

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

DATE July 1, 1968

Full Name Joseph C. Ballard, Jr.
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address 4610 Station Avenue

City Cincinnati State Ohio

Age 18 (This is important and should be exact)

Approximate age _____ (To be used ONLY when exact age is not known)

Religion Protestant Nationality Caucasian

Occupation Unemployed

Education High School

Weight 180 Color White Height 5' 10"

Color of hair Brown Color of eyes Hazel

Outstanding characteristics or interests None

Married or single Single Children _____
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Wife's name _____

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

<u>Unit #</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date Reg'd.</u>	<u>Date resigned</u>
T-102	Cinti.	Ohio	Scout	3-61	8-67
T-213	Norwood	Ohio	A.S.M.	2-28-68	5-68

Special recognition Eagle Scout

Recommended for Confidential File for following reasons:

See letter of Personal and Confidential - mailed May 1968

Signed

Basil L. Starkey
Scout Executive

GC-294-31

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January 18, 1985

Mr. Robert Cree
Scout Executive
Gulf Coast Council, No. 773

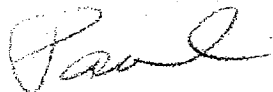
PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Joseph C. Ballard
Asst. Denleader, Unit 3002

Dear Bob:

This is regarding your telephone conversation of January 17, with my office concerning Joseph C. Ballard. Upon your recommendation we are taking action to delete this man's name from our records and are enclosing a credit notice to cover the registration fee. Kindly delete this name from your records.

Sincerely,



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

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cc: Mr. Hoyt Hunt, Regional Director
Southeast Region

Enclosure: Credit Notice No. 48689

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TALKED TO
BOB < FEE, S.E.

1-17-85

DRAFT JOSEPH BALLARD FROM
PDR 3002

UNIT CONCERNED WITH BALLARD
AS A LEADER RELATING TO
HANDLING OF CHILDREN IN
A LEADERSHIP ROLE. NO EVIDENCE
OF SEXUAL ABUSE OR RELATIONS.

UNIT ASKED THAT HE BE
DROPPED.

Pant

ADULT APPLICATION

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

☒ PACK NO. 2
☐ TROOP NO.
☐ TEAM NO.
☐ POST NO.
☐ SHIP NO.

☐ COUNCIL/DISTRICT POSITION

OR

DISTRICT NO.

☐ FULLY TRAINED

NAME—PRINT FIRST NAME FIRST LEAVE A SPACE BETWEEN FIRST NAME, INITIAL, AND LAST NAME

DATE OF BIRTH

POSITION

Joseph C Ballard

4 8 50

DA

ADDRESS—STREET OR R.F.D.

MONTH DAY YEAR

UNIT CODE

704 N 78 Ave

BOYS' LIFE

CHECK ONE

☐ NEW LEADER

☐ FORMER LEADER

ADDITIONAL ADDRESS INFORMATION (if necessary)

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

SEX

Pensacola

FL

32506

M

CIRCLE B OR H

B 455 6684

10/15/84

Eagle - Order of Arrow

PHONE

DATE

PREVIOUS SCOUTING BACKGROUND

COUNCIL

General Tire Corporation

Joseph C Ballard

OCCUPATION, EMPLOYER, AND BUSINESS ADDRESS

SIGNATURE—SEE COVER

REGISTRATION FEE

BOYS' LIFE FEE

TERM (MONTHS)

UNIT EXPIRATION DATE

\$ 1.25

\$

Brenda Larssen

MONTH YEAR

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



This certifies that

JOSEPH C BALLARD
ASSISTANT DEN LEADER
is a member of the
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

PACK 2
PENSACOLA FL

and is entitled to all the rights and
privileges thereof to the last day of

773--6

MARCH 1985

J. L. Tarn
Chief Scout Executive

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

48689

COUNCIL

No. 773 Date 1/18/85

FKS

REFER

To your Transmittal of Registration and Subscriptions No. _____
Unit, Additional Enrollment, Council/District Roster

REGISTRATION AND
SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE

☒ CREDIT NOTICE

☐ DEBIT NOTICE

REGISTRATION

Unit No. 3002 term _____ months

☐ 1 Leaders (_____ prepaid) @ \$ _____ each received \$ 2.50 required \$ 0
(_____ transfer)
_____ Members (_____ transfer) @ \$ _____ each received \$ _____ required \$ _____

☐ _____ Members _____ leaders listed on transmittal form _____ on application

☐ Transfers must pay \$.50 each. Expiration given _____ We have _____

☐ Not on transmittal report

☐ No application received.

