

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

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name EDWARD A RODRIGUEZ  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address 463 SCHENCK AVENUE

City BROOKLYN State NEW YORK 11207

Age 24 (This is important and should be exact)

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

Religion PROTESTANT Nationality Porto Rican

Occupation medical Lab. Technician

Education High School

Weight 160 Color \_\_\_\_\_ Height 5'9"

Color of hair black Color of eyes black

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

Married or single single 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>
<u>(364) TROOP 739</u>	<u>NEW YORK</u>	<u>NEW YORK</u>	<u>SCOUTMASTER</u>	<u>FEB, 1964</u>	
<u>(369) Troop 86</u>				<u>Re on Application - 1965-1966 - charter (? before)</u>	
				<u>Special recognition N - on Pack - 56 - (369) - 1966 charter -</u>	

Recommended for Confidential File for following reasons:

(See attached)

Signed Joseph R. Klein  
Scout Executive

GC-294-31

June 1, 1965

Mr. Harvey W. Smith, Jr.  
Scout Executive  
Brooklyn Council, No. 369

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Edward A. Rodriguez

Dear Mr. Smith:

We recently had an inquiry from your registrar asking for the number of the unit for which we had made a refund of \$1.00 on May 6, 1965, check No. 81,042.

As you know, we wrote you on April 29, 1965 informing you that we were refunding the registration fee for Edward Rodriguez who was applying to serve as Asst. Cubmaster, Pack 86. Please inform your registrar as to the unit number for which we made the refund.

Sincerely yours,  
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration

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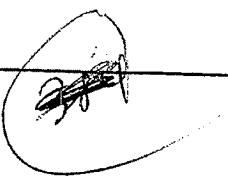
TO . . . Registration Service

FROM . . Mrs. B. Goldstein

DATE . . . 5/27/65



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On May 6 you issued a check for \$1.00 to Brooklyn Council marked "Registration Refund" Check No 81,042. Will you please let me know what unit this is for?

*Edmund A. Rodriguez*

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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5/20/65

Harvey Smith called yesterday concerning the registration of Edward Rodriguez. In the conversation he mentioned that Rodriguez was registered on Troop 86 which was verified from the roster of the unit. Harvey was to advise the institution on the removal of Mr. Rodriguez. This he did according to a call from Father Boyd of St Agnes Church today as he requested more information as to the reason which was not given to him. He apparently is going to check with the BSA institution of the troop in Manhattan where Rodriguez was at the time he was placed on the file.

J. W. Ustals.

April 29, 1965

Mr. Harvey W. Smith, Jr.  
Scout Executive  
Brooklyn Council, No. 369

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Edward Rodriguez, applying  
to serve as ACM, Pack 86

Dear Mr. Smith:

On your recent Transmittal Report No. 97, you included the Scouter application for Edward Rodriguez, 463 Schenck Ave., Brooklyn, New York to serve as Assistant Cubmaster, Pack 86, District 4. We regret to inform you that we cannot accept Mr. Rodriguez's application. Mr. Rodriguez was placed with us on the confidential file by your Council on August 4, 1964.

We are herewith refunding Mr. Rodriguez's registration fee of \$1.00. Kindly delete his name from your records.

Sincerely yours,  
PERSONNEL DIVISION

John D. Webster  
Assistant Director  
Registration Service

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Encl. \$1.00

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August 4, 1964

Mr. Joseph R. Klein  
Boro Scout Executive  
Manhattan Council, No. 384

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
RE: Edward A. Rodriguez  
Scoutmaster, Troop 739

Dear Joe:

Thank you very much for the confidential record sheet and other information concerning Edward A. Rodriguez, Scoutmaster, Troop 739. We have placed this information in our file and have deleted his name from the Troop roster.

This information will enable us to identify Mr. Rodriguez, should he ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program.

Sincerely yours,  
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration

HB:rs

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NO RETURN



# GREATER NEW YORK COUNCILS BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

25 W. 43RD STREET, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10036

REPLY TO:  
MANHATTAN COUNCIL  
25 WEST 43rd ST.  
NEW YORK N. Y. 10036  
Wisconsin 7-8400  
COUNCIL NO. 384

July 24, 1964

Mr. Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration  
National Council, BSA  
New Brunswick, N.J. 08903

Dear Howard:

Rev. [redacted] of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 20 Cumming St., New York 34, has requested that we place Mr. Rodriguez on the confidential file.

