

ADKINS, Royce 71

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CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET

REGISTRATION AND FULFILLMENT SERVICE

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE November 12, 1971

FULL NAME Royce Lee Adkins  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS 3403 Third Avenue

CITY Huntington STATE W. Va. ZIP CODE 25702

AGE 28 (This is important and should be exact)

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

RELIGION Protestant NATIONALITY \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION Student at Marshall Unoversity

EDUCATION Marshall University

WEIGHT 200 - 210 COLOR White HEIGHT 5'9" - 5'10"

COLOR OF HAIR Black COLOR OF EYES Black

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

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 REGISTERED</u>	<u>DATE RESIGNED</u>
Roster	Huntington	W. Va.	Training Chrm.		11/71

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

RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

Homosexual activities with boys.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council \_\_\_\_\_

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November 15, 1971

Mr. Byron E. McNeely  
Scout Executive  
Tri-State Area Council, No. 672

Personal and Confidential  
Re: Royce Lee Adkins

Dear Mr. McNeely:

Thank you for your letter of November 8 and the attached pertinent data concerning Royce Lee Adkins. This is exactly the type of material we require for our Confidential File and we appreciate your efforts in getting them for us.

We have placed the information in our file and have taken steps to have Mr. Adkins name deleted from our records. You handled the entire situation very well and we thank you for a job well done.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Supervisor  
Registration and Membership

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November 12, 1971

TO: DAVID J. BOSHEA

Information has come to us from the Scout Executive in Huntington, West Virginia to put Royce Lee Adkins on our Confidential File.

Royce Adkins is a Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow Lodge, Thal-Coo-Zyo # 457; he is 27 years old and he resides at 3404 3rd Ave., Huntington, W. Va. His rank in Scouting is that of District Training Chairman.

Joseph Early - jc

cc: Emilie Kotrba

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517 NINTH STREET  
HUNTINGTON, W. VA. 25701

PHONE 523-3408

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# T TRI-STATE AREA COUNCIL BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

PERSONAL AND  
CONFIDENTIAL

November 8, 1971

Registration and Fulfillment Service  
Boy Scouts of America  
North Brunswick, New Jersey 08902

Gentlemen:

The attached information is submitted for your files. The man in question has not been accused of anything by me or the Boy Scouts of America. He was asked to resign and remove himself completely from the organization on the basis of this information and personal interviews with the young men making the statements.

Sincerely yours,

Byron McNeely  
Scout Executive

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Encl: Statements by boys  
Description  
Letter of resignation

cc: Region 4



PARTICIPATING AGENCY - CABELL-WAYNE UNITED FUND - BOYD COUNTY COMMUNITY CHEST

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DYKES\_I\_004003

November 12, 1971

DESCRIPTION

ROYCE LEE ADKINS                      Phone 523-9178  
3403 Third Avenue  
Huntington, W. Va. 25702

Social Security [REDACTED]  
Age - 28  
Hair - Black  
Eyes - Black  
Height - 5'9" - 5'10" (about)  
Weight - 200 to 210 lb.  
Marital Status - Single  
Race - White  
Religion - Protestant  
Occupation - Student at Marshall University

Physical features - has a pronounced over bite of upper teeth  
and lip.

Left handed

Hobby - Likes to make and wear indian costumes and ceremonial  
gear. His work is good.

Scouting activity - Presently registered as training chairman in  
District #2 - Council 672.

Active in Order of Arrow - Vigil member 1968.

Military service - Council records show service with U. S. Army  
Dental Clinic, addresses at Ft. Sherdian, Ill.  
and a San Francisco, Calif. APO number.  
Dates of service unknown.

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November 2, 1971

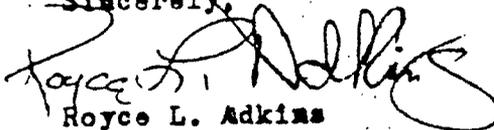
Tri State Area Council  
Boy Scouts of America  
517 9th St.  
Huntington, W. Va.

Gentlemen,

For personal reasons I find it necessary to resign  
from all phases of the Scouting program.

This resignation is to be effective immediately  
and is to be considered permanent. Please cooperate  
by not requesting my future participation in any manner.

Sincerely,



Royce L. Adkins

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To whom it may concern;

During this past summer I worked at Boy Scout Camp Arrowhead as a nature counselor. I had heard a great many rumors and jokes about the homosexuality of the camp director (Royce Adkins) but had no proof and as such dismissed them. I talked to Royce often - about the program, about working at camp and about a particular incident in which I was involved (but has no connection with this) - and had always been treated fairly. I had respect for him. About two weeks before regular camp ended, I became quite ill and late that night I was borne on a stretcher to the health lodge. I was subjected to a regular examination and relieved of my clothing. I was placed in a back room to sleep. At one point sometime in the night (with all lights out) Royce came in to check on me. After feeling various parts of my body he placed his hand within my underwear and rested his hand on my pubic area. I started which caused his hasty retreat from the room. He evidently thought I had been asleep. I swear the above statement to be the truth!

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Troop #2

Staff '71

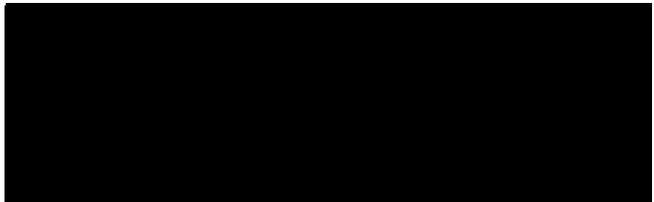
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October 13, 1991  
by [REDACTED]  
from [REDACTED]

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On night at Pat Harns  
house while sleeping I was  
awakened by a person  
and he put his hand on  
my - public area and then  
I pushed his hand away  
and then he wanted me  
to touch him and I moved  
away



CAMP STAFF 70" 70"



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Chapter

Life Scout.

Held for  
investigation  
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To whom it may concern,

I have been asked to sign a statement concerning the moral behavior of Royce Adkins. I have full knowledge of the scope of this accusation and I, in no way, compose this statement with the least bit of malice, prejudice, or discrepancy against his personality, qualifications, leadership ability, etc.

On a Saturday night while camping with troop 55 at the River Bend campsite at Camp Arrowhead Royce Adkins and I decided to tent together. I was awoken by Royce Adkins massaging my penis and pubic area. I was very deeply shocked and surprised because I had acquired an admiration and respect for him in the past. I ran out of the tent and walked around for about five minutes. It was very cold and I started coughing and I couldn't stop so I didn't stay out in the cold and I went to get under the blankets. When I layed down Royce Adkins said he would "goose" me the next time I coughed and he did, And when he did I hit him. Then he grabbed my hand and tried to make me touch his pubic area so I hit him again. Then he reached for me again and I said, "If you want to see it wait til daylight." This is when he stopped.

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I swear that this statement is true and will testify that it is valid and will, at any time, if asked to do so, give a personal account to it as long as I will not jepordize myself when doing so.

In my opinion this act should not, by any circumstances, be duplicated at any time in the future. Because this act of homosexuality could very easily ruin the image of the Boy Scout movement as well as ruin the lives of many young citizens, I think that Royce Adkins should be expeled from the Natl. scouting movement.

I certify that this statement is valid and by no means an exaduration.

[REDACTED]  
Eagle Scout  
Jr. Asst. Scoutmaster T-503  
Camp Staff  
S.P.L. medal  
Secretary of OA,  
Vigil Honor Member  
High School Graduate

Received  
October 13, 1971  
by Byron McAuley  
from [REDACTED]

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