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Abortion Doctor Sues City Over Security Gate Dispute

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A doctor who owns several abortion clinics built a tall security gate because of death threats he has claimed have been made against him. The city is saying the gate must come down because it violates the zoning code.

Dr. Jacob Kalo is suing West Bloomfield Township, Michigan for over one million dollars. He says the township is targeting him for being pro-abortion because he operates clinics that perform abortions in three cities.

The township maintains that their order for his gate to come down is all about following rules. The township ordinance for gates and pillars is only a 4 foot high allowance. Kalo has two 6-foot-tall pillars with an electronic gate, motion detectors and cameras. He installed all of this without getting zoning board approval.

Dr. Kalo also has other security cameras in a tree and on a fence at his residence. He wears a bullet proof vest as well because he said protesters march near his home and he fears for his life.

Kalo wears a bulletproof vest because he has heard gunshots fired at his home on Middlebelt," Kalo's attorney Martin Weisman said. "He has valid concerns about his safety and has put up gates that are not inconsistent with others in the community."

Funny thing is though, just a couple of months ago police were assigned to do extra patrols around Dr. Kalo's house, but never saw anything unusual or threatening.

"We did very heavy, selective patrol, 24 hours per day with quite a few officers," West Bloomfield Police Lt. Carl Fuhs said. "We never found anything out of the ordinary. As for the shots being fired, I went back three years and never found any reports of that."

It sounds like this guy is just another arrogant jerk who thinks he is above the rules and is trying to bully his way into doing whatever he wants. He is also either lying

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