☐ Duplicate entry

☐ Fees received \$ _____ required \$ _____

☐ Correction made per your letter _____

☐ No reply to our defective registration notice dated _____

☐ BOYS' LIFE

☐ EXPLORING

☐ SCOUTING

Term _____ months

☐ Paid for _____ subscriptions; listed _____ subscriptions received \$ _____ required \$ _____

Incorrect fees: _____ subscriptions

☐ Back issues not available

☐ Please check attached copy. Pay debit or indicate names to be deleted and return to us.

Joseph C Ballard

Asst. Denleader

Please add or subtract the amount(s) indicated on your next transmittal in the proper column(s) and return the original.

BILLING	Cub Scout	\$ _____	Leader	\$ _____	Total	\$ _____
	Scout	\$ _____	Boys' Life	\$ _____		
	Explorer	\$ _____	Exploring	\$ _____		
			Scouting	\$ _____		
CREDITING	Cub Scout	\$ _____	Leader	\$ 2.50	Total	\$ 2.50
	Scout	\$ _____	Boys' Life	\$ _____		
	Explorer	\$ _____	Exploring	\$ _____		
			Scouting	\$ _____		

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May 8, 1974

Mr. Joseph B. Quick
Scout Executive
Dan Beard Council, No. 438

PERSONAL CONFIDENTIAL
Re: Joseph C. Ballard, Jr.
Committeeman, Pack 3338

Dear Joe:

You recently sent us the Scouter application for Joseph C. Ballard, Jr. 6632 Hamilton Mason Road, Hamilton, Ohio, to serve as Committeeman of Pack 3338 in District 7. From the information you provided, it is certain that this is the same man as one we have on our Confidential File.

We are again refusing the registration of Joseph C. Ballard Jr. who is applying to serve as Committeeman of Pack 3338. You may recall our letter to you of July 19, 1968 when we had refused Mr. Ballard's application to serve as Assistant Scoutmaster in Troop 213.

We are enclosing a credit notice of \$2.50 to cover Mr. Ballard's registration fee. Please delete his name from your records.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Executive
Membership and Registration

ad
Encl: Credit Notice # 11132

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Dist. 7-2/25 exps. \$2.50

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ADULT APPLICATION

☐ PACK NO. **338**
☐ TROOP NO.
☐ POST NO.
☐ SHIP NO.
OR ☐ COUNCIL/DISTRICT POSITION
☐ FULLY TRAINED
☐ NEW LEADER
☐ FORMER LEADER

DISTRICT NO. **7**

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

NAME **Joseph C Ballard JR**

AGE **23**

POSITION **MC**

PRINT FIRST NAME FIRST—LEAVE A SPACE BETWEEN FIRST NAME, INITIAL, AND LAST NAME

ADDRESS—STREET OR R.F.D.

6632 HAMILTON Mason Rd

COLLEGE SCOUTS RESERVE—USE YOUR MAILING ADDRESS AT COLLEGE

CITY **HAMILTON** STATE **OH** ZIP CODE **45011** DATE **3/11/74**

777-8142 Assisatent Scoutmaster

Dan Beard

HOME PHONE PREVIOUS SCOUTING BACKGROUND

Mechanic 5646 Montgomery (Dickey's) **Joseph C Ballard Jr**

REGISTRATION FEE **2.50** EXPLORING/BOYS' LIFE FEE **1.25** TERM (MONTHS) **12** MONTH EXPIRATION DATE **2 75**

James R. Brown C.M.

NATIONAL COPY

*Mr. Ernst
 Same name?
 Should I refund
 on Probationary?
 Alice*

REFUND
CANCEL
REGISTERED



THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT
JOSEPH C BALLARD JR
 IS REGISTERED WITH THE
 BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
 PACK **338**

MT CARMEL OH

COMMITTEE MEMBER
 TO THE LAST DAY OF

438-7 FEB. 1975
 THIS CERTIFICATE IS NOT TRANSFERABLE AND IS
 VOID AFTER EXPIRATION DATE. IT MUST BE SHOWN
 LOCAL DISTRIBUTOR WHEN PURCHASING UNIFORM.

