



News Release

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Medical Board of California Revokes Fugitive Plastic Surgeon's License for Committing Fraud

(Sacramento, California.) – The Medical Board of California (Board) has revoked the license of a fugitive Rancho Mirage plastic surgeon who was recently sentenced to 20 years in federal prison for conspiracy to commit mail fraud and making or subscribing to a false tax return.

The revocation of Dr. David Martin Morrow's license is effective on January 12, 2018. On September 2, 2015, a federal grand jury indicted Morrow on 20 counts of mail fraud, four counts of making or subscribing to a false tax return, one count of conspiracy to commit mail fraud, and one count of unlawful disclosure of individually identifiable health information. Morrow signed a plea agreement for the federal case in which he admitted to one count of conspiracy to commit mail fraud and one count of making or subscribing to a false tax return.

Morrow operated the Morrow Institute and Specialty Surgeons, and Stellar Surgeries Specialties, two plastic surgery centers in Rancho Mirage, California. For nearly four years, Morrow billed insurance companies for certain cosmetic surgeries that were falsely described as "medically necessary," in a scheme to obtain money from the insurance companies using false or fraudulent pretenses. The loss to the insurance companies is valued at nearly \$3.5 million.

Morrow was sentenced *in absentia* to a prison term of 20 years to be followed by three years of supervised release, restitution, mental health treatment, outpatient substance abuse treatment, and abstention from the use of alcohol and the unlawful use of controlled substances.

Morrow is a fugitive of the law and anyone with information on his whereabouts is encouraged to contact the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) at (310) 477-6565. The FBI is also searching for Morrow's wife, Linda Morrow, in connection with the scheme.

For more information about Morrow's license revocation, please visit his licensing details page at <https://search.dca.ca.gov/details/8002/C/33963/de83d476c8e2799162ea32a9748f2281>.

For more general information about the Board, please visit the Board's website at mbc.ca.gov.

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Photos Courtesy of the Federal Bureau of Investigations.



David Martin Morrow
AKA: Dovid Meir Ben Devorah
White Male
DOB: 10/3/44 (72 Years Old)
Hair: Grey
Eyes: Brown
Height: 5'11"
Weight: 190
Last Known Place of Residence: Stellar
Drive, Rancho Mirage, CA
Date of DMV Photo: 10/2/15



Linda Blake Morrow
AKA Linda Jean Blake
AKA: Malka Lieba Bat Blima Ettle
White Female
DOB: 6/3/52 (65 Years Old)
Eyes: Blue
Height: 5'6"
Weight: 126
Last Known Place of
Residence: Hermosa Place, Palm
Springs, CA or Stellar Drive, Rancho
Mirage, CA
Date of DMV Photo: 8/18/05