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Abortionists and sexual assault

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Meet Finkel - Abortionist and sexual predator

On May 26,2004 abortionist Brian L. Finkel surrendered his medical license to the Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners (Case # 3287 + 2989), after he was convicted of sexually assaulted several patients.

The arrest and court proceedings were covered by several news outlets, the Arizona Republic (several articles), the Phoenix News Times 8/28/2003, the East Valley Tribune 11/26/2004 and several others.

Here are some exerts from taped interviews with law enforcement from some of Finkel's abortion staff who were eye witnesses to some of these crimes (as printed in the Life Dynamics Newsletter entitled: *Thirteen of Finkel's victims were patients of Finkel*):

Question, "Would Finkel wake patients by placing his hands on their breasts?"

Answer, "Yes sir, it's true, that's true. I've seen that...we've even told his wife."

Question, "Have you seen the ______flicking?"

Answer, "I can't lie, yes I have." Another employee told investigators, "I've saw him do the ______flick all the time. At the office we had a name for it."

A third employee said, "If she was attractive, he'd find a way to be alone with the patient."

Finkel consistently denied these charges and said he was never alone with any of his patients.

Another employee said this, "He's like a monster...he told K.C.(employee) he'd pay to get her teeth done if she'd give him a **** (slang for oral sex)."



Abortionist Brian Finkel

The jury found that Finkel had either **fondled the breasts** or **rubbed the genitals** of the thirteen abortion patients.

One woman testified that she had awakened after the abortion to find Finkel lying on top of her groping her breasts. an article in the The August 13,2003 East Valley Tribune, said the woman testified that on the day she had the abortion she, "remember waking up, opening my eyes, his hands were in my breasts groping me."

The Tribune goes on to report that the woman became alarmed when Finkel said he was going to touch her clitoris. She said she glanced at the female attendant who turned away. She stated that prior to that Finkel had thrown a gown at her and told her to undress. She said Finkel yanked the gown up to her throat when she had only pulled it up to her abdomen.

The September 3, 2003 edition of the East Valley Tribune (More women to testify in sexual abuse trial) states that at the time, Finkel performed 20% of the state's abortions. The women who testified against Finkel said that his examinations were unlike any other they had by a physician by touching them in places their doctors had never touched for that type of exam.

Another news report indicated that there were allegations made by one abortion patient of Oral sexual contact.

In an October 23, 2003, Phoenix New Times article entitled, *Trial and Error*, they reported that Detective Art Haduch wrote in 1999 of his interview with Karen Corbett, a previous medical assistant to Finkel, "Corbett told me that Finkel would particularly fondle the breasts of larger-chested women or women with breast enhancement. I asked Karen if she had ever been out of the room, and Finkel was alone with the patient. Karen said this happened numerous times."



Finkel during his trial Photo: Jack Kurtz, The Arizona Republic

During his trial the Phoenix New Times (*No Choice, Scenes from a "clown show" - the Finkel trial*, 01/08/04) reported that one day in court, Finkel responded jocularly to a reporter's question during a recess about his plans for Halloween stating, "I'm going as a transvestite sex-crimes prosecutor."

The New Times also reported that during one court recess, Finkel looked at a

woman who had been testifying against him, then whistled the melody to "If I Only Had a Brain."

In an October 5, 2006 article Finkel is quote as saying, "Physicians that abuse their patients in this state go to prison. I'm not going to prison, because I'm not doing anything wrong."



Finkel was found guilty in Marcopa County Superior Court of 22 counts of criminal sexual abuse Finkel was originally charged with 67 sex counts. Finkel is currently serving time in state prison.

One of Finkel's victims told the paper that she, "hopes he dies in prison." Another victim stated, "I could see that he wasn't sorry for anything that happened."

On December 14, 2006, the Phoenix New Times ran a follow-up report entitled, Hey Diddle Diddle, Abortion doctor Brian Finkel will remain in prison for at least 20 more years, after a recent appellate court loss. The story focused on a letter the New Times received from a cell mate of Finkel's, James Stites, who is serving a six-year prison sentence for attempting to molest a child.

"Since I've been in here," Stites wrote, "I have heard how he loved his job because he got to play with a lot of breasts and how he enjoyed rubbing their crotch. Now he's telling us he will be out on the streets in 2006 because the courts screwed up on his case. . . . Can you let me know if this is true or not because this is one sick son-of-a-bi*** and doesn't need to be on the inside."

Photo: Doug Hoeschler, Phoenix New Times

The New Times reported that in an unpublished decision issued November 21, the Arizona Court of Appeals upheld Finkel's high-profile convictions on 22 counts (involving 13 victims), and reaffirmed the sentence in all but four of those counts. The court reduced the sentence in two of those four counts by two years, and remanded the other two counts for resentencing because of a procedural error.

In the best-case scenario for Finkel the New Times writes, Finkel will become eligible for parole in about 20 years instead of 25.

Abortionist Brian Finkel's new home

Patient awoke to find abortionist raping her

In 1995, abortionist Lawson A. Akpulonu found himself in trouble. Akpulonu, 49 at the time of his arrest, worked for three abortion clinics, and according to the LA Times (*LA Doctor's license is suspended in sex case*: 2/18/1995), was arrested while at work at one of the clinics, the Midland Medical Center in Culver City.