James R. Brown
 CHIEF SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Dan Beard Council

BOY SCOUTS of AMERICA

No. 438

LAWRENCE LEWIS, Council President
DEE C. DAVIS, Council Commissioner
BASIL F. STARKEY, Scout Executive



3007 VERNON PLACE
CINCINNATI, OHIO 45219
PHONE 961-2336

June 10, 1968

Mr. Howard P. Boyd
Director
Volunteer Procurement Certification & Recognition
National Council, Boy Scouts of America
New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903

Dear Howard:

In Bay Starkey's absence, but with his knowledge and direction, I am requesting that Joseph C. Ballard, Jr., be placed on the Confidential List. Information to justify this action is enclosed. He is now registered as Assistant Scoutmaster, Troop 213, District #5.

I also include the request that Joseph C. Ballard, Sr., Scoutmaster of Troop 213, also included on District Roster of District #5, be placed on the Confidential List. Enclosed letters will explain some of the details on Joseph Sr., but there is much more we do not have in writing at this time.

I have just had Joseph Sr. in my office and he has agreed to write his letter of resignation.

Sincerely,

Ben Bouchelle

Ben Bouchelle
Deputy Scout Executive

at
enclosures

Participating in United Appeal of Cincinnati, Hamilton and Oxford

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SEPARATION NOTICE

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

NATIONAL COUNCIL

Troop Local No. 213 Date 4/25/68
(Type of unit) *
City Norwood State Ohio
District Bloody Run County Hamilton
EXPIRATION DATE OF UNIT 2/28/69

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

REGION NO.	COUNCIL NO.	DISTRICT NO.	Troop
4	438	5	Type of unit NATIONAL NO. 213

* Indicate pack, troop, post, squadron, or shi

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE LOCAL COUNCIL

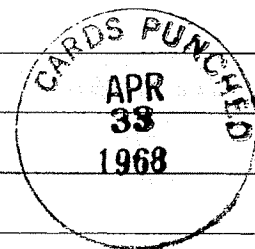
(Note: Separation notices must not be sent to the home office at the time of re-registration.)

Separation notices should be sent to the home office during the charter year for the following reasons only.

1. When a boy or adult transfers from one unit to another within the council. (Viz., pack to pack, pack to troop, troop to troop, troop to Explorer unit, Explorer unit to Explorer unit.)
2. When an adult changes position within a unit or council.
3. When a Boy Scout or Explorer reaches 18 years of age and registers as an assistant Scoutmaster or an associate Advisor.
4. When a member dies (please include address of individual).

When a boy or an adult pays a registration fee, he is entitled to membership until the expiration date indicated on the membership certificate.

BOYS' NAMES	Show last registration by "C" for Cub Scout, "S" for Boy Scout, "E" for Explorer.	WHY DID THE BOY LEAVE THE UNIT? If he transferred or graduated to another unit, indicate type of unit and number, and city and state. Give specific reason for separation.
1 Joseph C Ballard Jr	S	Trans (Adult) Troop 213 Dist # 5
2		
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ADULTS' NAMES	In what position was he registered?	Paid in this position?	Reason for separation.
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3			

Approved Basil F. Stankey
Scout Executive

If more space is required, please use a second sheet and number both.

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☒ **ADDITIONAL ENROLLMENT**

Indicate position and list in this order: IR (Institutional Representative), CC (Chairman), MC (Committeeman), SM (Scoutmaster), SA (Assistant Scoutmaster), EA (Advisor) or SK (Skipper), AA (Associate Advisor or MT (Mate), CM (Cubmaster), CA (Assistant Cubmaster), WL (Webelos Den Leader), DC (Den Leader Coach), DM (Den Mother), MA (Assistant Den Mother), DL (Den Leader), DA (Assistant Den Leader).

**Visiting adult aliens must indicate country of citizenship and attach note giving last address in that country and previous Scouting record, if any. NOTE: Institutional representative must be U.S. citizen or have declared his intention.