Through personal admission, Mr. Rodriguez has had immoral relations with at least three boys in Troop 739. The Scouts involved are:

[redacted]	NY 34	age 14
[redacted]	NY 34	14
[redacted], NY 34		11

These incidents occurred more than once, and in the case of the [redacted] boy, over a long period of time. There does not seem to be any doubt as to the validity of these charges.

If more detailed information is needed, the Rev. Mr. [redacted] may be contacted at Code [redacted]

Cordially,

*Joseph R. Klein*  
Joseph R. Klein *mw f*  
Borough Scout Executive

JRK:wr

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July 28, 1964

Dear Mr. Wallace,

This letter is to inform you that the committee of Troop 739 Manhattan has asked for and received the resignation of its Scoutmaster, Edward A. Rodriguez. It was requested as a safeguard for the boys in our troop, on the grounds of moral turpitude. The events leading up to our request and the following events are detailed in the subsequent paragraph. The explanation may be sketchy in spots as some actions were taken without my knowledge and learned of them second hand.

It is difficult to ascertain as to where to begin but the logical point is to start when our Troop went to summer camp at TMR (July 6, 1964). The boys were to leave on July 6th but our Scoutmaster was to proceed to camp one day earlier (July 5th) with three boys in order to prepare the site and make other arrangements. On July 4th Ed Rodriguez was to meet Mr. [REDACTED], a committee member and father of one of our Scouts, who was to drive them up there at 1:30 P.M. in order to load some equipment into his car for the stay at camp. Ed Rodriguez did not show up. But at 3:00 P.M. another of our parents, Mr. [REDACTED], dropped his son at Alpine. This was done due to the fact that Mr. [REDACTED] was

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spending the summer at Spring Valley and his son would then be able to spend the night with Ed Rodriguez at Alpine and meet Mr. [REDACTED] for the trip early Sunday Morning. These Alpine arrangements were made without anyone knowing of it other than the [REDACTED] and Ed Rodriguez. At 4:30 P.M. the same day, July 4th, Ed Rodriguez appeared at Mr. [REDACTED] house and they then proceeded to load the equipment. Mr. [REDACTED] had previously asked Ed Rodriguez to sleep overnight at his house Saturday night to facilitate their early departure. Ed Rodriguez had previously claimed that he had to work Saturday night and again repeated this on Saturday to Mr. [REDACTED]. The boys departed Sunday without any concurrence. The remainder of the troop arrived at camp on Monday. However, the early part of the following week Mr. [REDACTED] visited Mr. [REDACTED] and asked who had slept in his house over the weekend as the house was in a state of disorder. Mr. [REDACTED] did not have any answer for this inquiry. The situation rested until the return of the troop on July 19th. On July 19th Mr. [REDACTED] proceeded to question his son, [REDACTED], as to who had slept in his house and the story evolved that [REDACTED] and Ed Rodriguez had stayed overnight. [REDACTED] also indicated that at this time Ed Rodriguez had engaged in sexual acts with him and had also done so previously on an overnight hike to a Boy Scout camp. He also indicated that two other scouts, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], were also engaged in similar activities with Ed Rodriguez. Mr. [REDACTED] then informed Mr. [REDACTED] of the information he had gotten from his son and Mr.

██████ began to question his son. His son, ██████, admitted to the episodes also. Both parents agreed then that Mr. ██████ would call Ed Rodriguez and ask for his resignation. For some reason Mr. ██████ called and asked for the resignation, Ed Rodriguez was amazed at this request and wished to know why. He was informed that Mr. ██████ had requested it and if he contacted Mr. ██████ he would be informed as to the reason. All these events between Mr. ██████ and Mr. ██████ occurred on Sunday July 19th, the day the boys returned from TMR. That evening Ed Rodriguez called Mr. ██████ in Spring Valley and was told of the information received from the two boys. He denied the happenings but on further conversation with Mr. ██████ he neither denied nor confirmed them. On Monday Mrs. ██████ called the Boy Scout Council in the Spring Valley area and asked for advice. The advice that she received of what transpired at that time unfortunately is not within my knowledge as I have not spoken to the ██████ at any time. All my information has been received from Mr. ██████. I was informed though that there were several phone calls made to Mrs. ██████ by Ed Rodriguez wherein he admitted his involvement. I first became aware of this situation on Monday evening (July 20th) when I spoke to Mr. ██████. He also indicated that Ed Rodriguez had just called him and asked to see him personally on Wednesday, July 22nd. Mr. ██████ and myself decided to keep the situation known in as small an area as possible and as such invited the following people besides ourselves to the meeting with Ed Rodriguez.

