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CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET

REGISTRATION, SUBSCRIPTION AND STATISTICAL SERVICE

APPENDIX A

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE September 21, 1982

FULL NAME James William Froehlig
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS 2618 Queen Avenue North

CITY Minneapolis STATE Minnesota ZIP CODE 55411

DATE OF BIRTH 11/8/44 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE _____ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION Catholic NATIONALITY _____

OCCUPATION Maintenance, Public Health Department

EDUCATION High School

WEIGHT 155 HEIGHT 5'8" RACE White

COLOR OF HAIR Black COLOR OF EYES Brown

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS Has mustache and glasses

MARRIED OR SINGLE Single CHILDREN none
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

NAME OF SPOUSE none

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	POSITION	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
P 179	Minneapolis	Mn	WL	10/31/76	7/19/82
T 179	Minneapolis	Mn	SM	10/31/70	7/19/82

SPECIAL RECOGNITION Eagle Scout

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

This information was previously submitted in detail.

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):

APPROVED

JAN 25 '83

JOSEPH L. ANTONI

Signed Keith Kelly, Dir. of Adm.
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council Viking - 289

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January 25, 1983

Mr. C. M. Hammett
Scout Executive
Viking Council, No. 289

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: James William Froehlig

Dear Clarence:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have now placed this man on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: North Central Region

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August 17, 1982

Mr. Keith Kelsey
Director of Administration
Viking Council, No. 289

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: James Froehlig

Dear Keith:

Thank you for the material which you have sent us relating to the above named individual. We certainly feel that you have justification for refusing registration in your council. If you have any other information which you feel could strengthen our files nationally, we would like to have this material.

If you can send us more material related to the followup of Mr. Froehlig's counseling, we would also appreciate this. This will help to give us material in case he moves to some other area of the country and tries to register.

I am enclosing a Confidential Records Sheet which we would appreciate having completed. This will enable us to identify Mr. Froehlig at a later time when neither you or I may be in our same positions.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

cc: Clarence M. Hammett, Scout Executive, Council 289
J. Thomas Ford, Jr., North Central Region
Ralph W. Jordan, Jr., Area Director, North Central Region

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TO: National Office, Boy Scouts of America
FROM: Keith Kelsey, Director of Administration
Council #289
DATE: July 20, 1982

Attached is a copy of a memo to our Scout Executive, Clarence Hammett.
The registration should be pulled for James Froehlig, 2618 Queen Ave. N.,
Minneapolis, MN 55411 in Troop 179 and Pack 179.

cc: Ralph Jordan,
Area Director

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TO: Clarence Hammett
 FROM: Keith Kelsey *KK*
 DATE: July 13
 SUBJECT: Sexual Child Abuse

On July 12, 1982, Mike Neeley came to me and said that some Scouters were coming in regarding possible sexual child abuse. Mike asked me to sit in on the meeting.

Greg Brown, Scoutmaster Troop 405, Tom Wills, Mike Neeley, and myself met in Bob Gagner's office at the Scout Service Center.

The following incidents were reported as possible child abuse by Jim Froehlig, Scoutmaster of Troop 179.

1. Troop 405 and 179 attended Many Point Camp together (1981). Froehlig stopped by camp. Was holding and cuddling a child believed to be a Webelo. Did not know who he was. Was taking this child and Scott Benner, a Scout of Troop 178 to camp at Itaska State Park.
2. On various occasions, Froehlig observed touching boys that adults didn't think quite right. Grabbed [redacted] on leg. [redacted] told him to keep his hands off his son.
3. [redacted] mentioned an incident concerning his son, [redacted]. Froehlig grabbed [redacted]'s penis and told him "Don't pull back and it won't hurt". This occurred at Many Point over Memorial Day, 1982.
4. Both troops went together on a trip to Buffalo, Wyoming from July 1, 1982 to July 10, 1982. [redacted] an older boy in Troop 405 was friendly with [redacted] of Troop 405. [redacted] told [redacted] he did not want to sleep in Froehlig tent because he was afraid of him because of way Froehlig had touched him. After returning home, [redacted] told his father, who contacted [redacted] and [redacted]. [redacted] talked to [redacted] who confirmed his conversation with his father.
5. While on the above trip, Froehlig was observed with Tony [redacted] in Froehlig's lap and Froehlig cuddling him.
6. Froehlig insisted that his crew of boys sleep in the nude or if using pajamas, then they should not wear undershorts.
7. [redacted] of Troop 179 stated that "touching" of boys had happened with other boys in the troop.

From the above discussion, it was decided that the following be invited to a meeting in the Council Service Center for Thursday, July 15 at 7:30 P.M.

[redacted]

Trip Leaders

Gerald Johnson, Scouting Coord.
 Charles Hilgeduck, Committee Chrm.
 both of Troop 179

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TO: Clarence Hammett
FROM: Keith Kelsey
DATE: July 16, 1982
SUBJECT: Followup Meeting on Troop 405 & Troop 179

On Thursday, July 15, the following met in the office of the Scout Executive at 7:30 PM: Greg Brown, [REDACTED], James Vratisky, Charles Hilgedick, [REDACTED], Jack McDevitt, and Keith Kelsey.

After going over the information contained in my previous report, it was decided to try and get ahold of Froehlig and ask him to come to the Council office. We reached him at 10:15 P.M. and he appeared at 10:45 PM. I was asked to be the spokesman for the group.

I stated that some allegations had been made against him in regards to fondling of boys. I then went through the instances mentioned in my first report after which Froehlig remarked "I have to say that the allegations are true".

I told Froehlig under the the circumstances he should not be in contact with any members of his troop again. He agreed.

It was agreed that Froehlig would be given the opportunity to call the Hennepin County Child Protection Agency and report the incidents and seek help for himself. He was to call me the following day after he had called. Jim Froehlig called today and in a 3-way conversation with Jack McDevitt and myself he reported that he had contacted the Child Abuse Agency, this was later confirmed, and that he had an appointment with a doctor this coming Monday. He said he was going to contact his priest because he needed some help right away. Jack and I urged him to do this.

I have advised Andy Wangstad of this situation.

Jack and I urged the Troops to have a program on Child Abuse conducted for their Troops as soon as possible. Jack also agreed to send some materials that could be helpful for such a meeting.

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