



September 1, 2010

State Attorney Christopher J. Eastridge
129 E. Main St, Room 210
Elkton, MD 21921

Dear Mr. Eastridge:

This is a formal complaint asking your office to investigate and file appropriate criminal charges against Stephen Chase Brigham for the unlicensed practice of medicine and possible fraud for falsely representing to patients that his is a licensed physician.

On August 25, 2010, the Maryland State Board of Physicians issued a Cease and Desist order against Brigham ordering him to stop the practice of medicine at five Maryland locations, including Elkton, where he allegedly has been illegally conducting surgeries since January of this year.

I have included a copy of the order with this letter along with other licensing documents in other states that show a pattern of misbehavior and illegal conduct.

Brigham has a long and checkered history. He voluntarily retired his medical license in Pennsylvania while under investigation, had medical licenses revoked in New York and Florida, and received disciplinary action in California and New Jersey. He served 120 days in jail in 1998 for Medicaid fraud.

A New Jersey judge once ordered him to stop advertising his abortions as “painless” and “safe.”

In light of the fact that Brigham’s actions have endangered the public and because he appears to be a scofflaw on whom normal discipline has little effect, we ask that he be charged criminally and be held to full accountability under the law

Sincerely,

Cheryl Sullenger
Senior Policy Advisor
Operation Rescue

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