The LA Times reported that documents filed by the attorney general stated that a patient told authorities that Akpulonu performed an abortion on her in a Culver City clinic Jan. 28, 1995, and that while she was still under anesthesia after the procedure, the documents state that she "awoke to find respondent raping her. . . . Akpulonu gave (the) patient . . . a shot and she went back to sleep."

They also reported that, another patient said Akpulonu fondled her after he performed an abortion on her at a South Gate clinic Nov. 9, 1992. Another patient alleged that Akpulonu made sexual comments to her and touched her improperly during a clinic visit Aug. 2, 1994.

A March 18,1993 LA Times article entitled, *State slow to discipline physicians*, reporting on how slow the state of California is to discipline bad doctors stated that Akpulonu pleaded guilty to medical insurance fraud and in 1992 one of Akpulonu's employees complained to the Medical Board that the doctor did not sterilize his surgical tools and used untrained people to assist in operations. A January 31,1993 article said that Akpulonu had been convicted of threatening enemies with a loaded gun

In 1996, the Medical Board of California revoked Akpulonu's license.

Abortionist: sex, rape, and hatred

One of California's biggest sexual misconduct cases against an abortion doctor, might indicate that gynecologist Ivan C. Namihas had a hatred of women.

In March 1981, Roberta Ward, underwent a hysterectomy performed by Namihas. The operation went well, but a few days later the patient's sutures tore open. Namihas put her under anesthesia and sewed her up. A few days later, the stitches tore again. This time Namihas, seemingly agitated, redid the stitches -- but omitted the anesthetic.

"It was excruciatingly painful, but he finished so quickly I didn't have time to do anything," she says.

When Ward went in for a final checkup, she suddenly realized the examination was anything but routine. She says that when she was alone with Namihas, her feet in the metal stirrups, Namihas commented that Ward's husband would "appreciate" his handiwork because he had "sewed me up tighter."

Then the doctor began to fondle her, Ward says. "I thought, 'Do I yell? Do I kick? My feet are up in these things.' So I laid there like a corpse, thinking, 'It's going to be over.' It seemed like an eternity."

Ward tried to take action against Namihas with the state medical board, but the complaint she filed never seemed to go anywhere until Kathleen Schmidt took over the case.

After interviewing Roberta Ward in 1981, Schmidt had no doubt that Ward had told the truth, however Schmidt needed additional witnesses to procede. Six years later she got the break she needed when she overheard another investigator discussing a sexual misconduct case; and mentioned the name Namihas.

The patient, April S., claimed to the investigator that during a pelvic exam, Namihas had fondled her sexually. This complaint stalled as well as Namihas managed to convince two investigators that she had misunderstood a common medical procedure.

Then in 1990 a former girlfriend of Namihas's, Jeanette Jacobs filed a complaint. Jacobs stated to the medical board that Namihas had gotten her pregnant, then performed an after-hours abortion on her without adequate equipment.

The LA Times reported that Namihas allegedly impregnated at least two of his patients, and that he told one woman, whom he treated for more than 10 years, that he became a gynecologist so he could vent his anger toward women.

A former employee said that Namihas "seemed to get some perverse pleasure" from inflicting pain on patients and several women told the LA Times grisly tales of enduring excruciating procedures without anesthesia. Another woman said that she, "felt he had problems with women in general because he talked about how

much he hated his mother and bad relationships he'd had with girlfriends and his wives."

Still another said, "He told me the reason he became a gynecologist was because he hated women and he could use a knife to cut them."

Dozens of women complained to state medical authorities that Namihas had fondled, masturbated or otherwise sexually abused them. Many of the alleged instances of abuse dated back to the late 1960s and continued through 1992, they said.

In a 1993 Primetime investigation several patients shared their horrors:

- * "The examinations would be without gloves. It was my first gynecologist that I ever went to. I didn't know that they were supposed to use gloves. I know that now."
- * " He wanted to be my first sexual experience, to make sure that it was done correctly."
- * "And he wanted me to sit on his lap and give him a return demonstration so that he knew that I knew how to masturbate."

Kathleen Jewel Elliot wrote this letter to the Orange County Medical Association in 1973.

"During the examination of the pelvic region, he began massaging the erogenous zones of my vagina, telling me to close my eyes and relax. He also used foul language. I have no idea at all what can be done, if anything. At least you will have this on record in case you receive other complaints."

In some of the treatments, the indictment alleges, Namihas performed painful laser surgery on patients and billed for the procedures even when test results and biopsies came back negative.

When state medical authorities revoked Namihas' license in May, 1992, more than 200 women came forward and said he abused them.

Officials of the California Attorney General's office have described Namihas as "a predator in a white coat" and called his alleged transgressions "the worst case of sexual abuse by a physician in California history."

