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### **In Light of Imminent Bankruptcy Declaration by Boy Scouts of America**

*National Litigation Team, Abusedinscouting.com, Announces Preparation of List of over 300 Hidden Predators to Forward to Boy Scouts of America with a Demand That BSA Report the Names to Law Enforcement in The 49 States in Which the Abuse Occurred Before it Files For Bankruptcy*

A team of litigation attorneys from across the country today announced a list of hidden predators not included in the secret Ineligible Volunteer Files kept by the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) for child sex abuse. The attorneys at Abusedinscouting.com representing over 425 men from 49 states ranging in age from 14-97, who all claim they were sexually abused while members of the Boy Scouts of America. The attorneys cross referenced the named abusers only to find that the vast majority were nowhere to be found in BSA's Ineligible Volunteer/Perversion Files that were originally made public in 2012.

According to attorney Stewart Eisenberg, "Bankruptcy will deprive victims of the opportunity to publicly identify their abusers most of whom remain at large, unknown to the police or to the public, and that puts the public at risk. Therefore it is critical that everyone who was harmed by this organization to come forward now. The bankruptcy judge will establish a strict cut-off date after which victims will be forever barred from suing the BSA and these criminals may never be known by the public which is a safety concern for all."

Attorney Tim Kosnoff stated, "As BSA prepares to file for bankruptcy, we feel strongly that all men who were abused while in Scouting can finally have the opportunity to come forward and call out their abuser, many of whom have been hiding in plain sight for so many years. It is time for these men to have their voices heard and to seek restitution for the crimes done to them while participating in the Boy Scouts. A bankruptcy filing will have the chilling effect of silencing survivors who may fear that the BSA will be able to evade justice by filing bankruptcy,".

Kosnoff continued, "Now more than ever is the time for men to bravely come forward and call out their abuser as well as the organization that since 1915 has harbored hundreds of thousands of child rapists which is why we are demanding that BSA turn over the names of the individuals who have sexually molested boys for the past many decades."

The bankruptcy filing will prevent lawsuits from going forward and will sweep the matter in to the bankruptcy court system where the BSA's assets can be liquidated to pay the claims of victims.

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Abusedinscouting.com is comprised of a team of attorneys from across the country seeking justice on behalf of men of all ages who were sexually abused while participating in the Boy Scouts of America. The team contends that BSA knew of these atrocities and allowed the abuse to continue.