

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
REGISTRATION SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Date October 20, 1988

Full name ANTHONY MICHAEL SANTINI
(no initials if you can possibly get full name)

Social Security Number _____

Address _____

City Riverdale State Maryland ZIP Code 20737

Date of Birth 12/24/48 (This is important and should be exact.)

Approximate age _____ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known.)

Religion Roman Catholic Nationality United States

Occupation Security Guard

Education Not available

Weight 300 lbs Height 6'1" Race White

Color of hair Black Color of eyes Brown

Outstanding characteristics or interests Beard, medium complexion

Married or single Married Children Five One girl _____ ;
One son _____ ;
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Spouse's name _____

Scouting connections:

Unit No.	City	State	Position	Date registered	Date resigned
252	Riverdale	Maryland	WL, SA	current	

Special recognition District Award of Merit

Suspended or denied registration for following reasons: Child sexual abuse

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):

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F. STARON JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Signed Paul R. Davis
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council National Capital Area



National Capital Area Council
Boy Scouts of America

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February 19, 1991

Mr. Anthony M. Santini

[REDACTED]
Riverdale, Maryland 20737

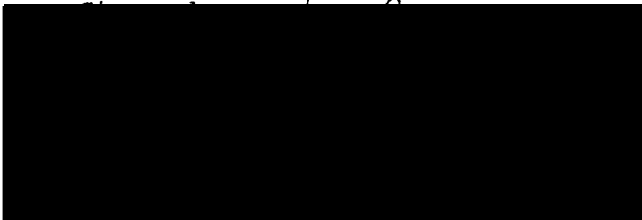
Dear Tony:

In support to our telephone conversation of this afternoon, this letter will serve to officially inform you that approval has been granted allowing you to again register with the Boy Scouts of America. Toward this end, I am enclosing an Adult Application form for your use.

We are pleased that this has finally been resolved, with all of the issues and concerns now a thing of the past.

I know that Fr. Jacobs and the leadership of Troop 252, St. Bernard's Church, are looking forward to your return to Scouting, and the good you can do for the youth of the Parish. As you realize, there are a lot of people counting on you.

Wishing you the very best in all of your future endeavors, I am,



LEH:kpp

Encl.

cc: Nicholas A. Adams, District Commissioner, Patuxent District
Ron L. Carroll, Scout Executive
Norman L. Cooper, District Chairman, Patuxent District
Paul I. Ernst, Director, National Registration & Statistical Service
William C. Evans, Vice President, District Operations
Donald G. Fornoff, Senior District Executive, Patuxent District
Rev. Harry W. Jacobs, St. Bernard's Church
Lee Jennings, Assistant Scoutmaster
B. H. Powell, Patuxent District
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Dr. Thomas E. Weir, Vice President-Membership/Relationships



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January 23, 1991

Mr. Paul I. Ernst
Director
Registration and Statistical Service
Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Anthony Michael Santini

Dear Paul:

Our Director of Field Service, Laurence E. Houghtaling, has informed me of details relative to Anthony Michael Santini and based on his recommendation, I am delighted to recommend the reinstatement of Tony Santini.

Please call if you have additional questions or want support material from us. In the meantime, I remain

Respectfully,

Ron L. Carroll
Scout Executive

RLC:jbp

cc: Laurence E. Houghtaling, Director of Field Service
David I. Sharp, Area Director

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JAN 24 1991

BARBARA GOSEY

January 24, 1991

Mr. Charles D. Ball
Assistant Regional Director
Northeast Region

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: ANTHONY MICHAEL SANTINI

Dear Charlie:

After your phone call of January 23, I again reviewed the file of Mr. Santini. I discovered that there is apparently some material in our file that you never received. One of these articles which played a crucial part in our decision is the report of the committee which reviewed this man's record.

I am enclosing a copy of the report which was given. This material was one that helped to lead to the decision which David Park made and which I conveyed to the council. You received a copy of my letter.

