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CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE

Appendix A

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE October 12, 1984

FULL NAME George Whitfield Wentz
(No initials if you can possibly give full name)

ADDRESS 2925 Ridgefield Drive

CITY Norfolk STATE VA ZIP CODE 23518

DATE OF BIRTH 6-7-28 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 56 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION Baptist NATIONALITY _____

OCCUPATION Baker (baking supervisor)

EDUCATION High School

WEIGHT 220 HEIGHT 5' 10" RACE White

COLOR OF HAIR brown COLOR OF EYES gray

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS Mason (expelled)

MARRIED OR SINGLE married CHILDREN 3 natural, 2 adopted

WIFE'S NAME Nancy

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	OFFICE	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
0333	Norfolk	VA	SM, MC, IR	1965	1972
SPECIAL RECOGNITION			woodbadge		

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION AND ATTACH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE OR SPECULATION): On June 20, 1984, pled guilty to two counts of aggravated sexual battery (VA Code #18.2-67.3) and one count of sodomy (VA Code #18.2-361).

NOTED

Signed [Signature]
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

F. STARON
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JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Council Tidewater #596

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November 27, 1984

Paul Ernest, Director
Registration, Subscription and Statistical Service
National Office, BSA
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
Irving, Texas 75062-1296

Dear Paul:

Attached is the sentencing action regarding George Whitfield Wantz which I sent your office on October 15, 1984.

Sincerely,

Jack Terwilliger
Jack Terwilliger
Council Executive

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VA- Pilot 11/27/84

Man guilty of molesting foster children

By JIM MORRISON
Staff Writer

NORFOLK — A former foster father who housed children for 17 years was ordered Monday to serve seven years in prison for molesting three girls who lived in his home.

George W. Wentz, 56, had pleaded guilty June 20 to two counts of aggravated sexual battery and one count of sodomy before Circuit Court Judge Joseph E. Baker. He faced a maximum of 45 years in prison.

"I did it; I've got to take responsibility," Wentz testified Monday before Baker pronounced sentence.

"The girls have been harmed for life. I want to pay society for what I have done."

Wentz said he was repulsed by his actions and was ready to be punished for them. All three of the girls — ages 11, 12 and 14 at the time of the assaults — have emotional problems and one of them is mentally retarded, according to court papers.

Wentz, who lost his job at a bakery after he was arrested in February,

said he could not give a reason for the assaults. "As much as I have loved children, as many children as I have raised, I couldn't understand why I did something like that."

A social services worker testified that she did not know how many children had lived with the Wentz family over the 17 years he housed youngsters. Wentz said before space requirements were enacted, he once had 23 children in his four-bedroom home in the 2900 block of Ridgfield Drive. Foster parents are paid a stipend for each child based on the child's age.

Two of the girls were molested in December 1983, while the other was assaulted in October 1982. One of the girls told a psychiatrist last December and he reported it to the Social Services Division of the Norfolk Human Resources Department. All the children were removed from the Wentz home after his arrest.

Baker sentenced Wentz to five years on each charge for a total of 15 years, but he suspended 10 years. He

also ordered Wentz to serve consecutive 12-month jail sentences as a condition of the suspended time and placed him on supervised probation for two years after he is released from jail. Wentz, who has no prior criminal record, could be eligible for parole in one year and four months.

Defense lawyer Howard E. Copeland had said he had "never seen a more guilt-ridden client" than Wentz.

"I'm not impressed that he is and that's because I don't believe he's being completely truthful," Baker responded. While Wentz claimed the girls had enticed him by lifting their dresses and flirting, the girls told police that Wentz was the aggressor.

Lenita Ellis, an assistant commonwealth's attorney, asked for a "substantial penitentiary sentence" and suggested a 25-year term. "Three young girls' lives have been inalterably changed," she said. "We can't take that away from them and Mr. Wentz says he is ready to pay the price and he should pay."

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April 30, 1985

Mr. J. B. Terwilliger
Scout Executive
Tidewater Council, No. 596

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: George W. Wentz

Dear Jack:

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 Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: Southeast Region

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ERIN O'RILEY

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November 5, 1984

Mr. J. B. Terwilliger
Scout Executive
Tidewater Council, No. 596

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Dear Jack:

Thank you for the information which you sent on George Whitfield Wentz. This information will be most helpful to us in refusing registration should Mr. Wentz try to register at a later date.

We would like you to keep us informed and send us the sentencing which takes place when this is released to the public. This will help to strengthen our file for refusal of registration.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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October 15, 1984

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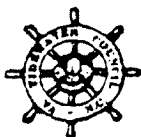
Dear Paul:

The attached is for a Mr. George W. Wentz. Apparently, this did not hit the newspaper. We found out when a probation officer called for information regarding the preparing of a pre-sentencing report which is to be held October 22, 1984. He has been convicted of sexually molesting his foster children (girls).

If additional information comes out, I will send it along.

Sincerely,

Jack Terwilliger
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Council Executive



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