

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

DATE MAY 16, 1968

Full Name OVERTURF, JAMES E.....  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address Formerly: 10934 Liberty Grove Dr.  
*PRESENT ADDRESS: RAMBLIN ROSE APT. - SOCIETY 95th x ROUTE 83*

City Willow Springs State Illinois  
*16 W 626 HINSDALE ILLINOIS*

Age 25 (This is important and should be exact)  
*DATE OF BIRTH - 3-25-42*

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

Religion LUTHERAN Nationality \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation Designer at Hydrotechnic Corp., Hinsdale, Ill.

Education \_\_\_\_\_

Weight ~~480~~ 210 Color White Height 5'8"

Color of hair BROWN Color of eyes HAZEL

Outstanding characteristics or interests SCAR ON RIGHT THIGH - X MARK  
*HAS A TWIN BROTHER (JOHN RAMBOLPH OVER*

Married or single SINGLE Children \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Wife's name \_\_\_\_\_

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

Unit #	City	State	Office	Date Reg'd.	Date resigned
<i>TO CONTACT MARINE WISCONSIN WHERE I UNDERSTAND HE WAS LAST REGISTERED -</i>					

Special recognition \_\_\_\_\_

Recommended for Confidential File for following reasons:

*Does not act with Scout.*

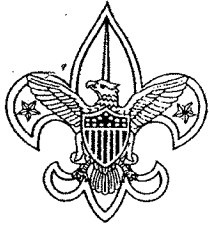
Signed *Robert M. Plinson*  
Scout Executive

GC-294-31

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Mobile Area Council, Inc.

REGION V - COUNCIL NO. 4

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

1170-B Beltline Highway, South  
Mobile, Alabama 36609

June 8, 1970

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National Office  
Boy Scouts of America  
North Brunswick, New Jersey 08902

Gentlemen:

Mr. James E. Overturf's registration was turned down by you. Please refer to the Confidential Desk. He is no longer a Scoutmaster for Troop 123. Rev. Ersters Maxie is the new Scoutmaster. Registration information was sent to you on the new Scoutmaster.

Thank you.

Margaret Watson  
Registrar

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# IDENTIFICATION QUESTIONNAIRE

COUNCIL No. 418	UNIT Tr. 100
COUNCIL SCOUTER	

### RETURN PROMPTLY TO:

Director of Registration  
Boy Scouts of America

Date 7/29/69

(MARKED PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL)

SCOUTER: James E. Overturf

Applying for registration as SM

Germany, Texas? So. Carolina? (On your Transmittal No. \_\_\_\_\_)

Ever located in Willow Springs - Hinsdale, Ill.?

Where was he living in 1962-66? 1968?

What is present occupation? Designer

Is he White, with brown hair and Hazel eyes? Yes

Is he 5'8", weight about 210 Lbs.? Yes

Was he a single man in 4/68? Yes

Does he have a twin brother - John Randolph? NO

Ever employed as Designer at Hydrotechnic Corp.

Hinsdale, Ill.? Yes

Date 9-12-69 Signature James E. Overturf, Jr. act. S.E.  
Scout Executive

—PLEASE ANSWER ON THIS FORM—



THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

**JAMES E OVERTURF**

IS REGISTERED WITH THE  
**BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**

TROOP 100

GREENSBORO NC

SCOUTMASTER  
TO THE LAST DAY OF

418 MAY 1970

THIS CERTIFICATE IS NOT TRANSFERABLE AND IS  
VOID AFTER EXPIRATION DATE. IT MUST BE SHOWN  
LOCAL DISTRIBUTOR WHEN PURCHASING UNIFORM.

James E. Overturf, Jr. PRESIDENT  
James E. Overturf, Jr. CHIEF SCOUT EXECUTIVE

NO. 28-405

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June 3, 1970

Mr. Harvey A. Yarbrough  
Scout Executive  
Mobile Area Council, No. 4

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: James E. Overturf

Dear Mr. Yarbrough:

On April 30 we sent you a letter asking you for a replacement of James E. Overturf as Scoutmaster of Troop 123. Since we have not received a reply to this request, we are assuming that no replacement can be found and we are canceling the registration of Troop 123. Enclosed is a credit notice to cover the Troop's registration fee of \$38.00.