Do not hesitate to call me if we should discuss this further.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service

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Enclosure

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January 14, 1991

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ERIN O'RILEY

Mr. Laurence E. Houghtaling
Director of Field Service
National Capital Area Council, No. 82

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: ANTHONY MICHAEL SANTINI

Dear Larry:

I appreciated your telephone call of January 11, concerning this particular case. I had referred this to Mr. David Park, our legal counselor, for help in a response.

I have now received a response from Mr. Park indicating that if the council executive will vouch for Santini, then he can be let back in. We feel that you need to make certain that your research has been complete enough that you feel that no further incidences will occur that could cause trouble for the Boy Scouts of America.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning this. If you desire to register Mr. Santini, please contact me so that I can note this in my file.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service

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cc: Northeast Region
Ronnie Carroll, Council 82

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* Paul wants your opinion

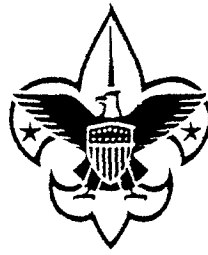
Santini

- See
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1 and 2
- [REDACTED] says he sexually abused her when she was 16 (dropped for insufficient evidence to prosecute)
 - Assault charges (dropped because TI did not appear)
 - Found guilty of making harassing ^{phone} calls

I don't see a suspension letter from Council in his file. (Dir of field services had phone conversations w/him)

Council held review - recommended that he be reinstated

* Why is the local council reviewing their own decision



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National Office
1325 West Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079, Irving, Texas 75015-2079
214-580-2000

December 7, 1990

SUBJECT: ANTHONY MICHAEL SANTINI

From: Paul Ernst, S108

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Paul Ernst".

To: David Park, S400

I am giving you the entire file to look at related to Mr. Santini's registration. The National Capital Area Council has recommended that he be reinstated.

There are very detailed notes of the Review Committee included in their letter of November 29, 1990. I hope you will review this and give me your opinion on the reinstatement to active registration.

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A large handwritten letter 'V' in cursive script.

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December 7, 1990

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A. GRAVES

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To: David Park, S400

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November 30, 1990

Mr. Paul I. Ernst
Director of Registration
National Office
Boy Scouts of America
1324 Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

Re: Anthony Michael Santini

Dear Paul:

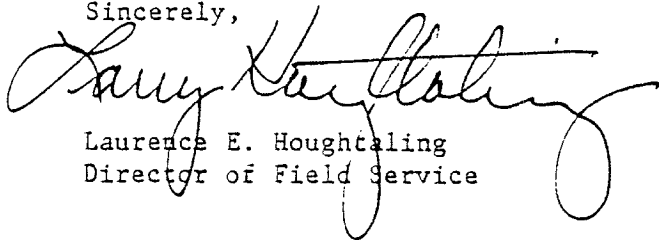
You will recall that there has been quite a bit of correspondence regarding the suspension of Mr. Santini's registration with the BSA.

Following a thorough investigation, it is our opinion and recommendation that Mr. Santini's file be closed, and that he once again be allowed to register with the BSA. The enclosed letter and supporting documentation speaks to our findings.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call.

Thanking you for your consideration and cooperation, I am,

Sincerely,



Laurence E. Houghtaling
Director of Field Service

Encl.
LEH/me

cc: Earle P. Brown, Council President
Paul R. Davis, Jr., Scout Executive
William C. Evans, Vice President - District Operations
Con D. Silard, Jr., Council Commissioner
Thomas E. Weir, Vice President - Membership/Relationships

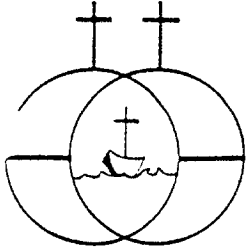


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American Institute of Practical Theology, Inc.

