

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE 8-21-86

FULL NAME William Lee Symons SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS [REDACTED]

CITY New Tripoli STATE PA ZIP CODE 18066

DATE OF BIRTH 5-19-55 (This is important and should be exact)

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

RELIGION \_\_\_\_\_ NATIONALITY \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION Cotter & Company, Snowdrift Rd., Allentown, Pa.

EDUCATION \_\_\_\_\_

WEIGHT 180 HEIGHT 5' 10" RACE White

COLOR OF HAIR Graying Black COLOR OF EYES Blue

OUTSTANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS \_\_\_\_\_

MARRIED OR SINGLE Single CHILDREN ---

(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

NAME OF SPOUSE ---

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

<u>UNIT #</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>DATE REGISTERED</u>	<u>DATE RESIGNED</u>
0089	New Tripoli	PA	Scout	11/66	12/1/85
			SA	5/73	
			SM	1/80	

SUSPENDED OR DENIED REGISTRATION FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

See Enclosed Article

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):

*in...*  
AUG 3 1'87  
JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Signed *Charles Y. Chase*  
SCOUT EXECUTIVE *JJS*

Council Minsi Trails Council, BSA

September 2, 1987

Mr. Clement A. Barys  
Scout Executive  
Minsi Trails Council, No. 502

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: William Lee Symons

Dear Clem:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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cc: Northeast Region

READY TO FILE

SEP 03 1987

ERIN O'RILEY.

CONF024111

September 3, 1986

Mr. Clement A. Banys  
Scout Executive  
Minsi Trails Council, No. 502

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: William Lee Symons

Dear Clem:

Thank you for the Confidential Record Sheet, which you recently sent us, concerning the above-named individual. This will be most helpful to us in identifying this individual should he try to register at some later time.

We appreciated the newspaper article which indicates that this gentleman had pleaded guilty to charges that he had sexual contact with three scouts. We would like, however, to have the outcome of this guilty plea. Has he been sentenced at the present time?

Please send us a notice of the sentencing which took place so that we may complete our file. We appreciate your help in the past in gathering information. This will help to protect the youth of America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration, Subscription &  
Statistical Service

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cc: Northeast Region

READY FOR FILE

SEP 3 1986

CONFIDENTIAL

CONF024112

# Former scoutmaster admits he sexually abused 3 boys

By DEBBIE GARLICKI  
Of The Morning Call

A former Lehigh County scoutmaster yesterday pleaded guilty to charges that he had sexual contact with three boys in his Boy Scout troop.

William L. Symons, 30, of New Tripoli R.3, pleaded guilty to statutory rape involving a boy who was about 12 years old when the incident occurred and pleaded guilty to two counts of indecent assault involving two 13-year-olds.

Lehigh County Judge James N. Diefenderfer scheduled sentencing for June 16 and ordered that Dr. Paul Gross do a psychiatric evaluation of Symons.

The rape charge stemmed from incidents that occurred between January 1980 and June 1983, according to Assistant District Attorney John Waldron, who said the acts took place outside the boy's house and inside the house when the boy's parents were not home.

The indecent assault charges stemmed from incidents on Nov. 11, 1985.

As part of a negotiated plea, the sentences on the three charges are to run concurrently. Symons faces a

maximum sentence of five to 10 years in prison for his plea to statutory rape.

Symons, who resigned as a scoutmaster Dec. 1, had been scoutmaster for the Mist Trail Council Boy Scout Troop No. 89, Waldron said.

He said the incidents were reported to state police at Bethlehem after the parents of one of the 13-year-old boys noticed that their son was spending an inordinate amount of time with Symons.

The parents became suspicious and questioned the boy about his relationship with Symons, Waldron said.

Police said that Symons forced one of the boys to touch his genital area and that he touched one of the boys.

Symons remains free on \$3,000 cash bail.

He was arrested Jan. 7 by state police at Bethlehem and was arraigned before District Justice Edward E. Hartman of Slatington.

Symons is represented by Allentown attorney Marc Kranson.

The police prosecutor is Trooper Joseph A. Vazquez of the Bethlehem barracks.

July 29, 1986

Mr. Clement A. Banys  
Council Executive  
Hinsi Trails Council, No. 502

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: William L. Symons

Dear Clem:

We received from you on May 15 an article and note concerning the above-named individual. We appreciate this information, but now would like to close our file.

We would like to know the final sentencing which was supposed to have taken place on June 16th. Please send us this information so that we will have a complete file on this individual.

We are also asking that you complete the enclosed Confidential Record Sheet so that we can identify Mr. Symons wherever he might move and try to register. This will help us should both of us be in different responsibilities when a registration attempt might take place.

Let us know if we may be of help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration, Subscription &  
Statistical Service

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cc: Northeast Region

READY FOR FILE

JUL 29 1986

SHIRLEY MEYER

CONF024114

May 28, 1986

Mr. Clement A. Banys  
Council Executive  
Minsi Trails Council, No. 502

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: William L. Symons

Dear Clem:

Thank you for your letter of May 16th concerning the above named individual. This newspaper article is most helpful.

I am enclosing a Confidential Record Sheet which I would like to have completed so that we may identify Mr. Symons at a later time; I do not find that we have received that form from you.

We would also like to know the final sentencing which takes place after June 16th.

Thanks again for your help in protecting the youth of America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration, Subscription &  
Statistical Service

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Enclosure

cc: Northeast Region

READY FOR FILE

MAY 28 1986

SHIRLEY MEYER

CONF024115

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MINSI TRAILS COUNCIL  
Boy Scouts of America



CLEMENT A. BANYS  
Council Executive

*Clement A. Banys*

May 16, 1986

Dear Paul:

I believe that my office communicated with you earlier concerning Mr. William L. Symons of New Tripoli, Pa. who should be removed from the Boy Scouts of America registration rosters.

Enclosed please find the newspaper clipping, and if you need any further information please advise me.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

*Clement A. Banys*  
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Council Executive

Mr. Paul Ernst  
Membership Registration  
National Council, BSA  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
Irving, Texas 75062-1296

*We have  
nothing else  
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