Court documents filed by the attorney general allege that he:

- * Made one of his patients pregnant and then performed an abortion on her without adequate equipment and safeguards.
- * Aggressively assaulted and kissed a hospital employee and had her fired when she reported it.
- * Boasted of his sexual prowess and had "physical encounters" with a nurse while a patient was in labor, thus "abdicating his responsibility" to the patient.
- * Performed a dilation and curettage on a woman without anesthesia, an act the attorney general called "cruelty, plain and simple."
- * Taught a patient how to masturbate, then told her to go home and think of him while she masturbated.
- * Induced the same patient to perform oral sex on him.
- * Exposed his penis to a patient.
- * Harassed a woman "for being in labor for 18 hours."

In the June 1997, US Attorney's Bulletin (Volume 45, Number 3) California Assistant Attorney General Jonathan S. Shapiro states, "The term 'abuse of patient trust' must have been coined for Dr. Ivan C. Namihas. Arrogant, cruel and

greedy her carried out a particularly cruel form of fraud against his victims."

He also pointed out that after abusing his patients and destroying medical files, Namihas moved to Las Vegas, Nevada and might, "still there living in his mansion n the 15th hole of a private golf course, but for the courage and persistence of some of his patients."

On July 3, 1992, the Medical Board of California revoked Namihas' license

Abortionist guilty of preying on women

According to facts presented during a license revocation hearing abortionist Tati Okereke was found to use his abortion practice to prey on women. Following are excerpts taken from the NY Medical Board's case #11593 which details the activities of Okereke.

(To read the full .pdf document click here)

Documents related to the case show that Okereke did such actions as, **fondling a** female patient's breast, engaging in sexual intercourse with her and other patients without their consent.

To facilitate his sexual attacks Okereke would inject patients with drugs, then engaging in sexual intercourse without the permission of the abortion patients. In one instance a patient said that Okereke said he was going to withdraw blood, but instead injected her with a drug to make her stuporous, and allegedly attempted to have sexual intercourse with the patient.

One woman testified that she could not move any muscles during this ordeal, but just kept crying, "What are you doing?"

Still another patient testified that after he examined her vagina he licked his finger.

When the time came for his case to be heard she said the doctor tried to pay her of to keep her quiet.

Other findings of the board include -

When Okereke applied for a license in New York, he lied on the application saying he had never been found guilty of professional misconduct. He also failed to disclose a malpractice case entitled: Guth v. Okereke and the Children's Hospital of Buffalo. He also lied as to whether he had ever been charged with a felony. The New York Board pointed out that Okereke was charged with felonies of sexual abuse and bribing a witness by Grand Jury Indictment #82-1579-502, he was initially tried and but later acquitted following a mistrial.

Okereke advertised his New York abortion offices as: High Street Medical Group and the board pointed out that he had not registered with the Erie County Clerk's Office to do business under that name.

On March 11, 1997, The New York State Board of Regents, denied the physician's petition for the restoration of his New York State medical license.

Misconduct Description: The New York State Board of Regents sustained the charges finding the physician guilty of abusing patients; engaging in conduct which evidences moral unfitness; practicing fraudulently, negligence, Incompetence; failing to maintain accurate records and rendering excessive treatment not warranted by the condition of the patient.

LA Times, (State board charges doctor with negligence in botched abortion: 7/2/1993) reported that a 19-Year-old patient of abortionist Saihb S. Halil stated in a lawsuit that after Halil operated on her, he **"attempted to seduce her,"** calling her numerous times at home.

On July 10, 1995, the Medical Board of California revoked Saihb S. Halil's license to practice medicine based upon his patient care in 1987 and 1988. According to a Drug Enforcement Hearing (Federal Register Vol. 64, No. 119, June 22, 1999) against Halil, the Board concluded that Respondent's license should be revoked:

- (1) "For gross negligence in his treatment of [3 named patients]"
- (2) "for repeated acts of negligence in his treatment of [3 named patients]"
- (3) "for acts and omissions which constitute incompetence in his treatment of 2 patients"
- (4) "for dishonest and corrupt acts in his dealings with [1 named patient]"
- (5) "for sexual misconduct with [1 named patient]"

A victim of molestation speaks out

On October 13, 2005, this comment was sent into The O'Reilly Factor regarding the issue of parental consent on abortion.



"Doris, I'm withholding her last name, California, 'I had an abortion in Anaheim without my parents' knowledge. The doctor performing the operation molested me, knowing I would not tell. I will vote yes on parental notification."

Abortionist grabs women inappropriately

On May 28,2003, The Medical Board of California (Division of Medical Quality Case # 10-2001-125390) disciplined the medical license of abortion doctor John R. Rivera, Jr.

The case involved an incident of assault perpetrated by Rivera when Rivera was attending a San Diego Street Festival. Rivera approached a woman standing in line waiting to purchase some beer. The case revealed that he then asked her if she would like to attend an ecstasy party the next night, and the women said she didn't do that sort of thing.

When Rivera turned to leave he reached around another person and grabbed the women tightly in the vaginal area.

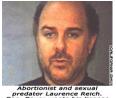
When the police arrived, Rivera denied the incident and that he also denied that he had been using ecstasy, however a urine sample taken from Rivera tested positive for the drug.

In July of 2006, the board ruled to reinstate Rivera's license.

Abortionist asks patients to masturbate

In February of 2006, the California Board of Osteopathic Examiners requested that abortionist Laurence A. Reich turn in his medical license (case #00200000100800).