POST OFFICE BOX 642

RIVERDALE, MARYLAND 20737

THE REV. THOMAS E. WEIR, Ph.D., DIRECTOR

(301) 927-8054

November 29, 1990

Mr. Paul I. Ernst
Director of Registration
National Office
Boy Scouts of America
1324 Walnut Hill Lane
P. O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

Dear Mr. Ernst:

The undersigned ad hoc committee of the National Capital Area Council, Boy Scouts of America met with Mr. Anthony M. Santini at the Marriott Scout Service Center on the evening of November 8, 1990, in accordance with the letter (copy appended) from Laurence E. Houghtaling, Director of Field Service, National Capital Area Council, Boy Scouts of America dated October 20, 1990. Also present at Mr. Santini's request were B. H. Powell, Patuxent District Training Chair, Mrs. Dottie Strong, District Cub Leader Training Chair and Scoutmaster Lee Jennings.

At the beginning of the interview, the committee informed Mr. Santini that we were authorized to review his application on behalf of the Council and recommend (a) that his registration be reinstated, (b) that he not be reinstated or (c) that the decision be postponed. He was also informed that the final decision on reinstatement would be made by the National Council. Mr. Santini agreed to proceed within these limits. The committee assured Mr. Santini that his distinguished record as a Scouter and as a public servant was not in question. If details of his achievements and commendations are required, the committee can furnish substantial documentation.

The committee explored three specific areas of interest:

1. The accusation by Mr. Santini's [REDACTED] that when she was sixteen he sexually molested her.
2. The charge of assault against Mr. Santini filed by [REDACTED] the former [REDACTED]
3. The charge of telephone harassment preferred by [REDACTED] Mr. Santini's supervisor in the Federal Protective Service.

The committee's findings are as follows:

1. Child molestation. The committee is convinced that Mr. Santini was the victim of misuse by [REDACTED]

[redacted] of the comprehensive protection provided by the Maryland child protection laws. Specifically, it appears that she used the accusation in her efforts to circumvent reasonable [redacted]. The state did not find Mr. Santini culpable; there was not enough evidence to warrant his appearance before a grand jury.

The committee agrees with the state that Mr. Santini was not culpable in the matter of child molestation.

2. Assault. The charge of assault was filed subsequent to an incident which occurred in the facilities of St. Bernard's Church in Riverdale, Maryland, the Chartered Partner for Troop 252 and Pack 252. [redacted] then church athletic director, had nailed shut the door between the Scout room and the gym, to prevent use of the gym by the Scouts and Cubs, although Troop and Pack had permission to use the gym. When [redacted] a Den Mother with more than twenty-five years of experience, complained to [redacted] he was abusive to her. She asked Mr. Santini for help. When he began to remove the nails in the door, [redacted] confronted him. [redacted] brushed against Mr. Santini, and Mr. Santini grabbed him by the lapels. No blows were exchanged. [redacted] charged Mr. Santini with assault, but did not appear in court when the case was called, and the charges were dropped. Father Harry W. Jacobs, Associate Pastor/Moderator of St. Bernard's fully supports Mr. Santini.

The office of athletic director is an elective volunteer position responsible to the Church's Athletic Association. Shortly after the incident, [redacted] was not reelected and left the position. The committee believes that [redacted] was not serious in making this charge, but intended only to embarrass Mr. Santini.

3. Telephone harassment. Mr. Santini admits making a harassing telephone call to [redacted]. According to Mr. Santini, the conflict with [redacted] originated with the latter's resentment of Mr. Santini's advocacy of blacks when the latter was senior shop steward of Local 1733, American Federation of Government Workers. The call at issue was made after a number of anonymous telephone calls believed to be from [redacted] to Mr. Santini, his family and others, the tenor of which was that Mr. Santini was "dead meat." Mr. Santini responded in kind, only to find that [redacted] had anticipated the call and arranged for a trace. The court awarded Mr. Santini three years of probation on condition that he seek counseling. Mr. Santini has satisfied all terms of his probation, including counseling.

The committee feels it is important to note that on several occasions [redacted] followed Mr. Santini to his part time job and taunted him there. Mr. Santini maturely resisted the temptation to respond either verbally or physically to this threat.

