

Maryland Prosecutor Drops Murder Charges Against 2 Abortionists In Cecil County

Elkton, MD - We reported in our *Winter Life Report* that Abortionist Steven Chase Brigham had been arrested and charged with 5 counts of First Degree murder, 5 more counts of Second Degree murder and one count of conspiracy to commit murder. Abortionist Nicole Irene Riley had also been charged with one count of First Degree murder, one count of Second Degree murder and one count of conspiracy to commit murder. The indictment had charged that five viable unborn babies were killed at the "clinic" in Elkton, MD during the summer of 2010.



On March 7, 2012, ABC News reported that:

A Maryland prosecutor says he had to drop murder charges against two abortion doctors after learning that an expert witness expected to testify that the fetuses were terminated in the county would change his testimony.

Cecil County State's Attorney Ellis Rollins said Wednesday, a day after he dismissed all charges against Drs. Steven Brigham of New Jersey and Nicola Riley of Utah, that prosecutors could have proven that the fetuses were viable, but they could no longer refute that terminations occurred elsewhere.

NRLC Media Advisory: U.S. House Panel Challenges Policy of Legal Abortion Until Birth in Nation's Capital

May 28, 2012 – Pro-life members of the U.S. House of Representatives, with strong backing from the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), are moving forward with legislation to curb a scandal: In our nation's capital, abortion is legal for any reason whatever, up until the moment of birth.

This appalling situation would be addressed by the District of Columbia Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (H.R. 3803).

At NRLC's urging, beginning in 2010, six states – Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Alabama, Idaho, and Georgia – have already enacted such bans. More states are expected to pass such bans in the future. But it is past time for Congress to act to end the horrors that are occurring in its own backyard.

Action Alert

Please go to the National Right to Life's Action Alert website at www.capwiz.com/nrlc/home to send an e-mail to your House representative, or call and use the following message:

"I strongly urge your support for the District of Columbia Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, H.R. 3803. This bill already has over 196 cosponsors. If you are not yet among them, I urge you to cosponsor the bill immediately."

President's Column



I want to congratulate our Special Projects Coordinator, Cookie Harris and all those who helped make our second annual Banquet an outstanding success. The event was a total sellout, and Dr. Carson was a compassionate and caring doctor who gave a tremendous keynote talk.

I also want to welcome back our newly reinvigorated chapter in Washington County. Their first meeting was attended by 20 people and they are planning several projects and activities this year.

Maryland Right to Life is making great strides and experiencing new growth, but we have a long way to go.

Unfortunately, we have a great struggle ahead of us. Because abortion is legal in Maryland throughout pregnancy,

doctors who are now banned from doing late term abortions in other state are moving to Maryland. We need to stronger laws which will end these gruesome abortions.

We have been doubly blessed in Maryland by the appointment of Archbishop Lori to the diocese of Baltimore. He is an outspoken leader who is championing the cause of religious liberty. The Obama administration's recent attacks on religious liberty by the Department of Health and Human Services are using the Obama Care mandates to force religious institutions and individuals of conscience to pay for procedures and medications that violate their religious beliefs.

I am grateful to all our chapters and individual members who are working so hard to build a culture of life in our nation.

Thank you for your hard work and may God bless you all.

Darla St. Martin



MDRTL's 2nd Annual Banquet Tremendous Success Dr. Ben Carson Captivates Attendees



Pediatric Neurosurgeon, Dr. Ben Carson enthralled the attendees of Maryland Right to Life's second annual banquet. Dr. Carson recounted events in his childhood growing up in a ghetto surrounded by crime and violence. At one point he said he thought he would never live to be 25 years old. And yet though the grace of God he survived and became one of our nation's most accomplished physicians.



**Keynote Speaker
Dr. Ben Carson**

His testimony was filled with stories of how he took on medical challenges that were thought to be impossible and often had to maneuver around the 'establishment' to provide the medical care his patients desperately needed. Dr. Carson believes every human being deserves to be respected and cared for as a child of God.

A man of great courage and deep religious conviction, Dr. Carson spoke eloquently about how our nation has strayed from its foundational Christian heritage and has now become a politically correct society based on secular humanism. Truly, Dr. Carson is a deeply religious man who walks humbly with his God.

Dr. Carson serves as director of pediatric neurosurgery at the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions. He uses his dedication and God-given talent to take on seemingly impossible operations, giving children hope for a second chance at a healthy and normal life. He was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest civilian award in the United States by President George W. Bush in 2008.

Author of four books, Dr. Carson graciously signed books and chatted with banquet attendees after the dinner. "His gentle manner and easy conversation make everyone he spoke to feel special," remarked Cookie Harris MDRTL's, Special Projects Coordinator.

"This is one of the finest banquets I have ever attended," commented Darla St. Martin President of MDRTL. "Cookie Harris and all those who worked on the banquet deserve great credit for a truly outstanding event."

Other speakers included, Congressman Dr. Andy Harris (MD-1) who reviewed some of the important pro-life issues facing congress and the importance having a strong pro-life organization in Maryland.

MDRTL's lobbyist Jeff Meister presented the legislative challenges faced in the recently ended session of the state legislature and gave documented history of how close many elections are and in some cases are decided by less than 1% of votes cast.

Mr. Steve Patruka, encouraged attendees to make a special donation to MDRTL to help it continue to provide its excellent statewide pro-life leadership.

The banquet was held at Martin's West in Woodlawn and offered an outstanding reception, buffet and live music provided by Bob Stout.

A silent auction rounded out the evening and offered attendees dozens of elegant and useful items to bid on. Everything from camping equipment to baskets of assorted jellies and preserves were up for bid.



