



Cape men charged in gambling probe linked to DA

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A pair of Dennisport men have agreed to plead guilty to operating an illegal gambling business and conspiring to obstruct a state police investigation that involved Cape and Islands District Attorney Michael O'Keefe.

The men have agreed to cooperate with the ongoing investigation, which involves a state "elected law enforcement official" who tipped one of the men off to the probe, according to documents released today by United States Attorney Carmen Ortiz. O'Keefe said in an interview today that he is not the elected law enforcement official referenced in the documents.

Adam Hart, 84, and William Neofotistos, 60, both of Dennisport and Timothy Reardon, 32, of Barnstable allegedly operated an illegal gambling business from about 2000 through 2009, according to a press release from Ortiz's office.

Reardon has agreed to plead guilty to the illegal gambling charge but is not charged with conspiracy, according to the press release.

In addition to pleading guilty and cooperating with the investigation the men have agreed to forfeit nearly \$770,000, according to Ortiz's office.

Hart is the owner of the Ocean House restaurant in Dennisport. In 2008 he approached O'Keefe about a pending case against his grandson, O'Keefe said last year.

The conversation between the two men caused off-Cape law enforcement officials who were investigating Hart for illegal betting to look at how his office handled the case, O'Keefe said.

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