Sincerely,

Earl L. Krall, Director  
Registration and Fulfillment Service

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Enc. Credit Notice

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May 25, 1970

~~APRIL 30, 1970~~

MR. HARVEY A. YARBROUGH  
SCOUT EXECUTIVE  
MOBILE AREA COUNCIL, # 4

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: TROOP 123

DEAR MR. YARBROUGH:

ALTHOUGH WE WROTE YOU ON FEBRUARY 24 AND AGAIN ON APRIL 8, CONCERNING THE REPLACEMENT OF JAMES E. OVERTURE AS SCOUTMASTER OF TROOP 123, WE HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED THE REGISTRATION OF A NEW SCOUTMASTER FOR THIS TROOP.

WOULDN'T YOU PLEASE TAKE THIS UP WITH THE CRAIG HEAD SCHOOL P.T.A. WHICH SPONSORS THE TROOP AND SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE TO REGISTER ANOTHER LEADER?

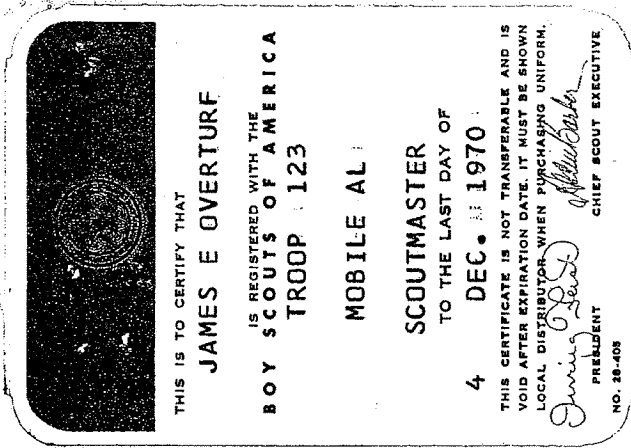
WE ARE CONTINUING TO HOLD THE TROOP APPLICATION, UNTIL MAY 29. IF, AT THAT TIME, WE HAVE NOT HEARD FROM YOU, WE'LL ASSUME THAT NO ACTION IS TO BE TAKEN AND WILL CANCEL THE REGISTRATION.

SINCERELY,

EARL L. KRALL, DIRECTOR  
REGISTRATION AND FULFILLMENT SERVICE

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RM

TS/MS/KS v. BSA, et al. Cause No. 03-23727-MS  
Produced Pursuant to Protective Order



February 24, 1970

Mr. Harvey A. Yarbrough  
 Scout Executive  
 Mobile Area Council, No. 4

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
 Re: James E. Overturf  
Scoutmaster, Troop 123

Dear Mr. Yarbrough:

You recently sent us the Scouter application for James Overturf, Azalea Road, Cabana Apt. A6, Mobile, Alabama, to serve as Scoutmaster of Troop 123 in District 1. We regret to inform you that we cannot accept Mr. Overturf's application.

When informing Mr. Overturf about this, simply tell him that the National Council does not wish to accept his registration in the Boy Scouts of America. If Mr. Overturf should raise any questions as to reason, you might indicate to him that registration in the Boy Scouts of America is a privilege and not a right and that the National Council reserves the prerogative to accept those individuals it feels will best serve the interests of the organization.

We are herewith enclosing a credit notice of \$2.00. Kindly delete Mr. Overturf's name from your records.

Please submit another application with fee for the replacement of Mr. Overturf as Scoutmaster. Please be sure to attach the enclosed referral slip with the new application so that it comes directly to our attention and we can release this unit without further delay.

Sincerely,

Earl L. Krall, Director  
 Registration and Fulfillment Service

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*Unit appl. + credit notice returned 6/10/70  
 change made + mailed 6/11/70 eak*

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# APPLICATION FOR ADULT REGISTRATION

## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY			
REGION NO.	COUNCIL NO.	DISTRICT NO.	(Type of unit) NATIONAL NO.
5	4	1	T 123
Expiration date <u>12/70</u> Boys' Life term _____			
Registration term <u>12</u> Boys' Life start issue _____			
Unit leader fully trained <input type="checkbox"/>			

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE FILLED OUT PERSONALLY BY EACH ADULT WHO IS NOT LISTED ON THE UNIT CHARTER APPLICATION OR COUNCIL ROSTER AND WHO:

STATUS

1. Registers for the first time, regardless of position. (New)

2. Has been separated and is reregistering. (Sep.-Re.)

3. Is now registered in this council, separating from current position and transferring to new position. Please submit Separation Notice for position individual is leaving. (Transfer)

4. Is now registered in another council. (Transfer)

BOYS' LIFE

Check box for subscription to *Boys' Life* magazine.

