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Louisiana Abortionist Loses License

James Whitmore III had history of quackery

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Pro Life Infonet recently shared a [New Orleans Times Picayune report](#) on New Orleans abortionist A. James Whitmore III.

Whitmore's license was suspended indefinitely for failure to comply with the board's probationary provisions over previous shortcomings. The board had found Whitmore guilty of disregarding basic sanitation, being rude to patients, and failing to provide proper care to a woman whose uterus he had perforated during an abortion. The woman ended up needing a hysterectomy.

The allegations were based on allegations surrounding Whitmore's part-time work at Delta Women's clinic in Baton Rouge. Specifically, the board found that Whitmore used improperly sterilized equipment, reused single-use items, and let tissue float in the sterilizing solution.

Whitmore, 54, was ordered to submit to evaluation and submit the names of three doctors, one of whom the board would then choose to monitor Whitmore's practice. Whitmore failed to meet either requirement. The board said, "Dr. Whitmore shall not engage in the practice of medicine in any form in the state of Louisiana unless the board issues and serves him a written order authorizing his practice in this state."

Whitmore had previously been on probation for three years beginning in 1992, after his actions led to the death of one post-term infant and the permanent injury of a pre-term infant. These cases are described in more detail below.

Whitmore's history as an OB/GYN hardly recommended him as an employee at any kind of medical facility:

An obstetrical suit by "Tamara" alleged that Tamara arrived at the hospital in post-term labor November 13, 1988. Whitmore noted meconium in the amniotic fluid, and other indicators of grave fetal distress, at 7 PM, but did not perform a C-section to deliver the endangered infant. Instead, he left the premises. The hospital noted fetal demise in utero as early as 1:10 AM, yet Whitmore did not return to the hospital until after 2 AM. He performed the C-section at 2:30 AM, which was unnecessary at that point because infant "Justin" was already dead; he could have been delivered vaginally. After Whitmore's inaction killed her baby, and his performance of the needless c-section, Tamara suffered post-operative infection. Whitmore falsely filed a live birth certificate for Justin. The case ended in a settlement for the parents. (Sources: Louisiana Board of Medical Examiners Order No. 92-A-001; Orleans Parish Civil District Court Division C Docket No. 89-25430)

An obstetrical suit by "Justine" alleged that Justine arrived at the hospital May 23, 1983; her water had broken and she was only 5 months pregnant. Whitmore ordered labor induced and left the hospital. Infant Andrew was born in Whitmore's absence. As Justine's attorney noted, "For reason never explained to and unknown to plaintiff, the [Whitmore] refused to render emergency medical treatment to the minor child even though defendants were aware of the child's condition and need for emergency treatment." Andrew suffered permanent brain damage. The case ended in a settlement for Andrew's parents. (Sources: Louisiana Board of Medical Examiners Order No. 92-A-001; Orleans Parish Civil District Court Division C Docket No. 84-4924)

A gynecological suit by "Annalee" alleged that Whitmore performed an unauthorized appendectomy and hysterectomy on her when he was supposed to do a differential D&C, laser laparotomy, and tubal ligation September 18, 1991. (Source: Orleans Parish Civil District Court Division C Docket No. 94-16391)

A suit by "Cherise" alleged that Whitmore failed to administer Rho-GAM, and performed surgery negligently when attending her for probable ectopic pregnancy March 29, 1989. (Source: Orleans Parish Civil District Court Division C Docket No. 90-6291)

A gynecological suit by "Doreen" alleged injury in negligently performed hysterectomy by Whitmore September 14, 1988. (Source: Orleans Parish Civil District Court Division C Docket No. 91-455)

A gynecological suit by "Bernice" alleged that Whitmore severely injured her bladder, rendering her unable to urinate without a catheter, during negligently performed abdominal surgery January 29, 1988. (Source: Orleans Parish Civil District Court Division C Docket No. 91-12401)

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