive letter is hard to come

by the  
 of the  
 possibly, who was  
 preceded by

reported date of birth. No one on our  
 of our dealings were with Mr. Gil  
 coordinator until his death in 1986.  
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 APR 05 1988  
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ing, I have no reason for a personal  
 A copy of the complaint is attached  
 al arrest card.

Sincerely,

Erik L. Nystrom  
 Scout Executive





The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
FOR THE NORFOLK DISTRICT  
SEXUAL ASSAULT UNIT

WILLIAM D. DELAHUNT  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

PATRICIA NIGRELLI  
DIRECTOR/INVESTIGATOR

P.O. BOX 309  
360 WASHINGTON STREET  
DEDHAM, MASS. 02026

June 23, 1987

Emergency No.: 326-1111

Sgt. Daniel Lyons  
Quincy Police Department  
[REDACTED]  
Quincy, MA 02169

Re: Walter Fannon

[REDACTED]  
Wollaston, MA  
[REDACTED]

Age 65

D.O.B - 3-23-15

Dear Sgt. Lyons:

Recently I received a telephone call from [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, telephone [REDACTED]. He apparently was sexually assaulted by Walter Fannon a number of years ago.

South 110-6-4  
Group 5  
So. Boston

Evidently Fannon was a Boy Scout Leader and would take boys from single parent homes in South Boston, bring them to his home in Wollaston, give them beer and then assault them. He also would take the boys to the Hale Reservation in Westwood and to Maine. [REDACTED] was one of these boys. He has been in therapy and can just recently talk about what happened to him.

[REDACTED] is very upset because a few weeks ago Mr. Fannon called him in Florida asking him, if he [REDACTED] had any young sons that would like to visit him (Mr. Fannon) in Quincy.

When [REDACTED] called me, I requested that he write out what happened to him and send it to me, a copy of which I am enclosing.

Could you possibly check Mr. Fannon out to see if he has any kind of record. Also, see if there are a number of young boys hanging around his house.

[redacted] has given me permission, that if you decide to contact Fannon, you can make him aware that [redacted] has lodged a formal complaint against him with the District Attorney's Office, even though the statute of limitations has run out. [redacted] main concern is other young boys that Mr. Fannon maybe molesting.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Very truly yours,

PATRICIA M. NIGRELLI  
Director/Investigator  
Sexual Assault Unit

PMN:cmm

Enclosure

*Retrieved  
New 1986  
59 years*

# NARRATIVE

CASE REPORT - [ ]  
ARREST REPORT - [ ]

CASE #

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QUINCY POLICE DEPARTMENT NARRATIVE REPORT

VICTIMS NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)  
OR FIRM NAME IF A BUSINESS

LOCATION OF INCIDENT  
HOUSE NO., ST. NAME

DATE OF INCIDENT

BLOCK NO. INDICATE BLOCK NO. IN LEFT MARGIN FROM INVESTIGATIVE CASE REPORT.

TO: CAPTAIN ROWELL, B. C. I. S.

*Sexual Assault*

FROM: DETS. SGT. D. LYONS & J. SALAMONE

PAST SEXUAL ASSAULT BY: WALTER FANNON AGE 72 YEARS

SIR:

On June 25, 1987 the Quincy Police Juvenile Unit received information from the Norfolk County Sexual Assault Unit regarding a letter they had received from [redacted] of [redacted] Palm Beach Garden Florida [redacted] that the above named Walter Fannon had sexually molested him twenty five years ago. The reason [redacted] called was due to receiving a telephone call from Mr. Fannon a few weeks ago asking if he had any sons and would they like to visit him in Quincy, memories of Walter Fannon molesting him when he was 17 years old and that he could still be doing it so outrageous that he wrote the letter informing the D. A. Office copies of [redacted] letter and request from Sexual Assault Unit to investigate enclosed.

On June 26, 1987 we went to [redacted] and interviewed Mr. Fannon. He was informed that a complaint had been filed at the Norfolk County Sexual Assault Unit by [redacted] Florida [redacted] he understood it the complaint was read to him. He denied [redacted] allegations telling us that [redacted] was an alcoholic. He admitted to calling [redacted] by telephone the reason being that two of his friends were going to the Palm Beach area and wanted to look him up. He informed us he was been divorced for years and lives

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BADGES # (S)

SUPERVISOR

*Sexual Assault*

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alone. He has lived at his present address for 37 years. He was v

active with the Boy Scouts but not in recent years. When asked why

██████████ would make these allegations he said I dont know. When

asked if he was a homosexual Mr. Fannon said no. He then made the

statement I was accused of sex offenses years ago but they were

never proven. Check of our records showasa complaint filed

october 8, 1952 file by a Sgt. McDonald (Copy enclosed) of a young b

being sexually assaulted. Mr. Fannon was very nervous during the

interview and kept repeating I wouldn't do that. Mr. Fannon was

advised that this investigation would be ongoing.