The committee contacted Mr. James Hooks, President of the union. Mr. Hooks advised that Mr. Santini has been hounded by [redacted] for years because Santini had stood up for the rights of blacks while serving as second Vice-President of the union. He feels early progress towards racial equality is due in large part to Mr. Santini's courage in facing entrenched racism.

The committee believes that the charge of telephone harassr and pursued by [redacted] to retaliate for Mr. Santini's union activity.

Tab # 1

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With regard to the broader and perhaps more important qu Santini's behavior, the committee notes that although Mr. Santini has a l and Scouts, there is no question of his behavior within the Scout Move pointed out that there is no indication that Mr. Santini has ever struck :

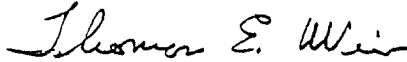
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Allan G. Wickersty, Ph.D. has been Mr. Santini's psychotherapi: accusation in 1987 by [redacted] r. We have Dr. Wickersty's written recommendation (copy appended) and have further

discussed his opinions by telephone. In Mr. Santini's favor, he points out that in spite of [REDACTED] disruptive behavior over an extended period of time, "Mr. Santini has both handled himself and his family's concerns appropriately and with integrity."

Dr. Wickersty recommends that Mr. Santini be reinstated. He feels both Mr. Santini and the Troop would benefit from the restored relationship.

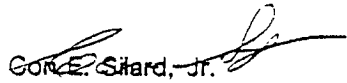
The committee therefore recommends that the confidential file on Anthony M. Santini be closed and that the Boy Scouts of America approve Mr. Santini's Scouter application.



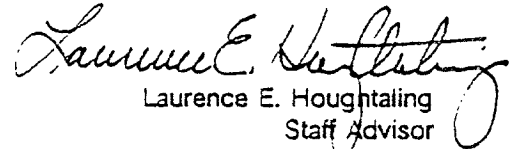
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Vice-President
National Capital Area Council



William C. Evans
Vice President
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Gordon E. Stard, Jr.
Council Commissioner
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Laurence E. Houghtaling
Staff Advisor
National Capital Area Council

cc: Mr. Earle Palmer Brown, Council President
Mr. Paul R. Davis, Jr., Scout Executive



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October 20, 1990

Mr. Anthony M. Santini .

[REDACTED]
Riverdale, Maryland 20737

Dear Tony:

This is in followup to our meeting of October 2, 1990, and telephone conversation of October 11, 1990, concerning the request for review of your registration suspension.

Please be advised that a special council ad-hoc committee has been formed to review this matter. The members of this committee are:

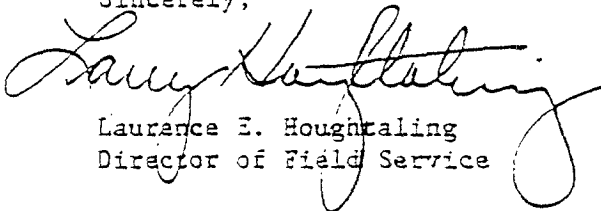
Dr. Thomas E. Weir, Vice President - Membership/Relationships (Chairman)
Mr. William C. Evans, Vice President - District Operations
Mr. Con D. Silard, Jr., Council Commissioner
Mr. Laurence E. Houghtaling, Director of Field Service (Staff Advisor)

The meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, November 8, 1990, 7:30 p.m., Board Meeting Room (second floor), Marriott Scout Service Center, 9190 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, Maryland.

In addition to yourself, you are invited to have a maximum of three (3) additional people present to speak on your behalf. I would suggest that one of these individuals be your psychologist, Dr. Allan Wickersty.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,


Laurence E. Houghtaling
Director of Field Service

LEH/me

cc: Paul R. Davis, Jr., Scout Executive
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Wickersty & Associates, Inc.

