

Pinal County Sheriff's Office

May 13, 2014

Arizona Attorney General's Office Attn: Attorney General Tom Horne 1275 West Washington Street Phoenix, AZ 85007-2926

Re: Alleged Criminal Violations – Planned Parenthood

Dear Attorney General Tom Horne

On March 25th, 2014 the Pinal County Sheriff's Office began a criminal investigation after a witness disclosed numerous allegations of sexual assault committed by Tyler Kost (*age 18 of San Tan Valley*). The investigation has continued to grow as we have identified a total of 18 victims which have resulted in 29 felony charges being filed.

One of the victims and her mother has made a criminal allegation against the Planned Parenthood in Tempe, Arizona. They have alleged, the victim completed an ultrasound at Planned Parenthood on December 31st, 2013 and had an abortion on January 4th, 2014. They informed the counselor at the appointment that the pregnancy was the result of a sexual assault. The counselor (*according to the mother and victim*) coded the sexual assault as consensual. The counselor told them she did not want the hassle of having to report the sexual assault to law enforcement as they were a mandatory reporter.

This allegation is documented on page 20 of the attached probable cause statement and booking paperwork related to the Tyler Kost investigation.

I am asking that your office conduct a criminal investigation into this allegation made by the victim and parent. I have directed Lieutenant Tamatha Villar from my office to assist your office with the victims contact information and anything else you may need from our office to investigate this matter. Lt. Villar is in charge of this investigation and can be reached by phone at 520-866-5009 or email at <u>tamatha.villar@pinalcountyaz.gov</u>.

Respectfully,

Paul Babeu, Sheriff Pinal County, Arizona

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