██████████ contacted Mike Siernan Scout Executive

of Boy Scouts of America ████ Canton Mass. and informed him

of complaint filed by ██████████ he informed us they would check

on Mr. Fannon's status with scouts and if active they would

deactive it.

7-13-87

Contacted by Eric Nystrom  
Boy Scout Div re above complaint  
Informed that Mr Fannon retired  
14 Nov 86 after 59 years in  
scouting. Would make sure  
he does not get involved  
in Scouting again  
D x J

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SUPERVISOR

*[Handwritten signature]*

REPORTING OFFICER

NO NCIC WANT LIC/ 983F LIS/MA.

KEYS USED = LIC/983F.LIS/MA MSG NO = 00000047304

CJIS 47325 248 06/23/87 2255 S5132/752.

A LEAPS UNSOLICITED ADMIN MESSAGE  
FOR : LQUI01 DATE: 062387 TIME: 2255  
ACTION : DRIVES QRY RESPONSE  
SENT BY: MARMV0000

STATUS ACTIVE /

REG 983F EFF 04/01/87 EXP 03/89 INS 907-UNITED SERVICES GROUP  
FANNON , WALTER C LIC

[REDACTED] QUINCY , MA 02169

[REDACTED] NO Z57

VIN 1G4E257Y9FE427222 TITLE W766705 6PASS 8CL GASOLINE AUTOMATIC. ><

*Not indicated  
on the license at section  
number*

NAME-SIGNATURE IN PRISONER'S HAND											SEX	COLOR
FANNON, Walter C.											M/X	W
ADDRESS											12344	
[REDACTED]											TYPE NAME HERE	
ALIASES											Quincy, Mass.	
ACCOMPLICES												
DATE OF ARREST				DEPT. OR INSTITUTION				PHOTO NO.				
HEIGHT		COMP.	BUILD	WEIGHT		EYES		HAIR				
OCCUPATION						D. OF B.		BIRTH PLACE				
CRIME											GROUP NO.	
Information (sex)											?	
PLEASE DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE												
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PURGED



February 5, 1988

Mr. Erik L. Nystrom  
Council Executive  
Greater Boston Council, No. 227

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Walter Fannon

Dear Erik:

I really need a Confidential Record Sheet completed so that we may identify Mr. Fannon should he attempt registration at another time. I am enclosing another sheet which I would like to have completed with as much information as you have available. This will certainly enable us to identify him should he attempt to reassociate himself with the BSA.

Please let me know if you have any concerns or questions related to this. In the meantime, I would like to have the form so we may close this particular file.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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Encl.

cc: Northeast Region

CONF021675

December 3, 1987

Mr. Erik L. Nystron  
Council Executive  
Greater Boston Council, No. 227

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Walter Fannon

Dear Erik:

I am following up on our correspondence dated October 13, in which I asked for a Confidential Record Sheet to be completed so we could identify Mr. Fannon and refuse registration anywhere he might attempt to register. I am enclosing another sheet for your use so that you may give us the information which you have available.

I believe we have everything else we need, at this time, to refuse registration. Please send me this completed Record Sheet so that I may complete the file and protect other youth.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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Encl.

cc: Northeast Region

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CONF021676

October 13, 1987

Mr. Erik L. Nystrom  
Council Executive  
Greater Boston Council, No. 227

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Walter Fannon

Dear Erik:

This is a follow up to our previous communication concerning the above named individual. I believe I have all the information I need to refuse registration should an attempt be made.

I would like a Confidential Record Sheet completed so we can identify Mr. Fannon any where he should attempt registration. I am enclosing another Confidential Sheet for your use. Please complete this with as much information as possible.