Half-price membership rate to registered Scouters is \$2 a year or 17 cents a month. See reverse side.

Name James E. Overturf  
(Please print or type full name)

Street or R.F.D. address Ozalea Rd. Cabana Apt A6 Business phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Home phone \_\_\_\_\_

City Mobile State Ala ZIP code 36609

To serve as SM or \_\_\_\_\_  
Give letter code for UNIT position (See other side) (Position in council)

Sex M Age 27 U.S. citizen: Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_ OR Declaration of Intention Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ OR visiting adult alien\* Yes \_\_\_\_\_

Religious preference (See other side, Article II) \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Marital status \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been registered in Scouting in any adult capacity? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Give position \_\_\_\_\_

Give dates, duration, location \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have an unexpired registration card? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Where paid? \_\_\_\_\_ (Council) (Unit No.)

Unit Scouters only: Type of unit T Local No. 123 Unit location Mobile, Al (City) (State)

Council name \_\_\_\_\_ District name \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby make application for registration with the Boy Scouts of America and subscribe to its Scout Oath or Promise and Scout Law and its declaration of religious principle as stated on the reverse side of this application. I agree, if a registration certificate is granted, to be guided by the Charter and Bylaws and other regulations of the Boy Scouts of America and the local council.

I transmit herewith \$2 registration fee for 1 year (or a pro rata fee), a portion of which is to cover subscription to *Scouting Magazine* for the period of my membership. For a subscription to *Boys' Life* I will add \$2 (or a pro rata amount) as indicated above.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE \_\_\_\_\_  
(See "Approval" on other side)

LOCAL COUNCIL APPROVAL		Check Adult Registration Fee Paid		
We hereby approve this person and recommend certificate be issued.		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 mo. \$ .20	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 mo. \$ 1.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 9 mo \$ 1.60
Date _____	Signed _____ (Scout executive)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 " .40	<input type="checkbox"/> 6 " 1.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 10 " 1.80
		<input type="checkbox"/> 3 " .60	<input type="checkbox"/> 7 " 1.20	<input type="checkbox"/> 11 " 2.00
		<input type="checkbox"/> 4 " .80	<input type="checkbox"/> 8 " 1.40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12 " 2.00

\*FOR UNIT SCOUTERS ONLY: A visiting adult alien must indicate country of citizenship on an attached note giving last address there and previous Scouting record, if any. An institutional representative must be a U.S. citizen or have declared his intention.

**GRANTING COMMISSIONS AND CERTIFICATES OF MEMBERSHIP**

Every person serving in any official relationship with the Boy Scouts of America shall subscribe to the statement of religious principle, the Scout Oath and Law, and the Bylaws. Each such person either shall be a citizen of the United States or shall satisfy one of the following alternative requirements if applicable to him: (a) A person other than a member of the Executive Board or a regional chairman (all of whom must be citizens of the United States) shall legally declare his intention to become a citizen of the United States; (b) A visiting alien, whether adult or minor, shall satisfy the requirements of Article XVI, Section 6, Clause 4 of the Bylaws.

**CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT, CITIZENSHIP TRAINING, MENTAL AND PHYSICAL FITNESS**

The purpose of the Corporation is as set forth in the original certificate of incorporation under the laws of the District of Columbia, dated February 8, 1910, and restated in the Act of Incorporation enacted by the Congress of the United States of America on June 15, 1916, as follows: "That the purpose of this corporation shall be to promote, through organization, and cooperation with other agencies, the ability of boys to do things for themselves and others, to train them in Scoutcraft, and to teach them patriotism, courage, self-reliance, and kindred virtues, using the methods which are now in common use

**THE SCOUT OATH OR PROMISE**

On my honor I will do my best  
To do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law;  
To help other people at all times;  
To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

by Boy Scouts." In achieving this purpose, emphasis shall be placed upon its educational program and the oaths, promises, and codes of the Scout program for character development, citizenship training, mental and physical fitness. Article I, Section 2.