P.O. Box 646, Bladensburg, MD 20710 301-386-5425

November 8, 1990

Mr. Laurence E. Houghtaling
Director of Field Services
National Capital Area Council
Boy Scouts of America
9190 Wisconsin Ave.
Bethesda, MD 20814-3897

Dear Mr. Houghtaling,

I am sorry that I am unable to attend the meeting this evening concerning the Mr. Anthony Santini's relationship with his troop. As I mentioned, my family will be celebrating my mother and father-in-law's 50th wedding anniversary in Chicago tomorrow. I am sure that appropriate professional input during such a meeting would be very helpful - especially during the give and take of discussion. On the authorization of Mr. Santini, I am writing this letter in order to share my opinions.

I have known the Santini family since 1987 when he was referred to me through his Church. Mr. Santini began weekly individual counseling with me at that time. This was precipitated by a back injury which he suffered at work and which caused a disturbance in his family relationships. Fundamentally, his patterns of living and his financial base were all significantly changed by his inability to work. My opinion is that this strained the family's coping patterns to the breaking point. Often, in such situations, the [REDACTED] begin to act out the tensions within the family and problems flare-up on the job. In the Santini family, [REDACTED] began a long series of disruptive behaviors and serious accusations. Throughout all of these situations, Mr. Santini has both handled himself and his family's concerns appropriately and with integrity. To the best of my knowledge, all accusations have been dropped. For various periods of time, the family situation has stabilized and then on occasion, it becomes chaotic again.

Overall, Mr. Santini has successfully managed himself and his family through significant problem situations over the past three-plus years. In particular, he has successfully remained out of any kind of problem behavior that would reflect negatively on his activities with the BSA. My opinion is that the conditions for his current 'cooling off' period with BSA have been met and that he is fit and ready to return to active participation. Therefore, I recommend him to return to Assistant Scout Master at his troop.

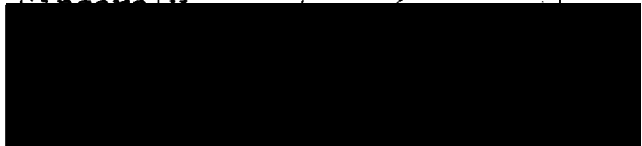
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One of the key factors in my making a recommendation is that his original back injury has not been repaired. In the process, he has been hospitalized a number of times, but he is still in chronic physical pain. On the positive side, he has taken responsibility over handling his appropriate medications (insulin, blood pressure medicine) and has conquered his inappropriate use of substances to relieve his pain. Nevertheless, he is clearly not in the prime of physical health and should be considered operating under severe physical limitations.

My opinion is that both he and the troop would benefit from Mr. Santini's active participation. BSA is a significant part of his life and he has much wisdom and experience to share with the troop.

Please feel free to contact me, if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,



Maryland Psychologist
License #1360

Psychologist



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December 5, 1989

Mr. Anthony M. Santini
[REDACTED]

Riverdale, Maryland 20737

Dear Tony:

This is in followup to our telephone conversation of last week concerning your request for reinstatement of registration with the Boy Scouts of America.

As you know, your original registration with the BSA was suspended in October 1988, while allegations of child sexual abuse, brought by [REDACTED], were being reviewed. In March of this year, I understand that this case was "thrown out of court" for insufficient evidence, and that [REDACTED] had moved back home with you and your family. Based on this, you asked that your registration be reinstated at that time. While checking with the court on this matter, two other criminal complaints also came to light:

1. January 1986 - Assault and Battery. Charges dropped because Plaintiff did not appear.
2. September - October 1987 - Telephone Harassment. Three years probation and counseling.

These we were not aware of. Although our investigation revealed that the authorities found no basis for the child sexual abuse charge, these other matters indicated extremely poor judgement and a lack of maturity; circumstances that would cause us to refuse registration with the BSA for anyone.

I understand that you are, and have been, undergoing therapy regarding these and other personal and health problems. As I explained during our meeting in April, and again over the telephone this past week, it is my personal opinion that much more time is needed before any consideration could be given for registration with the BSA. This was also confirmed in a recent conversation I had with our National Director of Registration.



