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Summit County Prosecutor Announces Indictment Against Dr. James Bressi

Pain clinic doctor accused of sexually assaulting female patients

AKRON, OHIO – **August 29, 2013** – Summit County Prosecuting Attorney Sherri Bevan Walsh today announced a 23-count indictment against Dr. James Bressi, 59, of Victoria Parkway in Hudson. Dr. Bressi is accused of sexually assaulting female patients he was treating at Summit Pain Specialists in Stow.

The indictment includes:

- Rape, a felony of the first degree
- 11 counts of Gross Sexual Imposition, felonies of the fourth degree
- 11 counts of Sexual Imposition, misdemeanors of the third degree

"These women put their trust and faith in a medical professional to alleviate their pain," said Prosecutor Walsh. "Instead of finding relief from chronic pain, they were sexually assaulted. My office will work to ensure Dr. Bressi is held accountable for his actions."

An arraignment date has not been set.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS COUNTY OF SUMMIT, OHIO

INDICTMENT TYPE: SECRET

CASE NO. 2013-08-2314

INDICTMENT FOR: GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION (6) 2907.05(A)(1) F-4; SEXUAL IMPOSITION (11) 2907.06(A)(1) M-3; RAPE (1) 2907.02(A)(2) F-1; GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION (5) 2907.05(A)(5) F-4;

In the Common Pleas Court of Summit County, Ohio, of the term of JULY in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen,

The Jurors of the Grand Jury of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County aforesaid, being duly impaneled and sworn and charged to inquire of and present all offenses whatever committed within the limits of said County, on their oaths, IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF OHIO,

COUNT ONE

DO FIND AND PRESENT That **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 1st day of March, 2012 through the 30th day of April, 2012, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did purposely cause C.H., not the spouse of the offender, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** purposely compelled such person, or one of the other persons, to submit by force or threat of force, in violation of Section 2907.05(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A FELONY OF THE FOURTH DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

COUNT TWO

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 1st day of March, 2012 through the 30th day of April, 2012, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did cause C.H., not the spouse of **JAMES P. BRESSI**, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** knew that the sexual contact was offensive to the other person, or one of the other persons, or was reckless in that regard, in violation of Section 2907.06(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

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COUNT THREE

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 1st day of May, 2012 through the 30th day of May, 2012, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **RAPE** in that he did engage in sexual conduct with P.B., having purposely compelled P.B. to submit by force or threat of force, in violation of Section 2907.02(A)(2) of the Ohio Revised Code, A FELONY OF THE FIRST DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

COUNT FOUR

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 1st day of May, 2012 through the 30th day of May, 2012, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did purposely cause P.B., not the spouse of the offender, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** purposely compelled such person, or one of the other persons, to submit by force or threat of force, in violation of Section 2907.05(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A FELONY OF THE FOURTH DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the state of Ohio.

COUNT FIVE

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 1st day of May, 2012 through the 30th day of May, 2012, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did cause P.B., not the spouse of **JAMES P. BRESSI** to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** knew that the sexual contact was offensive to the other person, or one of the other persons, or was reckless in that regard, in violation of Section 2907.06(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

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COUNT SIX

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 15th day of May, 2012, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did purposely cause J.T., not the spouse of the offender, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when the ability of such person to resist or consent or the ability of one of the other persons to resist or consent was substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition or because of advanced age, and **JAMES P. BRESSI** knew or had reasonable cause to believe that the ability to resist or consent of such person or of one of the other persons was substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition or because of advanced age, in violation of Section 2907.05(A)(5) of the Ohio Revised Code, A FELONY OF THE FOURTH DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

COUNT SEVEN

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 15th day of May, 2012, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did cause J.T., not the spouse of **JAMES P. BRESSI** to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** knew that the sexual contact was offensive to the other person, or one of the other persons, or was reckless in that regard, in violation of Section 2907.06(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

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COUNT EIGHT

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 19th day of July, 2012, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did purposely cause I.M., not the spouse of the offender, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** purposely compelled such person, or one of the other persons, to submit by force or threat of force, in violation of Section 2907.05(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A FELONY OF THE FOURTH DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

COUNT NINE

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 19th day of July, 2012, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did purposely cause I.M., not the spouse of the offender, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when the ability of such person to resist or consent or the ability of one of the other persons to resist or consent was substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition or because of advanced age, and **JAMES P. BRESSI** knew or had reasonable cause to believe that the ability to resist or consent of such person or of one of the other persons was substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition or because of advanced age, in violation of Section 2907.05(A)(5) of the Ohio Revised Code, A FELONY OF THE FOURTH DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

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COUNT TEN

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 9th day of July, 2012, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did cause I.M., not the spouse of **JAMES P. BRESSI**, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** knew that the sexual contact was offensive to the other person, or one of the other persons, or was reckless in that regard, in violation of Section 2907.06(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