**DECLARATION OF RELIGIOUS PRINCIPLE**

The Boy Scouts of America maintains that no boy can grow into the best kind of citizen without recognizing his obligation to God. In the first part of the Scout Oath or Promise the boy declares, "On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law." The recognition of God as the ruling and leading power in the universe and the grateful acknowledgment of His favors and blessings are necessary to the best type of citizenship and are wholesome precepts in the education of the growing boy. No matter what the religious faith of the boy may be, this fundamental need of good citizenship should be kept before him. The Boy Scouts of America therefore recognizes the religious element in the training of the boy, but it is absolutely nonsectarian in its attitude toward that religious training. Its policy is that the organization or institution with which the Scout is connected shall give definite attention to his religious life.

Only persons willing to subscribe to this declaration of principle shall be entitled to certificates of leadership in carrying out the Scout program. Article II, Section 7.

**THE CUB SCOUT PROMISE**

I, ( ), promise to do my best  
To do my duty to God  
And my country,  
To be square, and  
To obey the Law of the Pack.

**THE SCOUT LAW**

1. A Scout is trustworthy
2. A Scout is loyal
3. A Scout is helpful
4. A Scout is friendly
5. A Scout is courteous
6. A Scout is kind
7. A Scout is obedient
8. A Scout is cheerful
9. A Scout is thrifty
10. A Scout is brave
11. A Scout is clean
12. A Scout is reverent

**UNIT POSITION LETTER CODE**

IR Institutional Representative	AA Associate Advisor	DC *Den Leader Coach
CC Committee Chairman	SK Skipper	DM *Den Mother
MC Committee Member	MT Mate	MA Assistant Den Mother
SM *Scoutmaster	CM *Cubmaster	DL *Den Leader
SA Assistant Scoutmaster	CA Assistant Cubmaster	DA Assistant Den Leader
EA *Explorer Advisor	WL *Webelos Den Leader	

\*Will receive *Scouting Magazine Program Help*

**BOYS' LIFE**

Registered adult members are entitled to a half-price membership rate of \$2 a year or 17 cents a month. (Regular rate is \$4.) A *Boys' Life* subscription should be for the same number of months as an individual's registration, but the first issue of *Boys' Life* will not normally arrive for approximately 2 months. Your local council will transmit your subscription on the appropriate unit or council roster form.

*Boys' Life* is published by the Boy Scouts of America and contains some of the best of fiction, hobbies, crafts, sports, and outdoor crafts and skills. Program material is coordinated with unit program themes.

**APPROVAL**

The application of the Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Explorer Advisor, and their assistants and Den Mothers, Den Leaders, assistants, and Den Leader coach should be approved by the chairman of the unit committee. Applications of unit committeemen and the institutional representative must be approved by the head of the institution or sponsoring body. Council Scouter should be approved by the proper council authority.

**REGISTRATION FEES**

If applicant already holds an unexpired registration certificate in another capacity, no fee is required with this application, unless he is ceasing activity in the other capacity. In such case he should pay a proportionate fee to the expiration of this registration.

Annual adult fee is \$2, but for periods of less than 1 year, registration will be proportionate to the period to be covered, as shown on the front side.



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February 24, 1970

Mr. Harvey A. Yarbrough  
Scout Executive  
Mobile Area Council, No. 4

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: James A. Oversturf  
Scoutmaster, Troop 123

Dear Mr. Yarbrough:

We recently sent us the scouter application for James Oversturf, 12345 Road, Mobile, Alabama, to serve as Scoutmaster of Troop 123 in District 1. We regret to inform you that we cannot accept Mr. Oversturf's application.

When informing Mr. Oversturf about this, please tell him that the National Council does not wish to accept his registration in the Boy Scouts of America. If Mr. Oversturf should raise any questions as to reason, you might inform him that registration in the Boy Scouts of America is a privilege and not a right and that the National Council reserves the prerogative to accept those individuals it feels will best serve the interests of the organization.

We are herewith enclosing a credit notice of \$2.00. Kindly delete Mr. Oversturf's name from your records.

Please submit another application with fee for the replacement of Mr. Oversturf to the Scout Executive. Please be sure to attach the enclosed referral slip with the new application so that it comes directly to our attention and we can release this unit without further delay.