Documents of the accusations presented to the board include allegations that Reich fondled one woman during an exam, asked her if it felt good and then kissed her. Another woman said that Reich was sexually excited during an exam and asked her to stimulate herself so that he could diagnose an infection. Another said he asked her to stimulate herself in front of him and later asked her to demonstrate an oral sex technique on his thumb.



This was the end of a story that began in 1982 when a complaint was filed by the board against Reich that included allegations from six women, four accusing him of sexual impropriety and two of incompetence

As a result of these allegations, the board placed Reich on probation from 1984 to 1994, and required that he have a nurse present while treating patients, according to court records. Initially Reich's license was revoked, but the board stayed the revocation for 10 years as long as Reich followed certain terms.

However, in 2002, Reich was again accused of performing sexual acts on his patients. .

An October 30, 2005 article in the LA Daily News entitled, Convicted physician continues practicing, said that patients accused Reich of sticking his fingers inside their vaginas without medical necessity and asking them inappropriate questions about their sexuality then Reich gave the women his home phone number.

In one instance, the case revealed that Reich was accused of asking a patient some very personal questions about her sex life, if she had ever had an extramarital affair, if she was happy with her husband, and about her sexual fantasies.

Reich then reportedly placed his hands on her genitals and rubbed her. He asked her if she masturbated and if her vagina became easily lubricated. He then requested that she lubricate herself, the patient asked Reich if he meant that she should masturbate and Reich replied in the affirmative. The patient refused.

Sheila Elder one of Reich's accusers said that she was referred to the Family Planning Medical Clinic in Van Nuys through a friend. Elder was 29 when she visited Reich's clinic on Sept. 25, 1999, seeking to renew her birth-control prescription, according to the complaint filed by the Attorney General's Office.

Her complaint alleges Reich touched her inappropriately, told her she had cervical scarring, and that she should schedule another appointment so he could examine her further. After the exam, Reich asked for her home phone number, and gave Elder his home, work and pager numbers, according to the complaint. He pushed for the follow-up visit to further examine the scarring, she said. Instead, Elder followed up with her family physician, who said he found no sign of scarring.

Yvette Chambers stumbled on the clinic through a 411 telephone call. She told CNN (California case shows need for checking doctors' backgrounds: 12/5/2005) that she was, "in the exam room with her feet in the stirrups, Reich, the only other person in the room."

She wasn't comfortable with the way Reich touched her, or with his questions about her sex life during a gynecological exam at a Los Angeles-area clinic."I was questioning myself as to why I felt so uncomfortable, because it's a doctor, he's a doctor. Look at him he's in a doctor's (office), his beard's cleanly cut," Chambers said. Then, she says, he asked her out to lunch. "At that point I realized 'eww, eww, I have just been molested. I have just been violated. He just asked me out," Chambers said.

Chambers filed a complaint against Reich after the February 2000 appointment, adding to a list of allegations that date back to the 1970s, according to documents on file with the California Osteopathic Medical Board -- which regulates osteopaths but not medical doctors.

"He took advantage of me, and he did it under the guise of a doctor,"
Chambers said in an interview. "In a normal setting, I'm 100 percent sure I would have acted different, I would've stopped him. But he's a doctor."

Elder told the press that, "If they had taken this seriously from the get-go, if they would have done something earlier, what happened to Yvette wouldn't have happened."

The media pointed out that little information was available to these victims before they fell prey to Reich. CNN said that the board did not state on it's public information website that Reich was arrested in 2002 on sexual battery charges and pleaded no contest to one count of sexual exploitation by a physician, a misdemeanor.

On December 9,2005, pro-choice Senator Barbara Boxer expressed disgust in the system and called for the board to remove Reich's medical license. She writes,

"I recently learned of the extraordinarily disturbing circumstances surrounding the actions of Dr. Laurence Reich, an osteopath who practices in California. I believe that immediate action should be taken to suspend Dr. Laurence Reich's medical license until a full hearing is held and any legal cases against him are completed...Due process is an important part of our legal and regulatory system to protect the interests of various professionals who are regulated by government. In this case, the question that is raised by the history of Dr. Reich is, what about the protection of the public's interest? This license suspension is long overdue to protect the public."

In February of 2006, California's Osteopathic Medical Board accepted the tendered license of Laurence Reich. Reich will be allowed to practice until April 14, giving him time to close or sell his practice, officials told the Daily News of Los Angeles, (Osteopath Surrenders License, avoids hearing: 2/16/2006).

In turning over his license, Reich admitted that he had pleaded no contest "to a criminal offense substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of an osteopathic physician and surgeon," according to court documents. He was sentenced to one day in jail and one year's probation.

Abortionist has sex with an unconscious patient

According to the City News Service, (An unlicensed medical assistant accused of claiming to be a doctor and raping victims before performing abortions on them was sentenced to 12 years in state prison, a prosecutor said today: 6/12/1996), Miguel Hugh Gomez, a California abortion clinic medical assistant, posing as a doctor was indicted on two counts of rape of an unconscious person and rape by use of drugs; and one count of sodomy of an unconscious person, unlawful practice of medicine with serious injury, unlawful representation as a physician, sexual battery by restraint, and anal and genital penetration by a foreign object.

