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CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
REGISTRATION, SUBSCRIPTION, and STATISTICAL SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Date October 2, 1980

Full name Brian Hughes

Address 241 West Grand Street

City Elizabeth, State New Jersey Zip Code 07201

Date of birth (This is important and should be exact.)

Approximate age 45 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

Religion Catholic Nationality

Occupation Teacher

Education

Weight 225 Height 6 feet Race Caucasian

Color of hair Brown Color of eyes

Outstanding characteristics or interests Bald spot on top

Married or single Single Children

Wife's name

(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Scouting connections:

Unit No. T25 City Elizabeth State NJ Office SM

Date registered 2/28/80 Date resigned 6/30/80

Special recognition

Suspended or denied registration for following reasons:

Moral - Financial

(See attached materials)

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):

F. STARON

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Signed SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council Watchung Area

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January 30, 1981

Paul I. Ernst
Director Registration, Subscription
and Statistical Services
National Office - BSA
P.O. Box 61030
Dallas/Fort Worth Airport, Texas 75261

Subject: Brian Hughes

Dear Paul:

Enclosed is the latest article on Brian Hughes. As you can see he used several alias'. You may wish to add these to your Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Alfred D. Morin, Jr.
Scout Executive

Enclosure
January 22, 1981

Mr. Alfred D. Morin, Jr.
Scout Executive
Watchung Area Council #358

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Brian Hughes

Dear Al:

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

Sincerely,

Paul L. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription and
Statistical Services
Teacher arrested

ELIZABETH (AP) — A former parochial school teacher and Boy Scout leader has been arrested in California on New Jersey charges that he sexually assaulted five boys during scouting activities, officials said.

Gerald Paul Esposito, 46, was arrested on a federal warrant Monday in Santa Ana, where he was teaching in another parochial school under the name of Paul Gerald Murphy, said Union County Prosecutor John F. Stanler.

Last year, Esposito used the name Brian Hughes as a teacher and scout leader at St. Michael's School in Elizabeth, when he allegedly assaulted the five schoolboys, aged 12 and 13, the prosecutor said.

Hughes was indicted by a Union County grand jury Sept. 30 on two counts of aggravated sexual assault, one count of sexual assault and four counts of aggravated sexual activity, prosecutors said.

"If convicted of all charges, Esposito could face 70 years in prison," Stanler said.

A multi-state alert was issued for Esposito, who was last seen during the closing weeks of school in June 1980.

The suspect, who was being held in a California jail in lieu of $20,000 bond, allegedly committed the assaults on scout camping trips and at his apartment under the pretext of scout activities, Stanler said.

Officials said the federal warrant for Esposito listed unrelated charges from other states.
Mr. Paul Ernst  
Boy Scouts of America  
P.O. Box 61030  
Dallas, Fort Worth Airport, TX 75261

Dear Mr. Ernst:

Per my letter of October 6, 1980, regarding Brian Hughes, this letter is to inform you of additional information concerning Hughes.

To date, Brian Hughes has not been apprehended. Further investigation has disclosed that Hughes has used several aliases and different dates of birth which you should be aware of in the event Hughes uses any of these aliases to register as a scoutmaster. The aliases used are as follows:

Gerald Paul Esposito, Gerald P. Esposito, Gerald Esposito, Jerry Esposito, Paul Page, Paul Esposito and Brian Reed

Brian Hughes has also used the following dates of birth in addition to 12/25/35:

5/2/37, 4/3/37, 4/20/37

Once again, I request that you contact this Office if Brian Hughes attempts to register as a scoutmaster. The telephone number is (201) 527-4665.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

JOHN H. STAMLER
Prosecutor of Union County

by:

PAULA LERMAN
County Investigator

December 22, 1980

PL: dbb

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October 6, 1980

Paul Ernst
Boy Scouts of America
P.O. Box 61030
Dallas Fort Worth Airport, Texas 75261

Dear Mr. Ernst:

This letter is in reference to our conversation of 10/6/80 regarding Brian Hughes, a former Scoutmaster in Elizabeth, New Jersey.

As I indicated, the Union County Prosecutor's Office has a seven count indictment against Brian Hughes for sexual assault. Mr. Hughes was a teacher and Scoutmaster at St. Michael's School, Elizabeth, New Jersey, where it was learned he had sexually assaulted several boyscouts between the ages of 12 and 13. Mr. Hughes left New Jersey at the end of the school year which was June of 1980 and his whereabouts at this time are unknown.

Due to the fact that Brian Hughes is unaware of the indictments against him, there is a possibility that he may try to register as a scoutmaster in a state other than New Jersey. I ask your cooperation in this matter by notifying this Office immediately if Brian Hughes attempts to register as a scoutmaster in the future.

For your information, Brian Hughes is a white male, D.O.B.: 12/25/35, P.O.B.: New York City, Height: 5'9", Weight: 230 lbs., Hair - brown and balding, Eyes - green.

If Brian Hughes attempts to register as a scoutmaster or you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Investigator Paula Lerman, Union County Prosecutor's Office, Elizabeth, New Jersey, Telephone # (201) 527-4665.

Thank you in advance for your assistance, I remain

Very truly yours,

John H. Stamler
Prosecutor of Union County

by: Paula Lerman
County Investigator

PL: saf
October 8, 1980

Mr. Alfred D. Morin, Jr.
Scout Executive
Watchung Area Council #358

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Brian Hughes, Troop 25, SM

Dear AL:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We are reviewing this case with our Attorney and will keep you informed.

Sincerely,

Paul L. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription and Statistical Service.
October 2, 1980

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Paul Ernst
Director of Registration Service
Boy Scouts of America
P.O. Box #61030
Dallas/Fort Worth Airport, Texas 75261

Dear Paul:

Enclosed please find a Confidential Record Sheet, copy of a Newark Star Ledger news article, and a letter from the York Adams Area Council, regarding Brian Hughes.

Mr. Hughes cannot at this time be located. He is no longer a Scoutmaster. It is my opinion that he is unfit to be a Scout Leader in the Boy Scouts of America.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Alfred D. Morin, Jr.
Scout Executive

Enclosure

F. STARON

CC: 6 1980
August 6, 1980

Mr. Brian Hughes
240 W. Grand St.
Apt. H-2
Elizabeth, NJ

Dear Mr. Hughes:

On July 7, 1980, I wrote to you at your Flushing, NY address concerning an N.S.F. check we received from you this past May. The total amount involved is $55.85 (your checks $109 and $110).

We are most anxious to clear your account, but have been unable to do so without your replacement check. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact me. We look forward to receipt of payment and thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

P. Susan Smalley
Office Manager - Bookkeeper

cc: Robert I. Fox
Union Council, BSA

Member of The United Way of York County and Adams County

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