

## **McVeigh's Sister Alleges Pressure Says FBI Used Fear Tactics**

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Jennifer McVeigh says FBI agents used fear tactics and showed her pictures of burned, dead children to pressure her into talking about her brother's alleged role in the Oklahoma City bombing, Time magazine reports in its current issue on newsstands today.

"They played a lot of games with me, a lot of things to get me talking. They totally broke me down. I thought I could handle it on my own. I guess I couldn't . . . I didn't have time to think things out. It was constant pressure altogether," she told Time.

Timothy J. McVeigh and Terry Nichols were indicted last week in the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building that killed 168 people. Their former Army buddy, Michael Fortier, pleaded guilty to lesser charges and will testify against them.

Although Time said Ms. McVeigh, 21, of Pendleton remains "fiercely loyal" to her brother, she provided federal prosecutors two typewritten statements about his activities.

The magazine interviewed Ms. McVeigh and her father, William, also of Pendleton, after agreeing not to ask questions about their grand jury testimony and details of McVeigh's past.

Ms. McVeigh told Time, "They put me and my mother in this room with all these huge posters with my name and a picture all blown up with all these possible charges against me . . . like life imprisonment, death penalty and this and that. My mother was in tears when we walked away; they just crushed her."

The magazine noted that federal authorities have made no suggestions that Ms. McVeigh knew about the bombing beforehand or took part in it.

A spokesman at FBI headquarters in Washington had no comment on Time's report.