Authorities began investigating Gomez in December 1994, after a man told police he had seen the Gomez having sex with an apparently unconscious woman at the Daly Medical Clinic in Montecito Heights.

The man had taken his wife to Gomez for an abortion and when he felt that the procedure was taking too long, he went outside and looked through the clinic's windows. That is when he saw the Gomez and another woman.

The prosecutor said a licensed doctor owns the abortion clinic where the assault occurred and Gomez worked there on weekends. Gomez initially was charged with practicing medicine without a license, pending investigation of the rape allegations. Gomez plead no contest to nine criminal charges.

In January of 1991, the Medical Board of California (case # D-4430) heard an accusation against Gomez involving an abortion he performed on 1987. The accusation states that on October 25,1987 a patient went to the La Clinica Eva abortion clinic at 707 South Broadway in Los Angeles for an abortion. Gomez performed the procedure without any licensed physicians present.

During the procedure the left arm of the fetus was avulsed as the woman was much further along than Gomez had originally estimated. The abortion was stopped and the patient was taken to the hospital and found to have been 31 weeks gestation.

In August of 1991, the Medical Board of California revoked Gomez's license. In June of 1996, Los Angeles Superior Court Judge William Pounders sentenced Miguel Hugh Gomez, of Torrance to 12 years in state prison.



Doc forces abortion on his wife

The State of Florida: Division of Administrative Hearings, case # 0098363, and the Miami Herald: 4/24/1988 among other print and television news sources, reveal that in 1988, abortionist Theodore Lehrer was arrested after he performed an abortion on his wife in their home allegedly against her will.

Lehrer's wife told police that when he arrived home he requested to have sex with her. She denied him sex stating that she was not feeling well, due to her pregnancy. Lehrer's wife reported that he then handcuffed her and strapped her to a table in their home, and had sex with her anyway.



Then his wife alleged that he <u>performed an abortion on her without her permission</u>. Local news papers reported that she told authorities he was going to give her an injection to numb the pain, only she felt no injection-just excruciating pain.

Police along with the State's Medical Board took action immediately but dismissed all the charges because Lehrer's wife was too ill to testify against her husband in the case.

Lehrer shows having a current and active license with the state of Florida and Lehrer continues to perform abortions at the All Women's Center abortion clinic. His website shows that he is a member of the Association of Reproductive Health Professionals, and the National Abortion Federation and other medical organizations.

More than 20 charges made against abortionist

In 1987, the Tamarac, Florida, the police department began an investigation into allegations of sexual assault by abortion doctor Jeffrey Goldenberg. Goldenberg was employed by the University Women's Center abortion clinic in Tamarac.

In August of 1988, the Associated Press (*Doctor Ordered to Stop Practicin*, 8/6/1988) reported that Jeffrey Goldenberg, 41, surrendered his license to state's Department of Professional Regulation officials, who said in a written emergency suspension order that Goldenberg presented an "immediate and serious danger" to the public. In the end, there were several complaints against the doctor.

(Florida Department of Professional Regulation case numbers 102532, 73882, 70744, 75174, 80918, 85142, 94175, and 76, 95832, 102527, and 528, 529, 531, 598, 103134 and 466, 467, 468, 489, 103751 and 752, 755, 67793, 86772, 32342, 77112, 874, 959320, 87-1457)

The department accused Goldenberg of stitching up the abdomen of a woman on whom he performed a Cesarean section despite heavy internal bleeding. Goldenberg also botched his attempt to treat the woman after she suffered cardiac arrest, the department charged. The woman died after the operation.

The department's case includes allegations that he performed at least seven unnecessary Cesarean sections and fondled a patient during an examination.

In a separate case, the agency also has accused Goldenberg of **injecting a patient with sedatives and then sexually assaulting her**, said Bruce Lamb, the agency's chief medical attorney. Lamb said the agency has asked that the state Board of Medicine revoke Goldenberg's license.

Investigators were in the process of reviewing over 20 complaints against Goldenberg when he died unexpectedly.

Abortionist convicted, lewd conduct and battery

In August 1990, the Miami Herald reported that Indiana abortion provider Pravin Thakker was convicted of performing abortions on his former lovers without their consent.

Thakker was also investigated by the Indiana Medical board (Indiana Health Profession Bureau Case # 89 MLB 003) for lewd and immoral conduct toward female patients under his care.

On June 11,1991 a jury found Thakker guilty of two counts of battery, two counts of illegal abortion and two counts of criminal recklessness. Thakker was sentenced on July 31, 1991 to prison in the Indiana Department of Corrections. He was released from prison in April of 1995.

The Sullivan's Group, Physician's Law Review confirms this when they state that Dr. Thakkar was sentenced to sixteen years in prison for illegally aborting fetuses from two former lovers and attempting to do so with a third, without the women's consent.

Dr. Pravin Thakkar was convicted on June 12, 1992 on one count of attempted illegal abortion and two counts each of performing an illegal abortion, battery and criminal recklessness. He was sentenced to 24 years with 8 years suspended.