Thanks for your help in protecting the youth of America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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Enclosure

cc: Northeast Region

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OCT 14 1987

ERIN O'RILEY

CONF021677

July 28, 1987

Mr. Erik L. Nystrom  
Council Executive  
Greater Boston Council, No. 227

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Walter Fannon

Dear Erik:

Thank you for the material which you recently sent us concerning the above individual. I have also contacted Sargeant Lyons and he has sent me some additional material.

I would like the enclosed Confidential Record Sheet completed so that we may identify Mr. Fannon should he try to register at a later time. I believe we then have enough material to refuse registration should any attempt be made.

Please let me know if I may be of help to you.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration & Subscription Service

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Encl.

cc: Northeast Region

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JUL 28 1987

ERIN O'RILEY

*Added to CR file  
7-30-87 em  
Not registered  
at this time*

CONF021678

6-25-87

NORFOLK COUNTY - LTR FROM  
10-86 KEVIN BURKE  
1992 - RECORD IN FLA.



QUINCY, MA.  
DIVORCED

1982 - CHAR

SGT LYONS WILL SEND  
FILE - 7-22-87



greater boston council  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

891 Centre Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02130

July 14, 1987

Mr. Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration, Subscription & Statistical Serv.  
National Council, Boy Scouts of America  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
Irving, TX 75038-3096

Dear Paul:

In June, I was notified about a potential child abuse concern by a neighboring Council Executive, who had been contacted by Sgt. Dan Lyons of the Quincy Police Department, [REDACTED].

It seems that a Walter Fannon had purportedly telephoned a former Scout in Florida about his son's accepting an invitation to visit him here in Boston. The former Scout's name was [REDACTED]. During this call, Mr. Fannon mentioned his recent and past association with Scouting.

[REDACTED] wrote a long letter on June 25, 1987 to the Dedham Police and Norfolk County District Attorney's office about a prior purported attack on his person some 25 years prior, when he was a Scout in Troop 5, South Boston. Since the statute of limitation has expired, no formal charges can be filed. However, Sgt. Lyons met with Mr. Fannon and confronted him with the charges, which he denied. There had been previous charges against Mr. Fannon in the 1950's which are a matter of record in a separate incident, which were never proven, October 8, 1952. Nevertheless, where there's smoke, there's fire. Sgt. Lyon's concern was if Mr. Fannon was still involved with Scouting. Troop 5, South Boston was disbanded last year. The letter from Mr. Fannon is attached.

Sgt. Lyons said no proof exists, but in his questioning of Mr. Fannon, he (Mr. Fannon) seemed nervous. His gut reaction is that something did happen. Troop 5 has been an independent Troop, never camping at council camps, but in Maine on private property, not attending council or district events, etc. This corroborates [REDACTED] written testimony of the Troop camping at other locations, where the alleged assaults occurred during his tenure.

I believe the information is sufficient to deny his registration or reentry in our council. I'm informing you of the purported incidents should you wish to place his name on the confidential file for all councils, should he attempt reentry in neighboring Scout councils.

I understand the letter from [REDACTED] was quite explicit, although I do not have a copy of same. If you need additional information, you may contact Sgt. Lyons directly at the Quincy Police Department.

Sincerely yours,

Erik L. Nystrom  
Council Executive



cc: Sgt Dan Lyons, QPD  
Newman Flanagan, President  
Mary Maloney, Registrar

Walter C. Fannon

Quincy, Massachusetts 02170

November 30, 1986

Mr. Erik Nystrom  
Scout Executive  
Boston Council  
Boy Scouts of America  
Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

Dear Erik,

This is to inform you that I have decided to retire as Scoutmaster of Troop 3, South Boston. At our last meeting of the Troop Committee I inquired if any of the committee were interested in continuing and they did not show an interest. They have also resigned.

Since Mr. Van Osdol passed on we have lost our enthusiasm for Scouting. He was the spark that kept us going.

It is with regret that I inform you of this decision because I have enjoyed my long 59-year association with Scouting. I have enjoyed every minute of it.

I have contacted our sponsor, the South Boston Neighborhood House and have informed the new Executive Director, Mr. Jerry Dwyer of our decision.

Our Troop used to meet at the Neighborhood House but the previous directors (Joe Murray and Mike Taylor) made arrangements with Mr. Van Osdol to have them meet at the Gate of Heaven Church Hall because of lack of space at the Neighborhood House. Mr. Dwyer also mentioned there is still lack of space even at this time.

Best regards for a successful 1987 program of Scouting.

Sincerely yours,



Walter C. Fannon