Religious Liberty Advocate, Archbishop Lori Appointed to Lead Baltimore Archdiocese

by Ernest Ohlhoff



Archbishop William Lori

Archbishop William Edward Lori, 62, of the Diocese of Bridgeport, CT, has been named by Pope Benedict XVI as the 16th archbishop of Baltimore.

Archbishop Lori serves as the Chairman of the newly formed Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty which was established last September by United States Catholic Conference President Timothy Cardinal Dolan to

fight political threats which violate Catholic teaching.

Archbishop Lori's statements and testimony before Congress have been strong, direct and eloquent. In testimony delivered to a congressional committee Archbishop Lori's now famous parable of the Kasher Deli and the Pork Mandate has gone viral on social network all across America. <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/upload/lori-testimony-for-oversight-on-religious-freedom-2012-02-16.pdf>

The appointment to the Baltimore Archdiocese comes at a crucial time as a result of attacks by the Obama Administration on individual consciences and religious liberty through

mandates issued by Obama's Secretary of Health and Human Services. Archbishop Lori's appointment to Baltimore is viewed by many as a sign of the importance of the religious liberty issue and would seem to indicate appreciation for Archbishop Lori's leadership, talents and courage.

Prior to being appointed Bishop of Bridgeport Connecticut, Archbishop Lori served as auxiliary bishop for the Archdiocese of Washington. Originally from Louisville, KY., he received a bachelor's degree from St. Pius X Seminary in Kentucky and later earned a master's degree from Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland, which is in the diocese of Baltimore. He then continued his studies and received his doctorate in sacred theology from The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

Archbishop Lori was elected the 10th supreme chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, a Catholic lay fraternal organizations with which he has had a longtime affiliation.. "The Knights of Columbus is an amazing lay organization, predominantly, that already supports family life in very magnificent ways, supports the dignity of human life, and also the vocations of priestly and religious life, as well as a solid healthy patriotism," then Bishop Lori told CNS upon his 2005 appointment.

National Right to Life Convention - Register Today!

What: A Gathering of the Latest and Greatest Pro-Life Speakers

Where: Crystal City, Virginia

When: June 28th, 29th, and 30th

Register at: www.nrlconvention.com

Please join us in Washington, DC on June 28 - 30th for the 42nd Annual National Right to Life Convention. This meeting of pro-life leaders and experts from across the country is an excellent learning opportunity for any pro-life individual. During the three days of the convention, over 100 speakers will educate attendees at over 70 workshops and six large general sessions. Visit www.nrlconvention.com to register today!

The general sessions this year will feature several prominent keynote speakers: Lila Rose, President of Live Action, whose expose on Planned Parenthood stunned the nation; Steven W. Mosher, Population Research Institute



Lila Rose
Live Action President



Msgr. Jim Lisante
Pro-Life Author, Radio & Television Personality



Carol Tobias
National Right to Life President



Steven Mosher
Population Research Institute President

President; Monsignor Jim Lisante, Pro-Life Author and Radio & TV Personality; and Carol Tobias, National Right to Life President.

The National Right to Life Convention is a must for everyone interested in being a part of the nation's most effective pro-life, grassroots network. In addition to the speakers and workshops given on a wide range of vital topics, there is also a concurring National Teens for Life Convention, an annual Prayer Breakfast, several General Sessions, and a Closing Banquet on Saturday night.

To reserve your seat go to www.nrlconvention.com and register for the 2012 National Right to Life Convention.



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Washington County Reinvigorates Chapter

Washington County Right to Life (WCRTL) held a reactivation meeting on March 30th at Gateway Ministries Church in Williamsport, MD. The meeting was attended by 20 people.

Tina Malone, WCRTL President, outlined the vision of the future and described the group's responsibilities as a chapter of Maryland Right to Life. Initial activities will include membership drives, petition project, and educational programs.

Vice President Vicki Herman shared her personal testimony about her abortion and how genuine healing helped her recover from post-abortion syndrome.

Alex Wallace (Secretary) spoke about getting involved as a minority and joining the fight against abortion.

Kim Cubbedge (Treasurer) gave instructions on how to sign up for the activities planned through the year. She spoke about



how each person can make a difference, no matter how small.

Future activities planned by Washington County Right to Life include: a pro-life youth dance, a voter registration drive, a membership drive, a fetal pain petition drive and establishing liaisons with pro-life leaders in local churches.

Cemetery of the Innocents Memorial Project Continues to Grow



Jim McFillin, President of St. Mary's County Right to Life, is continuing to expand his fantastic educational project of placing crosses on church and school lawns in memory of the millions of babies aborted in our nation.

On May 12th, the Knights of Columbus and MDRTL installed the 9th Cemetery of the Innocents for 2012 at St Joseph's Catholic Church in Pomfret, MD (Charles County). Since Jim started the project in 2004, he has supervised the installation of 206 memorials across the state of Maryland.

If you would like to assist with Jim with this project or borrow the crosses for a church or school near you, please contact Jim McFillin at cell: 240-577-2258 or e-mail: stmarys@mdrtl.org.

You can make a difference. Join with millions of Americans who are standing up for innocent human life. Join Maryland Right to Life today!

- Single Adult \$20
- Family \$35
- Student \$10
- Senior \$15

As a member of Maryland Right to Life you will receive 4 newsletters each year, periodic legislative updates, and special notices about pro-life activities.

I would like to make a extra donation to help Maryland Right to Life in the amount of \$_____

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Yes, I would to become more active in Maryland Right to Life. I would like to help with:

- Education projects
- Voter Education
- Assist with membership drives
- Anything that will help the babies
- Fundraising projects
- Lobbying
- Volunteer in the office



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