May 28, 1968

Information re. Joseph C. Ballard, Jr.
4610 Station Ave.
Cincinnati, Ohio 45212
Norwood

1967
Sunday, August 27, 1967: Joe had been at house all day passing a test on signaling. Joe stayed all night and slept in [redacted]'s room in the lower bed of a trundle bed. Before going to bed, [redacted] from next door came over and the three boys were in [redacted]'s room. Joe stood in the door and would not let the boys out. Told them to lay down on the bed. Used his mouth on [redacted]'s penis, then the same thing on [redacted]'s. Made the boys leave the lights out so people next door wouldn't look in.

Sept. 5, 1967: Joe came to the house about 9:00 A. M. [redacted] came over about 9:30 and asked [redacted] to go out bike riding. Joe told [redacted] to come in, that they were just talking. [redacted] sat on couch and Joe said to get comfortable and lay down and went and locked the front door. Then he stripped [redacted] down completely. [redacted] said he was cold and [redacted] went and got an old blanket. He played with his fingers with [redacted]. Heard a door slam and thought it was the sewing machine man - [redacted] had to give him a check. Joe took [redacted] up to the third floor while [redacted] looked out and found that the door slammed across the street. Joe blindfolded [redacted] with old rag and had him lay down on the bed. Used his mouth on [redacted]. Joe took [redacted]'s penis in his hand and flipped the head. [redacted] said it hurt. Joe then used his mouth. Came down to [redacted]'s room, and tried to get up a game of strip paper. Some argument. [redacted] dressed, went home for lunch. Joe left house and walked around and came in the back. [redacted] came back, thinking Joe had left. Watched T.V. About 2:00 P.M. three boys came up to [redacted]'s room. Joe "jacked [redacted] off." "Then Joe jacked himself off." Joe then sprayed pine mist throughout the house, saying the house would have "boy smell." Stopped at 2:45 P.M. because [redacted]'s mother was expected home.

Sept. 8, 1967: At Gowan's Farm Jerry was taking his 2'nd. camp. He had gone to bed and was asleep. About midnight Joe came into his tent, pulled down his pants and used his mouth. [redacted] felt nervous and Joe told him if anyone ever found out about this they would both be put away.

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INFORMATION REGARDING JOSEPH C. BALLARD, JR.
4610 Station Avenue, Norwood, Ohio 45212

May 28, 1968

My son, [REDACTED], entered Boy Scout Troop 213 sponsored by Grace Methodist Church in Norwood, Ohio as soon as his 11th birthday rolled around on 12/25/66. No boy had ever looked forward to becoming a Scout any more than [REDACTED] had. I will attempt to put the following in "black and white" as concisely and clearly as possible.

It was rather puzzling to me when [REDACTED] who had always particularly enjoyed camping out suddenly came up with all kinds of excuses as to why he could not go on campouts during the winter of 1967-68. Each month he would have some excuse as to why he could not go on campouts, such as too much home work, etc. My late husband ([REDACTED]'s father) died in March, 1964. I have two other children at home -- [REDACTED] (15 - a Life Scout), and [REDACTED] (11). [REDACTED] is also a member of Troop 213. I have not remarried, work fulltime at a very responsible job, and do all my own work, so I am of course very busy. The Scoutmaster, Joseph C. Ballard, Sr. has always used extremely poor discretion about camping out, and prided himself on camping out regardless of the weather to such an extent that we were involved in many ridiculously muddy and cold campouts when it took literally days to clean up the sleeping bags and camping gear after some of these campouts, and since I normally had to drive when the boys went on a campout, I did not insist that they go on campouts this past winter when our schedules were particularly busy, and it happened that the weather was usually unsuitable for scheduled campouts. In checking back, I find that [REDACTED] had not gone on any campouts since November of 1967.