COUNT ELEVEN

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 27th day of October, 2011, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did cause J.G., not the spouse of **JAMES P. BRESSI**, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** knew that the sexual contact was offensive to the other person, or one of the other persons, or was reckless in that regard, in violation of Section 2907.06(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

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COUNT TWELVE

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about December 20, 2011, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did purposely cause W.B., not the spouse of the offender, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** purposely compelled such person, or one of the other persons, to submit by force or threat of force, in violation of Section 2907.05(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A FELONY OF THE FOURTH DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

COUNT THIRTEEN

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that JAMES P. BRESSI on or about December 20, 2011, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION in that he did purposely cause W.B., not the spouse of the offender, to have sexual contact with JAMES P. BRESSI when the ability of such person to resist or consent or the ability of one of the other persons to resist or consent was substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition or because of advanced age, and JAMES P. BRESSI knew or had reasonable cause to believe that the ability to resist or consent of such person or of one of the other persons was substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition or because of advanced age, in violation of Section 2907.05(A)(5) of the Ohio Revised Code, A FELONY OF THE FOURTH DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

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COUNT FOURTEEN

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that JAMES P. BRESSI on or about May 9, 2012, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION in that he did purposely cause W.B., not the spouse of the offender, to have sexual contact with JAMES P. BRESSI when the ability of such person to resist or consent or the ability of one of the other persons to resist or consent was substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition or because of advanced age, and JAMES P. BRESSI knew or had reasonable cause to believe that the ability to resist or consent of such person or of one of the other persons was substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition or because of advanced age, in violation of Section 2907.05(A)(5) of the Ohio Revised Code, A FELONY OF THE FOURTH DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

COUNT FIFTEEN

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about December 20, 2011, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did cause W.B., not the spouse of **JAMES P. BRESSI**, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** knew that the sexual contact was offensive to the other person, or one of the other persons, or was reckless in that regard, in violation of Section 2907.06(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

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COUNT SIXTEEN

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about May 9, 2012, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did cause W.B., not the spouse of **JAMES P. BRESSI**, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** knew that the sexual contact was offensive to the other person, or one of the other persons, or was reckless in that regard, in violation of Section 2907.06(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

COUNT SEVENTEEN

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 19th day of March, 2013, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did purposely cause N.C., not the spouse of the offender, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** purposely compelled such person, or one of the other persons, to submit by force or threat of force, in violation of Section 2907.05(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A FELONY OF THE FOURTH DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

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COUNT EIGHTEEN

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 19th day of March, 2013, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did purposely cause N.C., not the spouse of the offender, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when the ability of such person to resist or consent or the ability of one of the other persons to resist or consent was substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition or because of advanced age, and **JAMES P. BRESSI** knew or had reasonable cause to believe that the ability to resist or consent of such person or of one of the other persons was substantially impaired because of a mental or physical condition or because of advanced age, in violation of Section 2907.05(A)(5) of the Ohio Revised Code, A FELONY OF THE FOURTH DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

COUNT NINETEEN

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 19th day of March, 2013, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did cause N.C., not the spouse of **JAMES P. BRESSI** to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** knew that the sexual contact was offensive to the other person, or one of the other persons, or was reckless in that regard, in violation of Section 2907.06(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

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COUNT TWENTY

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that JAMES P. BRESSI on or about the 19th day of October, 2011, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of SEXUAL IMPOSITION in that he did cause M.M., not the spouse of JAMES P. BRESSI, to have sexual contact with JAMES P. BRESSI when JAMES P. BRESSI knew that the sexual contact was offensive to the other person, or one of the other persons, or was reckless in that regard, in violation of Section 2907.06(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

COUNT TWENTY-ONE

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 17th day of September, 2011, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **GROSS SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did purposely cause A.M., not the spouse of the offender, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** purposely compelled such person, or one of the other persons, to submit by force or threat of force, in violation of Section 2907.05(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A FELONY OF THE FOURTH DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

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COUNT TWENTY-TWO

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 17th day of September, 2011, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did cause A.M., not the spouse of **JAMES P. BRESSI**, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** knew that the sexual contact was offensive to the other person, or one of the other persons, or was reckless in that regard, in violation of Section 2907.06(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

COUNT TWENTY-THREE

And the Grand Jurors of the State of Ohio, within and for the body of the County of Summit aforesaid, on their oaths in the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio, DO FURTHER FIND AND PRESENT, that **JAMES P. BRESSI** on or about the 31st day of May, 2012, in the County of Summit aforesaid, did commit the crime of **SEXUAL IMPOSITION** in that he did cause K.G., not the spouse of **JAMES P. BRESSI**, to have sexual contact with **JAMES P. BRESSI** when **JAMES P. BRESSI** knew that the sexual contact was offensive to the other person, or one of the other persons, or was reckless in that regard, in violation of Section 2907.06(A)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code, A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE, contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Ohio.

SHERRI BEVAN WALSH, Prosecutor/pw
County of Summit, Ohio

Prosecutor, County of Summit, by

Date: 8-27-13

Grand Jury Foreperson/Deputy Foreperson

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