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Mr. Anthony M. Santini
December 5, 1989
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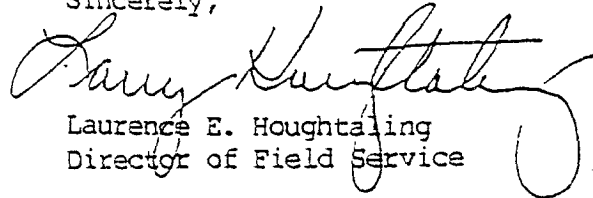
As you and I have discussed, you do have the option of appealing this decision by putting your version of the facts (in written form) supporting your claim that registration should not be denied. This would then be sent to:

Mr. Samuel A. McCullough
Regional President
Northeast Region
Boy Scouts of America
P.O. Box 350
Dayton, New Jersey 08810

The Regional President will then appoint a committee to review the information that you submit. Please keep in mind that any correspondence of this nature should be marked "Personal and Confidential".

If there is anything unclear in the procedures that I've outlined, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Laurence E. Houghtaling
Director of Field Service

LEH:kpp

bcc: Paul R. Davis, Jr., Scout Executive
✓ Paul I. Ernst, Director Registration Service
Rudolph Flythe, Regional Director
David I. Sharp, Area Director

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May 1, 1989

Mr. Paul Davis
Scout Executive
National Capital Area Council, No. 82

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Anthony Michael Santini

Dear Paul:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: Northeast Region

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MAY 02 1989
ERIN O'RILEY

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March 20, 1989

TO: Laurence E. Houghtaling, Director of Field Service
FROM: Paul ~~W.~~ Davis, Jr., Scout Executive
SUBJECT: B.S.A. Confidential File - Anthony M. Santini

The attached letter regarding Anthony Michael Santini was received today. The letter is self explanatory. As you can see, the B.S.A. chooses to keep Tony Santini on their Confidential File. As a result, we do not have authority to register Tony in any Scouting capacity should he make application.

Since the charges against Tony Santini have been dropped, it would seem appropriate to obtain a statement to that affect from the police department. I did forward to the National Office, the memo prepared by Robert E. Mersereau, Field Director, but something more official and formal is required.

Please address this with Donald G. Fornoff, Senior District Executive M/P, and Robert E. Mersereau, Field Director, and see if we can get some further documentation.

PRD:jbp

cc: ✓ Paul I. Ernst, Director Registration Service
Donald G. Fornoff, Senior District Executive M/P
Robert E. Mersereau, Field Director

Attachment



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

National Office
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214-580-2000

March 16, 1989

Mr. Paul R. Davis, Jr.
Scout Executive
National Capital Area Council, No. 82

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Anthony Michael Santini

Dear Paul:

I appreciated your letter of March 7, concerning the above named individual. You indicated in this letter that the case had been "thrown out of court" for insufficient evidence.

It is not necessary to have a person convicted of a crime in order to place him on the confidential file and keep him there. I have a real problem with this because something must have happened for this to have gone as far as it did and to reach a pending case situation.

You also indicated that there were complaints about phones being used to harass an individual. This in itself shows very poor judgment and a lack of maturity.

You also indicated in your first letter another case which showed an assault charge filed against Mr. Santini which was dismissed because an individual did not show up for the hearing.

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After having all these concerns, I did review this with our corporate attorney and he felt that we should retain Mr. Santini on our confidential file. I, therefore, would like to suggest that we not cancel the file for Mr. Santini but maintain an open file which would lead to refusal of registration should an attempt be made.

I would appreciate your comments, if you feel you can not live with this decision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Paul", written in dark ink.

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: Northeast Region



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National Office
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

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DAVID PARK -
I DON'T FEEL
COMFORTABLE
CANCELLING THIS
CASE.
ADVICE, PLEASE.



Paul Ernst
214-580-2510
5108

March 16, 1939

Mr. Paul R. Davis, Jr.
Scout Executive
National Capital Area Council, No. 32

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Anthony Michael Santini

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After having all these concerns, I did review this with our corporate attorney and he felt that we should retain Mr. Santini on our confidential file. I, therefore, would like to suggest that we not cancel the file for Mr. Santini but maintain an open file which would lead to refusal of registration should an attempt be made.