Sincerely,

Earl L. Krall, Director  
Registration and Fulfillment Service

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September 16, 1969

Mr. Homer M. Eggers  
Scout Executive  
General Greene Council, No. 418

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: James E. Overturf  
Scoutmaster, Troop 100

Dear Mr. Eggers:

On your recent charter application for Troop 100, you included the registration for James E. Overturf, Route 7, Box 48F, Greensboro, North Carolina, to serve as Scoutmaster in District 1. We regret to inform you that we cannot accept Mr. Overturf's application.

When informing Mr. Overturf about this, simply tell him that the National Council does not wish to accept his registration in the Boy Scouts of America. If Mr. Overturf should raise any questions as to reason, you might indicate to him that registration in the Boy Scouts of America is a privilege and not a right and that the National Council reserves the prerogative to accept those individuals it feels will best serve the interests of the organization.

We are herewith enclosing a credit of \$2.00. Kindly delete Mr. Overturf's name from your records.

Please submit another application with fee for the replacement of Mr. Overturf as Scoutmaster. Please be sure to attach the enclosed referral slip with the new application so that it come directly to our attention and we can release this unit without further delay.

Sincerely,

Howard Boyd, Director  
Registration and Fulfillment Service

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Encis: Credit Notice \$2.00

*Replacement rec'd 12/23/69  
appl + ditto released*

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August 20, 1968

Mr. Robert M. Johnson  
Scout Executive  
West Suburban Council, No. 147

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: James E. Overturf

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you for your letter of August 15 and the enclosed epistle concerning Mr. James E. Overturf. We have placed this information in our file.

This additional information will enable us to identify Mr. Overturf, should he ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program.

Sincerely,

Howard Boyd, Director  
Registration and Fulfillment Service

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**THE WEST SUBURBAN COOK COUNTY BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**



811 WEST HILLGROVE AVENUE LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS 60525

August 15, 1968

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

CONFIDENTIAL AND PERSONAL

Information about  
JAMES E. OVERTURF

Dear Mr. Boyd:

You asked me to get further information to substantiate the record established in regard to Mr. James E. Overturf.

The attached letter has been obtained from the Cook County Sheriff's Police Department.

Please acknowledge receipt of this communication.

Sincerely,

*Robert M. Johnson*  
Robert M. Johnson  
Scout Executive

RMJ:dm

TS/MS/K/S v. BSA, et al. Protective Order No. 03-2372-190  
Produced Pursuant to Protective Order

JOSEPH I. WOODS  
SHERIFF



JOHN B. KISTNER  
CHIEF

COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S POLICE DEPARTMENT

SIXTH FLOOR, COUNTY BUILDING

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60602

TELEPHONE 321 - 6484

5 Aug 68

Mr. Robert M. Johnson  
Scout Executive  
The West Suburban Council  
Boy Scouts of America  
811 West Hillgrove Avenue  
La Grange, Illinois 60525

Dear Mr. Johnson:

This is in reply to your letter of 1 Aug 68, requesting information on James E. Overturf.

Mr. Overturf came to the attention of this Department on 31 Mar 68, in a report filed under Cook County Case Report Number 101774. This report alleged that Mr. Overturf had on that date committed certain sexual acts with a member of his boy scout troop. Subsequent investigation by this unit revealed other similar incidents with other boys of the same troop.

Mr. Overturf was arrested by this Department on 4 Apr 68, on three warrants charging indecent liberties with a child.

On 26 Jul 68 the Cook County Grand Jury indicted Overturf on two counts. At present, this case is pending before the Criminal Court of Cook County.

If we may be of further assistance in this matter, do not hesitate to contact us in this matter.

Respectfully yours,

*Sgt. Kenneth Jones*

Sergeant Kenneth Jones

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May 21, 1968

Mr. Robert M. Johnson  
Scout Executive  
The West Suburban Council, No. 147

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you for your confidential record sheet dated May 16 providing us with identifying particulars concerning James E. Overturf. We have placed this information in our file.

However, it would be most helpful in strengthening our position of refusing to accept any application for registration which we might receive from this individual if you could obtain some substantiating material regarding this situation. Would it be possible for you to obtain a copy of the police report, or a statement from the boy involved or the boy's parents? This would really clinch the case.

