

Elkton Police Department

December 29th, 2011

Crime(s): Murder First Degree, Murder Second Degree, Conspiracy Murder First Degree

Date/Time: December 28th, 2011

Location: 126 E. High St.

Suspect(s): see below

Arrested: Steven Chase Brigham 55, of Voorhees, NJ
Nicola Irene Riley 46, of Salt Lake City, UT

Charges: Brigham: Murder First Degree x5
Murder Second Degree x5
Conspiracy Murder First Degree x1

Riley: Murder First Degree x1
Murder Second Degree x1
Conspiracy Murder First Degree x1

Summary: An Investigation into Doctor Steven Brigham and Doctor Nicola Riley began on August 13th, 2010, when a female patient was brought into the Union Hospital ER by Dr. Riley. The patient, a young adult female from out-of-state, was brought to Union Hospital from 126 E. High St., Elkton, due to complication resulting from a medical procedure being administered at 126 E. High St. The patient was later transported to John Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. It was learned, the patient had been driven to 126 E. High St, Elkton from Voorhees, NJ to receive an abortion. The investigation revealed both Dr. Brigham and Dr. Riley were on the premises of 126 E. High St. at the time of this incident.

Due to the information gathered in the course of the investigation, on Tuesday, August 17th, 2010, the Elkton Police Department executed a search and seizure warrant on the medical clinic located at 126 E. High St., Elkton. During the search of the premises several fetuses were located in a freezer chest. The fetuses were removed to the Medical Examiner's Office in Baltimore.

As a result of a lengthy investigation; on December 28th, 2011, a Circuit Court Indictment Warrant (charges listed above) was received by the Elkton Police Department. Upon request for assistance, Dr. Brigham was located and apprehended by the Camden, NJ Homicide Division without

incident on the evening of December 28th, 2011. Dr, Brigham is currently being held as a fugitive at the Camden County jail and awaiting an extradition hearing.

Also, on December 28th, 2011, a Circuit Court Indictment Warrant (charges listed above) was received by the Elkton Police Department for Dr. Riley. Dr. Riley was located and apprehended by the Unified Police Department, UT without incident on the evening of December 28th, 2011. Dr. Riley is currently being held at the Salt Lake City Jail awaiting a Fugitive/extradition hearing.

Additional questions/information – referred to the Office of the State's Attorney for Cecil County, Deputy State's Attorney Kerwin Miller (410)996-5335