I would appreciate your comments, if you feel you can not live with this decision.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: Northeast Region

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March 13, 1989

Mr. Paul I. Ernst
Director of Registration
National Office
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Dear Paul:

Per our conversation this morning, I am enclosing
the memo that was accidentally omitted from your letter.

Please accept our apologies for the omission.

Sincerely,

Ann Davis
Office/Systems Manager

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Enclosure



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February 21, 1989

TO: Laurence E. Houghtaling, Director of Field Service
FROM: Robert E. Mersereau, Field Director *R. E. Mersereau*
SUBJ: Anthony Santini

As you requested, I contacted Detective DeLoutch [REDACTED] of the Prince George's County Police Department. I asked him for the status of the case regarding Mr. Santini and allegations of sexual abuse by [REDACTED].

Detective DeLoutch reported that the case was "thrown out of court" because officials declined to prosecute Mr. Santini. They were unable to present sufficient evidence to substantiate the allegations of [REDACTED]. I asked Detective DeLoutch if this meant that nothing occurred between Mr. Santini and [REDACTED]. He could not be sure that anything did or did not occur, only that the investigation yielded insufficient evidence to prosecute. He did seem a bit defensive, stating several times that such allegations must always be investigated.

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March 7, 1989

Mr. Paul I. Ernst
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Dear Paul:

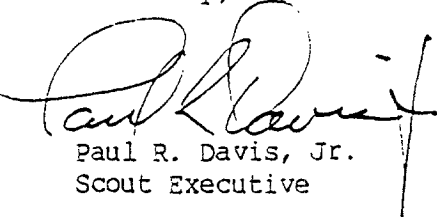
On October 7, 1988 we forwarded to you a memo and on October 21, 1988 a Confidential Record Sheet that announced the suspension of Anthony M. Santini, Pack/Troop 252, Riverdale, Maryland. Mr. Santini had been suspended while allegations of child sexual abuse (brought by [REDACTED]) were being investigated.

The enclosed memo from Robert E. Mersereau, Field Director, directed to Laurence E. Houghtaling, Director of Field Service, dated February 1, 1989 states that the case was thrown out of court (for insufficient evidence). Based upon this turn of events, the suspension of Anthony M. Santini is herewith revoked.

While our office does not plan to notify Mr. Santini of this relief of suspension, there will be no deliberate attempt to restrict Mr. Santini's registration should he submit an application.

It would be very much appreciated if you would clear the Confidential File on Mr. Santini.

Sincerely,


Paul R. Davis, Jr.
Scout Executive

*ENCLOSURE To
JME 3-13-89*

PRD:jbp

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- cc: Ann L. Davis, Office/Systems Manager
- Donald G. Fornoff, Senior District Executive
- Robert E. Mersereau, Field Director
- Laurence E. Houghtaling, Director of Field Service
- David I. Sharp, Area Director



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To: Paul Ernst

From: Judith B. Penum

Subject: Anthony Santini

Date: 3/9/89

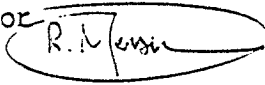
In my haste on 3/7/89 the enclosed memo was omitted from your envelope.


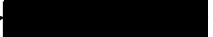
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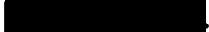
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Thank you.

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March 7, 1989

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Mr. Paul Davis
Scout Executive
National Capital Area Council, No. 32

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: ANTHONY MICHAEL SANTINI

Dear Paul:

This case has now come to the "top of the list" and I am following up related to the outcome of the legal action. You previously indicated that there was a sexual abuse charge against Mr. Santini.

