

“Pro-Choice” Violence and Illegal Activities in Vermont



**Brattleboro
Burlington
Montpelier**

Brattleboro, Vermont

Assault (3 incidents)

The Wisconsin-based Missionaries to the Preborn gathered 80 people in Brattleboro, Vermont, on June 21, 2002, to display large pictures of aborted preborn babies and pass out pro-life literature.

A pro-abortion woman punched one of the pro-lifers, and police said that pro-abortionists Ashley Leone, 20, and Michael Ruggiero, 22, were arrested on a simple assault charge after squirting an "oily household substance" at protesters with squirt guns.

Manchester police said although the protest was orderly, they did receive several complaints from residents, by phone and in person, about the graphic photos displayed by the group, saying they were offensive, and of course because they would shock children.

These are, of course, the same people who have no problem with tearing unborn babies apart.

Reference: Katharine McQuaid. "Pro-Life Protesters Hit NH Streets." *The Union Leader & New Hampshire Sunday News*, June 24, 2002.

Burlington, Vermont

Lewd Behavior

Abortionist Michael Gold simulated masturbating in front of a female pro-lifer as she prayed outside the facility. Another protestor recorded Gold screaming at a pro-life woman "You c—t! F—k you, c—t! You're an ugly f—ing c—t! Did you ever have a pr—k inside you? Did anyone ever f—k you? You're too ugly for anyone to want to f—k!"

The Vermont Medical Board refused to take action, responding that "The authority of the Board ... is

limited by law to allegations of unprofessional conduct as defined in 26 V.S.A. Section 1354," and that therefore no disciplinary action would be taken.

We really have to ask: If this is not "unprofessional conduct," *what is?*

References: Letters to the Vermont Medical Board dated March 11, 1992, September 27, 1992 and January 15, 1993; letter from the Vermont Medical Board dated September 15, 1993.

Montpelier, Vermont

Arson, Fraud and False Reporting

On April 7, 2000, the car of pro-abortion and homosexual activist pastor Dwight Walker was set on fire in the middle of the night during the lengthy debate around the Vermont bill to give homosexuals the same rights as married couples. Homosexuals all over Vermont used this incident as "proof" that homosexuals are persecuted, and claimed that the denial of marriage rights was just another form of persecution.

Finally, Walker admitted that he set the fire himself. "I set the fire because I wanted people to see me as a victim," he told police. *The Boston Globe* reported that he faced charges of third-degree arson, false reports to law enforcement officers and burning to defraud an insurer.

On May 2, 2001, Walker pleaded no contest to the charges of third-degree arson, felony unlawful mischief and making false police reports, and was given a five-year deferred sentence. District Court Judge Howard Van Benthuyzen ordered him to serve 500 hours of community service and donate \$1,000 to the Newport City Fire Department.

This incident occurred at the height of the debate in the legislature over the civil unions law for same-sex couples, and was a deliberate and dishonest attempt to sway public opinion in favor of "gay rights," just as Azalea Cooley did in Portland, Oregon during a heated ballot measure campaign.

Walker, who is "gay," admitted to police he set fire to his leased car parked next door to the Coventry Congregational Church in order to make it look like he was being harassed because of his sexual orientation.

References: "Vermont Gay-Activist Pastor Admits to Torching Own Car." *LifeSite Daily News*, May 3, 2000; "News Briefs: Minister Faked Hate Crime." *Gay People's Chronicle*, May 11, 2001.

— **End of Vermont Listing** —
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