He allegedly performed illegal abortions after telling the women he was giving them routine pelvic examinations. One woman was eight months pregnant.

Two patients testified that Thakkar aborted their fetuses without their permission. Both said Thakkar had gotten them pregnant.

An Associated Press article reported that the victims, Carmen Singer and Kathy Collins, both of Anderson, testified that Thakkar aborted their fetuses without their permission. They said he was the father of the fetuses. A third woman, Bonnie Coffey-Myers of Indianapolis, said she had also dated Thakkar and that he tried to abort her pregnancy without her consent. She said she didn't believe Thakkar was the father of her fetus.

Indiana revoked his medical license as a result of the charges.



Define - legitimate medical purpose . . .

The Boston Globe reported in a July 2, 1999 article (*Board OKs claims against doctor*) that the Massachusetts state's medical board disciplined abortionist Howard J. Silverman, who owns Repro Associates an abortion clinic in Brookline.

According to the article, Silverman allegedly "touched the breasts of numerous patients for no legitimate medical purpose."

In addition he, "made sexual advances on a medical assistant . . . in an examination room while a patient was still on the examining table. Between 1994 and 1995, Silverman allegedly told a patient to **prepare for a pelvic exam by getting "into the position that got you here."**

The New York Times also reported the conduct in their December 10, 1995 article, *Investigation Targets Tests For Abortions*. The Times states, that in 1984, the Board of Registration in Medicine disciplined Silverman for sexual misconduct with an 18-year-old patient.

As a result of all these action, Silverman's privileges to admit patients to five Boston area hospitals were revoked and have not been reinstated. He must now rely on colleagues to admit patients to hospitals in emergency cases.

Here's an interesting footnote: After the report of sexual abuse, Jennifer Jackson, than President of the Massachusetts National Organization for Women, made this outrageous comment,

"N.O.W. is appalled to learn of any doctor engaged in the sexual exploitation of women, but this is only one doctor and one incident, others working to provide safe abortions should not be tainted by it."

No wonder he wanted to volunteer

Meet Hideo D. Mori, all around good guy.

In addition, to his private practice Mori volunteered at a Planned Parenthood clinic in Austin, MN. It appears, however, that warm fuzzy feeling he felt wasn't from 18 years of giving of himself to the abortion cause.

According to information brought to light during numerous disciplinary hearings, one of which finally cost him his license, Mori had more on his mind than abortions.

(Click here to read the entire Minnesota Board of Medical Examiners file)

According to the board, Mori was found to have engaged in sexual misconduct with several of his female patients. Documents state that Mori engaged in this activity for over 20 years.

The charges against Mori included, massaging the clitoris and vagina of a patient during pelvic exams and kissing the face neck and breasts of patients during exams and embracing a patient.

In addition, he told one of his patients that she should have sex with her husband in front of him so he could observe and determine why the patient was not climaxing.

Another patient told the board that during an examination Mori manipulated her clitoris and stimulated her vagina with his fingers, telling her to relax and close her eyes. He then bent down and kissed her breasts. She stated that she felt something in her vagina and asked, "What are you doing?" Mori replied, "I thought you might want to know what a penis felt like." She stated that she did not and opened her eyes, his pants were unzipped. Mori did not engage in sexual intercourse with the patient and she continued to see him for a number of years.

Still another patient reported that Mori had been assisting her in relaxation methods that she felt would help her in her relationship with her husband. In one instance, Mori asked her to undress and he helped her to undress. He then began to hug, kiss, and stimulate her. She then noticed that he was sexually aroused and he pressed his penis against her hand on the table. He then climbed up on the table and laid on top of her and began to comfort himself with her, talking about his job and family troubles. He then asked if they could have intercourse, she said, "No." He then got off the table, and left the room.

And yet another patient claimed that after Mori massaged her clitoris, he instructed her to get up, remove her top, go to the mirror and brush her hair. She was petrified and remained still on the table. He then told her to get dressed and go home.

After initial suspending his license the MN Board went ahead and revoked it.

Sex fiend

According to the NY State Board of Professional Medical Conduct, Case # BPMC 01-99, on April 16, 2001 abortionist Daniel Holschauer of Warwick, NY lost his license after stalking his abortion patients. One victim alleged that after performing an abortion on her, Holschauer wanted to see her and he wanted sex.

The Times Herald Record Online, (*Warwick gynecologist admits stalking patients for sex, 06/01/06*) reported that later that same day he did have unprotected sex with a patient, a woman he'd performed an abortion on days earlier.

Then Holschauer began to stalk her, calling up, showing up. He wanted more, so he began to stalk her. An investigation showed that she was not the first patient that Holschauer attempted to have sex with.

Following surgery on one patient, Holschauer removed the gauze from her vagina and stated, "you know, I would really like to be there." Holschauer then began to pull his pants down and the patient noticed that he was having an erection.

Holschauer then told the patient, "I just did you a favor, now you do me a favor."

When the patient refused, Holschauer asked the abortion patient to perform oral sex, and to masturbate him with her hand. Holschauer then kissed the patient on the mouth and grabbed her breast.

