

Dear Parish and School Administrators:

The Office of Risk Management in conjunction with attorneys from Gallagher, Evelius and Jones are reviewing documentation related to the ongoing bankruptcy proceedings involving the Boy Scouts of America. We are evaluating whether parishes and schools within the Archdiocese of Baltimore, if chartering organizations for troops currently or in the past, should file claims with regard to this matter. It is not clear whether parishes and schools, as chartering organizations for the Boy Scouts of America, face any potential liabilities stemming from these proceedings. Further is not clear whether our parishes and schools should be filing notices of claims to protect against any possible involvement within the bankruptcy proceedings. The filing deadline for this matter is November 16, 2020.

In the event your parish or school will be advised to file a claim to protect the interest of your parish or school, **you are strongly encouraged to immediately collect all available information regarding any Boy Scout Troops your parish or school currently or previously has chartered.** Should a claim need to be filed you will have the needed information available to make the filing easier.

Additional direction will be forthcoming shortly. Please DO NOT take any action proactively to file a claim until we receive further legal guidance.

Thank you,  
Office of Risk Management