The only thing we now need is the outcome of the legal action and any sentencing which may be imposed. This would then complete our case and give us all the information necessary for stopping his registration anywhere in the country. Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: Northeast Region

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October 27, 1988

Mr. Paul Davis
Scout Executive
National Capital Area Council, No. 82

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Anthony Michael Santini

Dear Paul:

I really appreciate the careful work you always do, whenever you have problems with registered individuals. The Confidential Record Sheet gives us adequate information for identifying Mr. Santini, should he attempt registration in some other location.

We will want the outcome of the legal action, once this is completed, related to the incest charges.

I am sure you will keep me informed as newspaper clippings or court records become available. The final outcome will be most helpful to us in completing this file.

Thanks again for your help in protecting the youth of America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: Northeast Region

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October 21, 1988

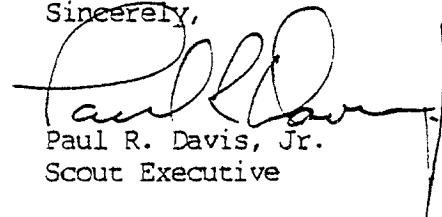
Mr. Paul I. Ernst
Director of Registration
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Dear Paul:

The enclosed Confidential Record Sheet is forwarded in support of my letter of October 7, 1988 regarding accusation of child abuse by Anthony Michael Santini. Were it possible I certainly would have wanted to provide greater detail, but that would be difficult, if not impossible.

Additional information will be forthcoming as this case develops.

Sincerely,



Paul R. Davis, Jr.
Scout Executive

PRD: jbp

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October 7, 1988

Mr. Paul V. Ernst
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Dear Paul:

The enclosed memo dated October 6, 1988 from Donald G. Fornoff, Senior District Executive is self-explanatory.

My letter with this support information serves to request that Anthony M. Santini be placed on the Confidential File until the stated charges have been resolved.

Information concerning address, telephone number and date of birth has been added for clarification.

Confidential Information Form will be prepared and forwarded upon completion.

Sincerely,

Paul R. Davis, Jr.
Scout Executive

cc: Carl L. Gell, Legal Counsel, National Capital Area Council
Laurence E. Houghtaling, Director of Field Service, NCAC
W. Don Ladd, Council President, NCAC

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CONFIDENTIAL

To: Paul R. Davis, Jr.
Scout Executive

Fm: Donald G. Fornoff
Senior District Executive

Date: October 6, 1988

Subj: Adult member, Anthony Michael Santini, charges of
Child Sexual Abuse

To follow on my phone report to Bob Mersereau of October 5, 1988, I submit this memorandum regarding this case.

On October 4, 1988 after a chartered partner conference conducted with Associate Pastor Fr. Harry Jacobs of St. Bernard's R.C. Church, I asked Fr. Jacobs for his opinion of Mr. Santini, who had been active as a WL and SA with Pack and Troop 252 of the parish. Fr. Jacobs indicated Mr. Santini had acted a bit strange at times, and by the way, had I heard of the abuse case against Mr. Santini.

I quickly drove to the Clerk of the Court in Upper Marlboro to research the case.

Briefly, I found:

Pending case # 659913E2, charge of child abuse. Warrant served on 9/12/88. Hearing scheduled for 10/14/88. The complaint determined the victim was [REDACTED] (DOB [REDACTED]), with charges of repeated sexual contacts between January of 1987 and the first week of July 1988. At that time the police intervened.

Additionally, a pending case # CR646697E2 reveals:

Mr. Santini is charged with unlawful use of telephone. The victim charges numerous annoying hangup phone calls with the intent to harass. The calls are traced to Mr. Santini's work and home telephones.

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A third case which was closed on 4/21/86 shows a charge of assault filed against Mr. Santini. The case was dismissed because the defendant did not show at the hearing.

Clearly, the abuse case warrants your immediate action. I have included information about the other 2 cases to emphasize further that Mr. Santini does not deserve the privilege of B.S.A. membership.

I will complete the necessary forms on Friday 10/7/88 and remain ready to further assist you.

Anthony M. Santini

[REDACTED]
Riverdale, Maryland 20737

Telephone: [REDACTED]

Date of Birth 12/24/48