Years earlier it was reported that Holschauer had sex with a post-abortion patient by giving her a pill, he told her it would relax her, then he took her back to her apartment and had sex with her.

Holschauer's license was suspended for one year, but after only two months it was reinstated provided he adhere to the following conditions: he can treat female patients only with a chaperone present; he must undergo routine drug testing; and he must undergo psychotherapy for as long as the therapist deems necessary.

Holschauer was the placed on probation for five years.

To read the findings of the case click here

Hayat takes a hands on approach to medicine

According to the State of NY: Department of Health Board for Professional Misconduct, in the matter of Abu Hayat M.D on October 11,1991, a female patient went to abortionist Abu Hayat's office for an abortion follow-up exam.

Medical Board hearings stated that during the exam Hayat placed his fingers in the patient's anus and vagina while his other hand was on her buttocks. He then moved the hand, which he had on her buttocks and tucked it under her breast and left it there.

During testimony of this incident Hayat, as he has often done when a patient complains, denied ever treating this patient. Hayat had a history of denying the treatment of several of the patients who filed complaints against him. This event was not the oly time Hayat faced the board. He was well known for several other violations regarding a number of his patients.

Read NY Review Board's findings by clicking here.

Clinic volunteer videos sex with boys

On October 13, 2004, The Toledo Blade, (*HIV Volunteer is arrested on sex charge*) reported that an HIV infected volunteer for Planned Parenthood was arrested 10-12-2004, for **unlawful sexual conduct with a minor**.

Jerry Steven Gonzales, 46 at the time, was reported to volunteer for Planned Parenthood of North West Ohio, talking to patrons of gay bars about unprotected sex.

A neighborhood girl found a tape in an alley near Gonzales' home that contained explicit sexual scenes. The girl's family turned it over to police, because it contained sexual scenes and minors. Police then confiscated about 50 videotapes from Gonzales' residence and some showed him having sex with at least 5 boys.

Police Chief Mike Navarre told the Blade that Gonzales plead guilty to a similar misdemeanor charge in Michigan in 1989 but was not registered as a sex offender. Chief Navarre said he was stunned that a person would use children in such a manner.

Abortionist accused of sodomy and rape

According to the Daily Oklahoman (Abortion Doctor Denies Sex Charges:

9/20/1994), Oklahoma abortion doctor Nareshkumar Patel, 42, was charged in Oklahoma County District Court with one count of forcible oral sodomy and one count of sexual battery in an alleged 1993 sexual assault on a patient.

Patel denied that he had sexually abused any of his patients.

The 25-year-old victim testified that Patel attempted to force her to sodomize him after she had been sedated. Two other women previously testified Patel had raped them after he had administered an anesthetic to them.

However, Patel was not charged in those attacks because they allegedly happened in 1989 and 1990. They came forward only after Patel was charged in 1993.

A September 16,1994 article in the same paper, Ex-Patient Claims Rape By Patel Before Abortion, reports that a 26-year-old Moore woman testified that Patel raped her in 1990 shortly before performing an abortion on her. The woman testified that Dr. Patel prepared her for an abortion by sedating her, then raped her on the surgical table. After the assault, Patel began the abortion procedure, the woman testified.

Another woman testified that she had been a patient of Patel's in 1989 and also had been raped by him under similar circumstances. The woman, then 19, also did not report the alleged attack to law enforcement because she "felt dirty."

Patel denied all the charges and some of his staff testified that he was never alone with female patients. However, Rochelle Brown, a former employee of Patel's at his Shawnee clinic, claimed Patel often would conduct pelvic examinations on female patients with no nurse present.

Abortion nurse sees doc touch and kiss patients

In March of 2004 an Oregon abortionist Ronald C. Stevenson was sentenced to 5 years probation for aggravated harassment of his patients.

The Bullet 2/14/2004, 3/12/2004 and The Associated Press State & Local Wire, *Accused doctor faced similar complaints in Washington:* 11/23/2003, reported the story.

Four nurses told police that they had witnessed abortionist Stevenson inappropriately touch and kiss his patients. One of his patients reported to police that Stevenson had caressed her as she awoke from anesthesia, Stevenson was then reported to have kissed the woman.

In another investigation, a 26-year-old Seattle woman told police that she was seeking an abortion and went to abortionist Stevenson at the Okanogan Valley Clinic. The woman said she awoke from the procedure to find abortion doctor Stevenson caressing her.

She didn't report the incident until a friend of her sister's said Stevenson had made advances toward her.

The Oregon Board of Medical Examiners stated that Stevenson entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on July 14, 2005. In this Order he agreed to surrender his Oregon medical license while under investigation. Stevenson may not reapply for licensure for a minimum of two years and must obtain an evaluation before his application can be considered.

Stevenson entered into a Voluntary Limitation with the Board on January 15, 2004. In this Order Licensee Stevenson agreed to the following terms: Stevenson will provide the Board with 14 days notice prior to beginning practice in Oregon; Stevenson will offer a chaperone to all female patients over the age of 16.