Any additional material you can furnish will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Howard Boyd, Director  
Registration and Fulfillment Service

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**THE WEST SUBURBAN COUNCIL BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**



811 WEST HILLGROVE AVENUE LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS 60525

May 20, 1968

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

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Mr. Boyd:

The request made in the attached carbon copy of your letter was sent to you last Thursday so I would assume you received it today in New Brunswick.

On Friday a Mr. Waldron of the Cook County Police called our Council Service Center and informed me on some circumstances which you might want to be knowledgeable of.

The Cook County Police, seeking additional information on Mr. James E. Overturf, sent two investigators to Racine, Wisconsin. They spent most of a day there looking into Mr. Overturf's background in that locality. They had conversations with Mr. Merritt Daane, the Scout Executive, and I would judge with other Scouting people.

The police stated Mr. Overturf had been associated with the Boy Scouts there. While with the Scouts in Racine his residence was in Chicago and he traveled to Racine to maintain a Scouting affiliation with a Racine unit. The police indicated some undesirable experiences had occurred in connection with Mr. Overturf being in Scout Camp last summer at Lyle, Wisconsin.

Friday afternoon I called Mr. Merritt Daane (Scout Executive at Racine) and related to him the comments of the police.

Sincerely,

*Robert M. Johnson*  
Robert M. Johnson  
Scout Executive

RMJ:dm

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May 17, 1968  
April 17, 1968

Mr. Robert M. Johnson  
Scout Executive  
The West Suburban Council, No. 147

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you for your letter of April 4 with regard to a Mr. James E. Overturf. We have placed this information in our files.

Enclosed is a confidential record sheet which we would very much appreciate your completing and returning to us as soon as possible, together with any substantiating material which may be available pertaining to this situation, such as a copy of the police report; statement from the boys involved; or statement from the boys' parents; any newspaper clippings. We would also like to know if Mr. Overturf is currently registered in Scouting. If so, in what unit and in what capacity?

This additional information will enable us to identify this individual should he ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program. Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

Howard Boyd, Director  
Registration and Fulfillment Service

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Encl.

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April 17, 1968

Mr. Robert M. Johnson  
Scout Executive  
The West Suburban Council, No. 147

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you for your letter of April 4 with regard to a Mr. James E. Overturf. We have placed this information in our files.

Enclosed is a confidential record sheet which we would very much appreciate your completing and returning to us as soon as possible, together with any substantiating material which may be available pertaining to this situation, such as a copy of the police report; statement from the boys involved; or statement from the boys' parents; any newspaper clippings. We would also like to know if Mr. Overturf is currently registered in Scouting. If so, in what unit and in what capacity?

This additional information will enable us to identify this individual should he ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program. Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

Howard Boyd, Director  
Registration and Fulfillment Service

Hlr  
Encl.

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THE WEST SUBURBAN COUNCIL BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



811 WEST HILLGROVE AVENUE LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS 60525

April 4, 1968

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

CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Mr. Boyd:

This letter is transmitting information pertaining to a Mr. James E. Overturf who had residence up to recently at 10934 Liberty Grove Drive, Willow Springs, Ill. In the past several weeks he had residence with his brother in the Ramblin Rose Apartments, south of Hinsdale, Illinois.

On April 1st at approximately 10:30 a.m., I was contacted at our Council Service Center by Mr. Edward S. Rogers, an Institutional Representative for the Palisades Parent Teacher Council and co-sponsor the Countryside Men's Social and Athletic Club which sponsors Troop 46.

Mr. Rogers stated that a Mr. James E. Overturf who had accompanied him on a trip to Eagle Cave in Wisconsin over the weekend had been reported to him and the Cook County Police as being involved in an indecent act with a Scout. This report was made to Mr. Roger by Mr. & Mrs. [redacted] of Willow Springs, Illinois, the parents of the Scout involved.

[redacted] was tracked down through a contact to his employer. I requested to visit Mr. Wisheart which I did at his place of business in the late afternoon. The cooperation of Mr. [redacted] was sought in establishing the circumstances of the incident.