On May 13, 1968 [REDACTED] called me from his Troop meeting and said that Joseph C. Ballard, Jr., 18-year old son of the Scoutmaster, thought several of the boys [REDACTED]'s age needed some extra training for a competition-type campout that was to occur the weekend of May 24. He wanted to take 7 of the smaller boys to the Powderhorn Campsite in Kentucky on Friday, May 17, for an overnight, and training on the 18th, and wondered if I could drive, which I said I would do. [REDACTED] bought his food along with a friend, packed his pack and was all set to go as soon as I got home from work Friday. I was more than a little surprised when [REDACTED] called me at work (I am a Secretary in the Trust Department of The Fifth Third Union Trust Co. - Main Office) on May 17 as soon as he got home from school. He asked me to call Joe and tell him that he could not go on the campout, as he had too much home work to do. I knew that [REDACTED] (in the 6th grade) could not possibly have so much home work that he could not go on an overnight, and since he had his food and was all packed, I was quite puzzled when he suddenly announced that he could not and would not go on the campout. When I arrived home, [REDACTED] was busily separating his food from that of the boy he had bought it with, and in a few minutes the boy stopped by and picked up the food. I overheard [REDACTED] say something to the boy to the effect that he hoped nothing happened to him on the campout, and that the boy could not say that [REDACTED] had not warned him, which mystified me still further. (It had begun to rain some before I left the office on the 17th, and I had called Joe, Jr. from the office and told him that if it continued to rain [REDACTED] could not go on the campout, and I would not drive, but I told him I would call him when I got home. It is interesting that he went on without calling or checking with me to see if I was going to drive.) When I told [REDACTED] that I certainly

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could not understand why he had bought his food and was all ready to go and at the last minute backed out of going on the campout, he frowned and looking very troubled he said -- "Mom, I really wanted to go on the campout, but I just couldn't. You just don't know everything." I asked him what he meant when he said I didn't know everything, and he said "Well, you just don't know everything, that's all." Having thought it had been strange that [redacted] had not wanted to go on any campouts for several months, I decided to pursue this and told [redacted] that he had better "clue" me in so I would "know everything." He asked me if I knew what a "homo" was, and when I told him that of course I did, he said very seriously -- "Well, Joe's one," and when I reacted in complete disbelief [redacted] became angry and assured me that Joe certainly was, and proceeded to cite instances. [redacted] has always been an exceedingly truthful boy, and I knew that what he was telling me was only too true.

[redacted] said Joe had molested him in the fall of 1966 when he was 10 years old -- before [redacted] became a Scout in Troop 213. [redacted]'s brother, Jim (3 1/2 years older than [redacted]) was to hike the silver moccasin trail beginning at Lebanon and ending at Fort Ancient, and I was taking a load of boys up. Joseph C. Ballard, Jr. was also riding in my car, and it was the first time I had met him. He was 16 at the time. I had no place to leave [redacted] while I was driving the boys up, and had just taken [redacted] along for the ride. [redacted] has always been strong for his age, and Jim's friends who have always liked [redacted] and knew he was rugged enough to hike the trail, all commented that it would be nice if [redacted] could hike the trail the next day with them. They were to sleep under the stars, and [redacted] did not have a sleeping bag, naturally, nor any gear since he was not yet a Scout. When the boys asked Mr. Ballard, Sr. if [redacted] could stay, he commented, "He's already here -- let him stay and I'll see that he is kept warm." He kept him warm by having [redacted] sleep in Joe, Jr.'s sleeping bag with him -- it was quite a cold night. [redacted] said he was awakened by Joe having reached down in his pants, and beginning to masturbate him, which he did a number of times that night -- in fact, [redacted] said he really hardly let go of him the entire night. [redacted] was zipped up the bag with Joe, and really didn't know what was coming off, but he did not like it, and the next day told his brother, Jim, and one of Jim's friends about it. They asked him if he was going to tell me, and [redacted] said that he was not going to tell me yet. Jim and his friend (then each 13) told [redacted] if Joe ever laid a hand on him again to just tell them and they would take care of Joe, and in their minds that was taking care of the matter. Jim is 15 now, and when I asked him why he had not told me about this a long time ago, I could tell that even now he does not understand how serious this is and can be, and probably neither boy will until they grow to be a man.

[redacted] said that the day before Christmas of that year, Joe called him up on the phone and suggested that as a Christmas present to [redacted], Joe could come over and take [redacted] out in our playhouse (connected to the garage) and "jack him off", and [redacted] could do the same to him, which [redacted] declined with a "Are you nuts?" and hung up.