Abortion and a massage

In February of 1989, Missouri abortionist Richard G Casey of St. Louis plead guilty to charges that he had schemed to collect Medicaid payments for sexual massages and abortions, according to the St. Louis Post-Dispatch (*Physician pleads guilty of defrauding Medicaid*, 2/4/1989) The paper reported that Casey devised a scheme to defraud Medicaid by submitting false bills for lab tests and for delivering babies. Casey also submitted bills for work that was medically unnecessary. Casey knew that Medicaid would not pay for abortions.

The St. Louis Dispatch reported that the indictment charged that Casey submitted claims for rubbing and massaging patients "in a sexual manner" and that such massages were "neither medically indicated nor necessary."

Because Casey knew that insurance companies would not pay for elective abortions, he filed claims saying the abortions were procedures he had performed in connection with miscarriages.

A January 21,1990 article in the Dispatch (*Doctor sentenced in Medicaid scheme*) reported that Casey pleaded guilty to two counts of mail fraud and two counts of tax evasion. Casey was sentenced to two years in prison In addition to giving the doctor a prison term, U.S. District Judge Clyde S. Cahill put Casey on three years' probation.

Abortionist Zorro - AKA Sex Stud

Here is yet another case from the New York State Board of Professional Medical Conduct. According to their order # BPMC 00-32, abortionist Alan Zarkin was ordered to surrender his medical license as he could not defend against at least one of ten charges of misconduct brought against him.

Here are a few of the charges listed by the Board:

In 1999, while working at Beth Israel Hospital in New York, abortionist Alan Zarkin performed a cesarean on a woman and when she asked if he had removed all the fat, Zarkin stated that he had and that he was **"going to add it to his penis." Zarkin then went and carved his initials, "AZ,"** into the woman's abdomen because he claimed he did a good job in the surgery.



Photo: BBC News

In 1996, while treating a patient at his office, Zarkin told the patient that she was special and that she was beautiful. He said that he talked about her to all of his friends. He then proceeded to call the patient at home and invited her to a wedding with him. During one of her annual visits with Zarkin, he told her he had received an eye lift and commented, "Between the eye job and the Viagra, I'm a sex stud. Can you believe that I did it three times in one night?"

Zarkin also commented about the woman's pubic hair and told her, "*like your Mohawk*."

The New York Times reported in the article, *How Doctor Got Work After Carving Into Patient* (01/27/00), that a patient who contacted them, who insisted that her name not be used, said that Zarkin made increasingly lewd remarks to her over three years, leading her to file a complaint with the state.

Besides making crass sex jokes, she said, Dr. Zarkin commented that she was "beautiful" and his "favorite patient." She filed a complaint with the Department of Health, she said, when the doctor told her he was taking Viagra three times per day and masturbating in the shower.

In February of 2000, the New York Department of Health closed the Choices Women's Medical Center abortion clinic where Zarkin worked detailing numerous health violations. Zarkin was brought on staff there by clinic administrator, Merle Hoffman who claimed that she was unaware of Zarkin's checkered past.

The New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct agreed with Zarkin that he could not successfully defend against at least one of the charges of gross negligence; negligence on more than one occasion; verbally or physically abusing a patient; conduct which evidences moral unfitness; practicing medicine while impaired and having a psychiatric condition which impairs his ability to practice medicine. On February 2,2000 Zarkin surrendered his medical license.

Read the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct's findings here.
Read the 01/00 NewYork Times article, How Doctor got to Work after Carving into Patient, here

Abortionist has sex with depressed patient

The Times Union, (DA investigates doctor's conduct: 9/17/2005)reported that abortionist Dr. Akiva Abraham's license was revoked on Aug. 2. Medical Board records show that Abraham, was accused of having sex with a 25 year-old patient suffering from anxiety and depression on the same day he was slated to do an abortion on her.

The State of New York, Department of Health records on file with the New York Board of Professional Misconduct and Physician Discipline, report that on March Abraham administered Methrotrexate , an abortion drug to the patient to terminate the pregnancy. On March 13, 2002, he administered Cytotec to assist in the abortion and bring on labor. On that same day, while at her apartment and subsequent to administering pain medication to the women, he had sex with her.

The Times Union reported that, after learning she had slept with another man, he once "grabbed her by her hair and threw her onto her bed and then had sexual intercourse against her wishes," the board stated.

The paper also reported that Abraham allegedly had sex with his patient in an oncall room for doctors at St. Peter's Hospital. It also accused him of inducing another woman's labor so her delivery wouldn't disrupt his vacation plans.

After the Times Union wrote about the state charges against Abraham in late July, several dozen women wrote and called the newspaper to tell of their experiences. Most said they were dissatisfied with his care or that his behavior made them uncomfortable.

Several confirmed the state's finding that Abraham would regularly hug his patients and make suggestive remarks to them.

"I was always very uneasy with the way he flirted and would embrace me on every visit," one woman wrote in an e-mail.

The state found that Abraham also falsified medical records for several patients, failed to maintain accurate records and misrepresented his professional

memberships on his Web site.

In April of 2007, the Board for Professional Medical Conduct found the 40-year-old doctor morally unfit to practice medicine. Abraham's attorney, James Hacker, disputed the state's findings.

As of that date officials at St. Peter's Hospital say Abraham is no longer an active member of its staff.

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