

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

DATE June 3, 1966

Full Name Rupert, Robert  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address 260 Lucille Avenue

City Norfolk State Virginia

Age 31 (This is important and should be exact)

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

Religion Protestant - Presbyterian Nationality American

Occupation Office manager in a finance company

Education Not known - would

Weight 160 (est.) Color White Height Close to 6'

Color of hair Brown Color of eyes Blue

Outstanding characteristics or interests Cheerful-outgoing-likes fishing

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>
<u>F-13</u>	<u>Norfolk</u>	<u>Va.</u>	<u>S.M.</u>	<u>9/60</u>	<u>4/5/66</u>
<u>Po-13</u>	<u>Norfolk</u>	<u>Va.</u>	<u>Advisor</u>	<u>5/65</u>	<u>4/5/66</u>

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

Recommended for Confidential File for following reasons:

Refer to my letter of April 4, 1966 to Howard Boyd.

Signed Harold R. [Signature]  
Scout Executive

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Order in Cause No. 03-2-3774-9

Howard Byrd - I'm sorry  
to have held this so long, but  
I've been preoccupied with finance  
matters. I know we were pro-  
tected from my letter on 4/4/66  
so I set it aside until I  
got time & it got buried for  
awhile. Best regards, ~~Harriet~~  
6-3-66

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[REDACTED]  
Norfolk, Va. 23505  
April 4, 1966

Mr. Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration  
Boy Scouts of America  
New Brunswick, N. J.

Dear Howard:

You'll recall my phone call on March 18th concerning the case of the Scoutmaster in one of our churches who had a Scout office and adjacent Scout room on the third floor of the church for which he had the only key.

You'll recall that one of the lady employees in our office overheard a conversation among some boys who had come over to visit her brother in their home. After the other boys had gone she questioned her brother further and he told her enough to have her come to Bob Davis and me.

She had her brother come into the office and in her presence he told me of two incidents he had personally experienced with the Scoutmaster, one on the first hike when the Scoutmaster invited him to spend the night in his tent and loaned him a sleeping bag. The boy was awakened with the Scoutmaster's hands in the bag. The second incident occurred only a year or eighteen months ago when the Scoutmaster arranged with the boy's parents for him to spend the night in his home, but changed the locale to the Troop room where they spent the night on wrestling mats following a late evening's work in the quartermaster's room straightening things up. The Scoutmaster started with a massage ending up in illegal places on the boy's body.

I tried to follow your advice and get the boy to put his story in writing, but his father would not allow it unless I could get other boys to do the same.

I interviewed a middle aged former Assistant Scoutmaster and attempted to find out as much as I could on the basis of a "rumor" I had heard, but he knew of nothing definite although he, too, had heard rumors and recalled that the Scoutmaster spend a lot of time "settling down the boys" after taps on hikes, and in one case spent 45 minutes at one tent. However, he did not know that anything out of line had gone on.

My leads seemed to stop here and I counseled with the Pastor of the Church, My President and an Attorney on our Board. We all felt it wise to go ahead and confront the Scoutmaster prior to a Session meeting on March 28th when he was to be before the Session for disobeying instructions concerning the hour of leaving the Scout room at night and the frequency of his spending time at night there.

So, on Saturday, March 26th, I confronted him in the Pastor's office and in the presence of one layman in the church whom the Pastor wanted present. Of course, he pretended he didn't know what I was talking about, but then he did say that he had been fighting gossip for a year or so spread by a mother who was jealous of his having more influence on her son than she had, etc. I assured him that no mother's tale was involved in this case the knowledge which had come to me and that I was convinced beyond a doubt.

He tendered his resignation effective immediately as Scoutmaster and Explorer Advisor of Troop and Post 13 as well as the Sunday School Teacher's job at the church. I picked up his cards with the exception of Explorer Advisor which he did not seem to find and we checked him out of the Scout office and room and got his key which, of course, the Pastor took.

His name is Bob Rupert. I presume you will send the usual form to fill out. *Sincerely,*

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June 8, 1966

Mr. Harold V. Pace  
Scout Executive  
Tidewater Council, No. 596

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Robert Rupert

Dear Harold:

Thank you for your confidential record sheet dated June 3, 1966 concerning Robert Rupert, formerly registered in Troop and Post 13. We have placed this additional information in our files.

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

Sincerely yours,  
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration

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April 14, 1966

Mr. Harold V. Pace  
Scout Executive  
Tidewater Council, No. 596

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Robert Rupert  
SM, Troop 13; Advisor, Post 13

Dear Harold:

Thank you for your letter of April 4 with further regard to Robert Rupert, Scoutmaster of Troop 13 and Advisor of Post 13. We have placed this information in our files and have taken steps to have his name removed from the respective rosters.

Enclosed is a confidential record sheet which we would appreciate your filling out and returning to us as soon as possible. This information will enable us to identify Mr. Rupert should he ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program.

Sincerely yours,  
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration

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Encl.

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