

Suit filed against Bluffton doctor for alleged sexual assault

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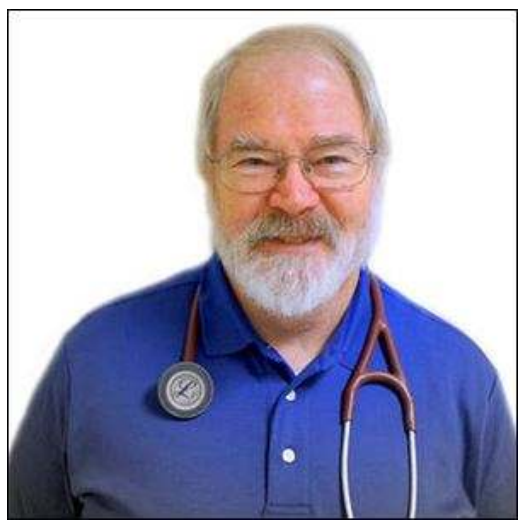


LIMA, Ohio — Three women filed suit against a Bluffton, Ohio doctor alleging repeated sexual assault.

The women filed the lawsuit Monday in Allen County Common Pleas Court, accusing Dr. James Gideon of inappropriately touching them. He also asked they remove their clothes under the guise of legitimate treatment, the lawsuit shows.

Dr. Gideon was a rheumatologist and internal medicine physician at Northwest Ohio Rheumatology, Inc. The State Medical Board suspended his physician's license last month while his case is pending.

The incidents involved five women between September 2013 and May 2017, according to state medical documents.



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