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CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET  
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL  
B.S.A.

DATE October 7, 1964

Full Name JIMMIE J. BISCHOFF  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address 1913 N. Sheffield

City Chicago 14 State Illinois

Age 25 (12/9/38) (This is important and should be exact)

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

Religion Congregational Nationality American

Occupation Former Profession Scouter, O.S.E.

Education Graduated Michigan State Univ. 1960, BA Degree Liberal Arts

Weight 151 lbs. Color White Height 5'6 1/2"

Color of hair Brown Color of eyes Hazel

Outstanding characteristics or interests \_\_\_\_\_

Married or single Single in '63 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 Reg'd.</u>	<u>Date resigned</u>
Chief Okemos #071	Lansing, Michigan		B.S.E.	Aug. 15, 1963	Aug. 31, 1964

Confidential file for following reasons:

On 12/27, 1964 Jimmie Bischoff was arrested in the mens rest rooms at the University and charged with gross indecency. He signed a confession to this on previous occasions and that he started his homosexual life in the Navy.



Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Scout Executive

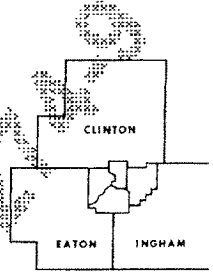
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Chief Okemos Council No. 271 Boy Scouts of America

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March 1, 1965

Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration  
Boy Scouts of America  
National Council  
New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903

Dear Howard:

This is a final report on Jimmie Bischoff, formerly a member of our staff.

On January 25 and 26 Jimmie's trial was held in Circuit Court in the County seat of Ingham County which is Mason.

I was in attendance at most of the trial and appeared as a witness to establish the fact that at the time we hired Jimmie Bischoff he was thoroughly checked out and that there was no indication of homosexual tendencies.

I appeared as a witness on the advice of our lawyers to establish the fact that we are very careful in our recruiting methods and to clear the name of the Boy Scouts of America.

The trial was a jury trial and the Judge was Luis E. Cash. The jury returned a verdict of guilty.

On February 17 the Judge sentenced Jimmie Bischoff to three years probation and five hundred dollars fine and costs.

The entire case was handled with a very minimum of publicity. In so far as I have been able to determine there have been no instances of homosexual acts involving Scouts or Scout Leaders.

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March 4, 1965

Mr. William E. Thacker  
Scout Executive  
Chief Okemos Council, No. 271

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Jimmie Bischoff

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for your supplementary and final report on Jimmie Bischoff. It is most adequate and we are appreciative of this concluding information.

It really is too bad that a person who apparently has the ability that he has couldn't handle himself properly. Hope that psychiatric treatments will result in a marked improvement in his behavior patterns.

Sincerely yours,  
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration

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Jimmie Bischoff is now employed as a salesman for Ollivetti-Underwood Agency in Chicago. He has been very successful and has received one or two promotions and is one of their better salesmen. As of the day of the trial he had made twelve visits to a psychiatrist and will continue this treatment for an indefinite period.

He received terminal pay for one months salary from our Council and has been dismissed from our employ since his arrest last July. The lawyer for Jimmie Bischoff is Mr. Fred Abood here in Lansing. So far as I can determine this closes the case on Jimmie Bischoff.

Sincerely yours,

*Bill*

W. E. Thacker  
Scout Executive

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January 18, 1965

Mr. William E. Thacker  
Scout Executive  
Chief Okemos Area Council, No. 271

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Jimmie Bischoff

Dear Bill:

In your letter to us of November 16, 1964 you indicated that you would keep us informed of any future developments in the trial of Jimmie Bischoff.

We are wondering whether this case has come before the courts as yet? If so, we would appreciate hearing from you so that we may complete our records regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours,  
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration

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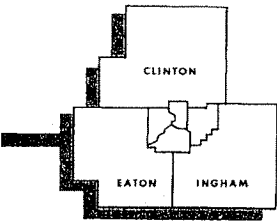
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60 days

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CHIEF OKEMOS COUNCIL NO. 271

601 N. CAPITOL AVENUE, LANSING, MICHIGAN 48914

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November 16, 1964

Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration  
National Council  
Boy Scouts of America  
New Brunswick, New Jersey

Dear Howard:

I have very little to report on the case of Jimmie Bischoff, as requested in your letter of October 8. There was an informal hearing held on November 12. However there was no newspaper publicity or other publicity that I am aware of.

To date there have been no newspaper articles at all either about his arrest, hearings or coming trial. As yet no date for the trial has been set but, when the trial does come up, I will try to get you a report and send it to you for your records.

Sincerely yours,

*Bill*

W. E. Thacker  
Scout Executive

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Bring up  
Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>

October 8, 1964

Mr. William E. Thacker  
Scout Executive  
Chief Okemos Area Council, No. 271

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Jimmie Bischoff

Dear Bill:

In response to your recent letter to Mr. Wilson concerning Jimmie Bischoff, we appreciate knowing more of the circumstances of his dismissal. This information has been placed with us in a file especially prepared for him.

It would be helpful if we could have some additional information. Were there any newspaper clippings about his arrest? If so, if you have some of these, we should have them in our file.

Additionally, when Mr. Bischoff's trial does come up, if you would then please send us a report of the conclusions of the trial and enclose with it, records or statements from either the police or transcript of the court records, plus any newspaper articles, this is all material that we ought to have to substantiate the situation. We will appreciate your sending them to us when they become available.

Sincerely yours,  
PERSONNEL DIVISION

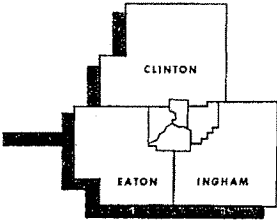
Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration

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October 2, 1964

Delmer H. Wilson, Director  
 Division of Personnel  
 Boy Scouts of America  
 National Council  
 New Brunswick, New Jersey

Subject: Dismissal of Jimmie Bischoff  
 District Executive

Dear Skipper:

On July 27, 1964, Jimmie Bischoff who at that time was employed as a District Executive by the Chief Okemos Council, Boy Scouts of America was arrested in one of the mens rest rooms in the Union Building of Michigan State University by a detective employed by the Michigan State University. He was charged with gross indecency. Jimmie Bischoff not knowing that this man was a detective approached him to engage in a homosexual act. At this point he was arrested and signed a confession indicating that he had done this on previous occasions and that he started his homosexual activities while he was in the Navy. He spent the night in jail and was released the following day on a \$1,000 bond. This was not brought to my attention until the following Friday, July 31. On Monday, August 3, I met with Jimmie Bischoff to discuss the situation but he refused to tell me any thing and referred me to his lawyer. His lawyer in turn told me very little.

On Tuesday August 4, I conferred with Jimmie Bischoff and informed him that he was no longer employed by the Boy Scouts of America.

Since that time he has left the city and is now living at 1913 N. Sheffield Chicago 14, Illinois. I have not seen him since then or have I had any correspondence with him.

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In the meantime we have employed Robert Arnold who was recruited in the Harrison Trails Council at Lafayette, Indiana. He is now at Schiff Scout Reservation and will take over the districts formally served by Jimmie Bischoff.

It is my understanding that Jimmie Bischoff will come to trial before the Circuit Court here in the next few weeks. At present this is all the information I have.

On the basis of these findings I am sure you will have him put on the confidential list. If you need any further information on this case I will be glad to furnish what I can.

Sincerely yours,

W. E. Thacker  
Scout Executive

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CC: J. Herbert Saum

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