But to get back to the May 17 campout, Joe had these small boys all alone, and [redacted] told me that when Joe was passing [redacted] on a Merit Badge last year and it had grown late, [redacted]'s mother had asked Joe to spend the night with them. [redacted] had been awakened during the night with Joe masturbating him, and performing all sorts of abnormal homosexual acts on him. Since he was in complete charge of this group of small boys (none of the older boys were along) I did not want to take the responsibility of being the only one who knew that

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May 28, 1968

Joe had the problem that he does -- I would have not forgiven myself if anything had happened to one of the little boys down there. So I contacted the home of a member of the Scout Board locally, the Knarr home, and they in turn contacted the minister and the people they felt should know. Since then, many disheartening facts have come to light, and I will try to set down some of the more flagrant ones in an effort to point out how sick Joe Ballard, Jr. must be.

█████ said that when Joe, an Eagle Scout who had the right to pass the younger boys on tests they needed to advance to the next rank, was with █████ passing him on required tests, Joe never failed to use that opportunity to "proposition" him (█████ did not use the word "proposition" -- he does not know the word -- but that is what he meant). He said on every campout they went on and on any occasion when Joe could catch him alone, he would proposition █████.

On September 6, 1967, when Joe was at our home passing █████ on his First Aid Merit Badge, █████ said that he asked █████ to "jack him off" -- and I was in the kitchen getting dinner, and █████ and █████ or I could have walked into the room where █████ was demonstrating bandaging a leg to Joe at any time. In fact, I had even asked Joe to stay for dinner that night, which he did.

There was a campout at Goins Farm (a farm donated to this troop by the family of one of the members near Hillsboro, Ohio) that weekend, and the following week I understand Joe got a job from 3:00 - 11:00 P.M. in connection with his automotive course at the high school, and I did not see him after that.

I drove a load of the boys up to Goins Farm for the campout on September 8, 9, and 10, and it was an incident that happened there that was sort of the "pay-off" to █████ and turned him against further campouts. He said he went in his tent for an item he needed, not knowing Joe was anywhere around. Apparently Joe had been watching █████, and all of a sudden he was in the tent with █████. █████ said "You know I don't cuss much, Mom, but I was tired of him always following me around and making passes at me, and I said for him to get the hell away from me." He said Joe became very angry and said "Well, if that's the way you feel about it," and █████ said "That's the way I feel about it -- you stay away from me," and █████ got out of the tent. █████ said Joe never did actually molest him again after the Lebanon incident when █████ was completely trapped, but he tried to so many times it obviously finally really got "to" █████, and he was just sick of being hounded.

█████ went on a campout in November, 1967 that he found out Joe was not going on, and that was his last campout.

We have since found out, of course, that █████ was molested repeatedly until he finally dropped completely out of Scouting in deperation.

I would like to point out that it was interesting that neither of the two boys that Joe molested that I know about for sure had a father -- █████'s father was dead, and █████'s parents had been divorced for three years. (█████'s mother remarried in December, 1967 -- the month █████ dropped out of Scouting). It would seem more than a coincidence that Joe Ballard, Jr. happened to particularly pick two boys with a father figure in the background.

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I cannot help but also note that at least two or three dozen, maybe more, little 11-year old boys have joined this troop within the last few years that I know of -- all very interested in Scouting -- and within a few months they suddenly dropped out and nobody knew why. One cannot help but wonder at this coincidence. I was particularly revolted when all this came to light that this boy should use his position in Scouting, which is supposed to exemplify the highest ideals, as a "door-opener" to pursue his abnormal lust.

I would like to note that I have written the foregoing in no spirit of malice whatsoever. I have been upset for a very long time about the poor judgment displayed by the elder Mr. Ballard insofar as the handling of the boys, etc. was concerned, and I have felt that something should have been done about it long ago. In spite of the deplorable situation with regard to [redacted] and [redacted] is concerned, I do not have any desire to get even with this father or his son -- I would simply feel remiss as a citizen if I did not do what I could to see that this boy who is obviously sick and really needs help were put in a position where he could not harm any other little boy, and where it might be possible for him to get the help that he desperately needs.

All of the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and ability to set it down.

[redacted]

I have read what my mother has written, and I swear it is true as nearly as I can remember the facts.

[redacted]
(First Class Scout)