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Stearns, John
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CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
 REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE
 BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE 9/30/75

FULL NAME John J. Michael Stearns
 (No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS 2351 Waukon Drive

CITY St. Louis STATE Mo. ZIP CODE 63114

DATE OF BIRTH 6-21-49 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 26 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION _____ NATIONALITY American

OCCUPATION District Executive

EDUCATION U. OF MO - ST. LOUIS 67-71 BA Degree

WEIGHT 154 Lbs. COLOR white HEIGHT 5'10"

COLOR OF HAIR Brown COLOR OF EYES Hazel or Brown

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS _____

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

WIFE'S NAME _____

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	OFFICE	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
2251			EA		

SPECIAL RECOGNITION _____ Social Sec. # [REDACTED]

RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

- CONVICTION OF CRIMINAL CONDUCT
- SUBSTANTIATED REPORTS
- OFFICIAL CHARGES OF CRIMINAL CONDUCT (REVIEW)
- UNSUBSTANTIATED REPORTS

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND INDIVIDUAL FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE AND LIST SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

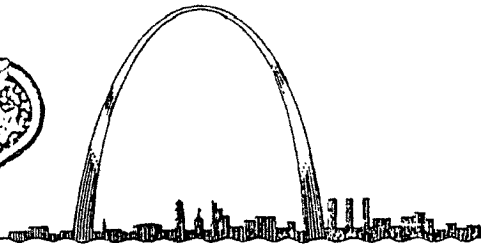
I PERSONALLY VIEWED SELF PHOTOS OF J. MICHAEL STEARNS ENGAGED IN HOMOSEXUAL ACTIVITY WITH YOUNG BOYS - NO QUESTION OF STEARNS' ACTIVITY. IDENTITY - [REDACTED] NOTED

Signed Joseph L. Anglim OCT 22 1975
 SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council St. Louis Area Council BSA

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St. Louis Area Council
4568 West Pine Boulevard
St. Louis, Missouri 63108

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September 26, 1975

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National Council, B.S.A.
North Brunswick, New Jersey 08902

Attn: Personnel Department

Please place J. Michael Stearns, 26 years of age, weight approximately 154 lbs., height about 5' 10", white, last known residence was at 2351 Waukon Dr., St. Louis, Mo., 63114 on your confidential list. Mr. J. Michael Stearns was arrested on Thursday, September 18, 1975, on four counts of child molestation or sexually abusing four boys between the ages of 11 and 15 years. While he has not come before trial, I have personally reviewed the evidence which supports this charge. The acts of sexual abuse and homosexuality are substantiated by photographs which I have seen and have personally identified J. Michael Stearns in those photographs.

I have enclosed a copy of the news release for your files. Should further information be necessary I will certainly try to supply it.

Mr. Stearns in addition to being registered as a District Executive in the St. Louis Area Council, Boy Scouts of America was an Explorer Advisor in Post 2251. His social security number is [REDACTED]

Very sincerely yours,

Russell J. Hart
Scout Executive

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26-year-old man charged with child molestation

A 26-year-old west St. Louis county man has been charged with four counts of child molestation for allegedly sexually abusing four boys between the ages of 11 and 15. John M. Stearns, who told police he is a district manager for the Boy Scouts of America, was charged in warrants issued Thursday by St. Louis County Magistrate Samuel J. Hais. Bond was set at \$50,000. Stearns was arrested at his home in the 2300 block of Waukon dr., West St. Louis County, by County Police Dets. Lemuel Hester and George Ice. Police said several photographs of Stearns and the youths were found during a search of the home. The investigation began after the mother of one of the youths contacted police, authorities said. The incidents occurred between April and August at a former residence of Stearns and have no connection with his scouting activities, police said.

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SEPARATION NOTICE

URGENT! Please mail two copies to regional office immediately after decision/agreement is reached.

Date September 19, 1975

Region North Central Council No. 312 Headquarter's city St. Louis, Missouri

WE HAVE RECEIVED THE RESIGNATION OF

Name J. Michael Stearns Title District Executive District No. 22

Current home address 2351 Waukon Drive St. Louis, Missouri 63114

Date off payroll Sept. 19, 1975 Current salary \$10,200.00 Position classification 2

Reason for separation:

- 1. Promotion or transfer
- 2. Returned to school
- 3. Died or retired
- 4. Military service
- 5. Health (explain)
- 6. Another job
- 7. Work unsatisfactory
- 8. Arrested on alleged charge of child molestation

NOTED

He should be placed in transition. until trial is held and outcome is known

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He should have consideration for reemployment at a future date.

V.L.

If reason for separation was No. 5, 6, 7, or 8, please answer the following questions.

Was he doing a satisfactory job? Explain Yes

Was he lacking in ability? Explain _____

Was he lacking in motivation? Explain _____

Was he getting adequate guidance and supervision? Explain _____

What in your opinion was the basic reason he left Scouting? _____

DO NOT REMOVE

Regional Comments: _____

Signature _____ Title _____ Date _____

This resignation creates a vacancy

The position held by this man has been dropped

We would prefer: a new man an experienced man.

Is this a matching funds position? Yes No

Salary range council is prepared to pay \$ _____ to \$ _____

Signature [Signature] Director of Field Service

Date September 19, 1975

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St. Louis Area Council

Boy Scouts of America

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

MEMO TO: Executive Board Members

FROM: Russ Hart

DATE: September 19, 1975

You may have read in the Friday, September 19th issue of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat that John M. Stearns had been arrested and charged with child molestation. Reference in the news article was made to his Boy Scout affiliations. This memo is to inform the Board that our knowledge is limited to that which was publicly printed. As of Friday, September 19, 1975 Mr. Stearns was placed in transition. His permanent status will be determined after his prosecution and a decision rendered regarding his guilt or innocence. While in transition Mr. Stearns will have no relationship with the Boy Scouts of America. He will not have any assigned responsibilities nor receive any remuneration.

Mr. Stearns has been associated with our Executive Staff since September, 1972. He came to us well recommended, following the completion of his military commitment.

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October 24, 1975

Mr. Russel J. Hart
Scout Executive
St. Louis Area Co., No. 312

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Re: J. Michael Stearns

Dear Russ:

Thank you for the confidential record sheet and signed statement concerning J. Michael Stearns. We have added this information to our file. This will be most helpful for identification purposes in the future, should he again try to register in the Scouting program.

Sincerely,

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Paul I. Ernst, Manager
Registration & Subscription Service

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INTRAORGANIZATION COMMUNICATION

October 3, 1975

Mr. Russell J. Hart
Scout Executive
St Louis Area Council, No. 312

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Re: J. Michael Stearns

Dear Russ:

We are in receipt of your letter and copy of the newspaper clipping concerning J. Michael Stearns. We have placed this information in our file.

We do, however, need more substantiating information that will support our placing this man on the confidential file. Please send us copies of the police or court records, and if possible signed statements from the individuals that were involved. This information is important for future reference purposes and would certainly strengthen our position of refusing to accept any future application we might receive from this individual.

MAIL TO

Enclosed is a confidential record sheet which we would appreciate your filling in the missing information. Unless we receive the above requested material, it will be difficult to keep this man's name on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Manager
Registration & Subscription Service

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[Handwritten notes and signatures]

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