

**MICHAEL BERG, Delaware
Father of Nicholas Berg, murdered
in Iraq in 2004**

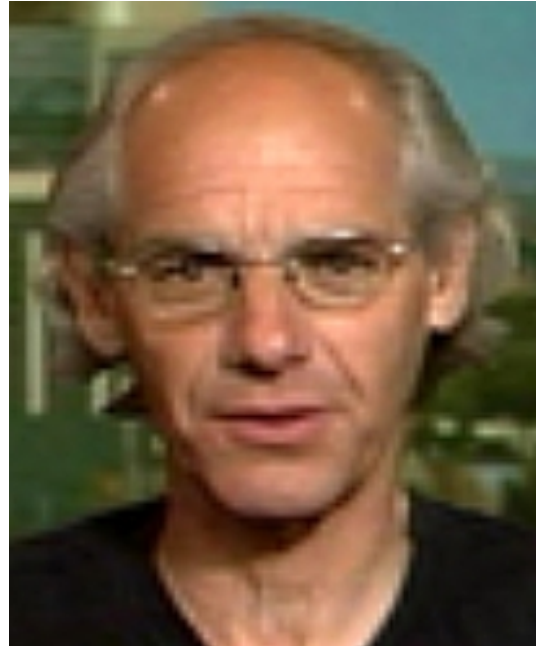
Michael Berg's 26-year-old son Nick, an American businessman working in Iraq, was beheaded there in 2004 – a much-publicized killing that was shown on videotape throughout the world. The man believed to be responsible for the beheading, Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, was killed during a U.S. airstrike in June 2006.

In addition to speaking out against violence in general, Michael Berg has made statements against the death penalty in particular on local panels and at protests, and he recently traveled to Pennsylvania with a group of victims' family members who were meeting with the governor's office to discuss the issue of the death penalty.

"Having lost my son in Iraq, I've become even more sensitized to the awfulness of the waste of human life, and I've become far more active against the idea of using violence to solve problems that should be solved in other ways. I fear that Zarqawi's death will re-ignite yet another wave of revenge. As long as people use violence to combat violence, we will always have violence."

Links to more information:
<http://www.cnn.com/2006/WORLD/meast/06/08/berg.interview/>
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