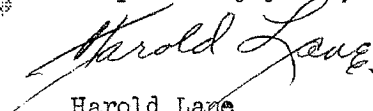
- 1) Mr. Warren Towns - Institutional Rep.
- 2) Mr. [REDACTED] - who did not attend
- 3) Mr. Benjamin Munk - Committee Treasurer
- 4) Mr. [REDACTED] - whose son may have been involved

Mr. [REDACTED] also stated that his son was examined by a doctor and no evidence of disease was found at this time. We questioned Ed Rodriguez and he readily admitted his guilt. He also stated that the episodes were confined only to two scouts, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], and that they occurred only 3-4 times with each. He didn't give any reason why he had chosen these boys in particular but as a matter of fact these boys are small in stature. The third boy had been questioned previously by his father and there weren't any indications that anything occurred. Ed Rodriguez also indicated no involvement with [REDACTED]. Ed Rodriguez also indicated that this is the first time that this had happened but those present were of the opinion that his activities definitely were repeated previously with others. All through the questioning he indicated remorse for what he had done and seemed quite penitent. We advised him of the possible legal consequences of his acts and he appeared well aware of them. However, Mr. [REDACTED] does not wish to prosecute and Ed Rodriguez was informed of this with the proviso that he must seek psychiatric help and inform us of his efforts and progress. He was quite appreciative of our leniency and our efforts to help him help himself and as such our meeting came to an end. Before ending, though he was requested not to divulge any information connected with the affair, nor was he to frequent our area. He

also was directed to send all records, merit badge applications to me. At this moment we feel that any connection we have had with Ed Rodriguez has been severed. The only future contacts with him will be to ascertain if he is following through on his promise to seek aid. We feel that we have been quite lucky in that this situation did not spread further and involve more of our troop members and we now must minimize the damage that has been done to the two scouts involved. One of our principal goals is to make the two boys aware of the fact that this matter has been treated confidentially and will not be revealed to anyone else. We have even gone so far as to concoct a reason why Ed Rodriguez has left the troop.

To my knowledge these are the events leading up to the resignation of our Scoutmaster. I hope I have clearly stated the facts and you concur in our course of action. If any other information is required feel free to contact me at my home or office. I hope that our experience will be of some benefit by insuring that Ed Rodriguez will not be allowed to hold any position anywhere in the Boy Scouts of America. In this way we can ease our consciences with respect to any other boy engaged in scouting coming into contact with him.

Respectfully yours,



Harold Lane  
Chairman, Troop 739 Manhattan

P.S.

Enclosed please find a copy of the resignation plus his resignation card.

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TROOP #739  
 BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA  
 BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN  
 NEW YORK, NEW YORK

July 19, 1964

TO TROOP 739

I hereby tender my resignation to take effect immediately for personal reasons known to the Committeemen.

Ed Rodriguez

*Edward Rodriguez*

**BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**  
INCORPORATED FEBRUARY 6, 1910      CHARTERED BY CONGRESS, JUNE 16, 1916

EDWARD A RODRIGUEZ  
 HAS DULY QUALIFIED AND IS REGISTERED WITH  
 THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

SCOUTMASTER  
 TROOP 739  
 MANHATTAN N Y  
 TO THE LAST DAY OF  
 FEBRUARY 1965

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONSTITUTION AND  
 BYLAWS OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, IN  
 WITNESS WHEREOF ITS SEAL IS HEREBY AFFIXED

*Oliver W. Austin*  
 PRESIDENT

*Joseph P. Austin*  
 CHIEF SCOUT EXECUTIVE



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