On the afternoon of April 2nd I visited Sgt. Kenneth Jones of the Cook County Police. He stated they had tried to locate Mr. Overturf to arrest him on Monday but that he had fled and was thought to be in St. Louis. Various aspects of the situation were discussed with Sgt. Jones. He is conducting an investigation which involved other Scouts of the Troop that live in the vicinity of Willow Springs and in particular two in the house where Mr. Overturf had residence in Willow Springs.

In the conversation with Mr. [redacted] he related to me in general terms what had happened to his son. While at Eagle Cave in Wisconsin Mr. Overturf separate from the group had taken certain undesirable actions with his son. On the return trip home, after two of the Scouts had been left at their homes, Mr. Overturf in the automobile had taken indecent actions with the son of Mr. [redacted]. Mr. Overturf made threats to the boy if he revealed what had taken place.


**THE WEST SUBURBAN COUNCIL BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**

811 WEST HILLGROVE AVENUE LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS 60525

April 4, 1968

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

**CONFIDENTIAL**

Dear Mr. Boyd:

This letter is transmitting information pertaining to a Mr. James E. Overturf who had residence up to recently at 10934 Liberty Grove Drive, Willow Springs, Ill. In the past several weeks he had residence with his brother in the Ramblin Rose Apartments, south of Hinsdale, Illinois.

On April 1st at approximately 10:30 a.m., I was contacted at our Council Service Center by Mr. Edward S. Rogers, an Institutional Representative for the Palisades Parent Teacher Council and co-sponsor the Countryside Men's Social and Athletic Club which sponsors Troop 46.

Mr. Rogers stated that a Mr. James E. Overturf who had accompanied him on a trip to Eagle Cave in Wisconsin over the weekend had been reported to him and the Cook County Police as being involved in an indecent act with a Scout. This report was made to Mr. Roger by Mr. & Mrs. [REDACTED] of Willow Springs, Illinois, the parents of the Scout involved.

Mr. Wisheart was tracked down through a contact to his employer. I requested to visit Mr. Wisheart which I did at his place of business in the late afternoon. The cooperation of Mr. [REDACTED] was sought in establishing the circumstances of the incident.

On the afternoon of April 2nd I visited Sgt. Kenneth Jones of the Cook County Police. He stated they had tried to locate Mr. Overturf to arrest him on Monday but that he had fled and was thought to be in St. Louis. Various aspects of the situation were discussed with Sgt. Jones. He is conducting an investigation which involved other Scouts of the Troop that live in the vicinity of Willow Springs and in particular two in the house where Mr. Overturf had residence in Willow Springs.

In the conversation with Mr. [REDACTED] he related to me in general terms what had happened to his son. While at Eagle Cave in Wisconsin Mr. Overturf separate from the group had taken certain undesirable actions with his son. On the return trip home, after two of the Scouts had been left at their homes, Mr. Overturf in the automobile had taken indecent actions with the son of Mr. [REDACTED]. Mr. Overturf made threats to the boy if he revealed what had taken place.

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PARTIAL PERSONAL DATA KNOWN ABOUT MR. JAMES E. OVERTURF

Residence: past couple of weeks at the Ramblin Rose Apartments, south of Hinsdale, Illinois.  
a few weeks back at 10934 Liberty Grove Drive, Willow Springs, Illinois.

Race: White

Scouting record - stated to Mr. Ed Rogers (I.R.): that he had been registered as an assistant Scoutmaster from November 1962 to December 1966 in Germany, Texas, and South Carolina.

Other informant: Mr. Overturf stated he was Scoutmaster in Racine, Wisconsin.

Employment: Designer at Hydrotechnic Corporation, 120 E. Ogden Avenue, Hinsdale, Illinois.

Sgt. Ken Jones of the Cook County Police reported: height 5'8"  
weight 180 pounds

Previous residence prior to this area: has lived in Racine, Wisconsin. *AND SOUTH CAROLINA.*

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██████████ has completed the necessary steps with the Cook County Police to arrest Mr. Overturf. Last evening I was told by Mr. Wisheart and Mr. Rogers that Mr. Overturf was back in the area of Willow Springs.

Attached to this letter is personal data known about Mr. James E. Overturf as of April 4, 1968. The cooperation of Sgt. Kenneth Jones of the Cook County Police has been promised in getting additional information. Such information will be transmitted to you.

Sincerely,

  
Robert M. Johnson  
Scout Executive

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