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All Elections Great and Small

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The need for Americans to vote pro-life on every level of government has never been more essential than now in a post-Roe environment.

I've often said I wouldn't vote a dogcatcher into office unless he or she was pro-life. Why?

First, we can no longer assume that even the most unsuspecting position will not in some way impact abortion. Second, every elected official climbs his or her own political ladder of success. How high they reach depends upon a multitude of factors.

An example of this is former President Barack Obama. He began as a community organizer and then ran for the Illinois State Senate. After which he set his sights on the US Senate which served as an effective catalyst for becoming President of the United States. Obama's policies greatly damaged our nation during his two terms in the Oval Office.

State Attorneys General

After the demise of *Roe v Wade*, it has become apparent that lesser-observed races have significantly increased in importance to enforcing pro-life laws in many states.

Since the *Dobbs* ruling, a scourge of Soros-supported or Soros-style candidates for attorney general have [announced](#) they will not enforce pro-life laws if elected or re-elected. These rogue AGs are not only in blue states. This political line has been drawn in the sand in the battleground states of Arizona, Georgia, Michigan, and Wisconsin with candidates

who have promised to ignore pro-life laws pitted against those who have pledged to enforce them.

It is reported there are 30 state attorney general posts up for election this year. Included in those are 12 pro-abortion incumbents. It is revealing that tens of millions of dollars will be spent on these races.



Underscoring the importance of this office, the US Supreme Court recently [ruled](#) that Kentucky Attorney General Daniel Cameron could defend the state's pro-life legislation in court when pro-abortion Governor Andy Beshear refused to do so. House Bill 454 ends brutal live dismemberment abortions.

District Attorneys

It's not just attorney general races that are now on the political radar. Pro-abortion district attorneys in Arizona, Georgia, Louisiana, Michigan, Tennessee, Texas and Wisconsin have gone on [record](#) that they will not enforce pro-life laws. It should be noted that these states are not blue but red or purple political battlegrounds.

Mayors, City Councils, Prosecutors

In addition, pro-abortion city council members, mayors, and county prosecutors, known as the gatekeepers of the criminal justice system, have taken upon themselves which laws will be enforced or ignored. This has prompted Texas State Representative Briscoe Cain to introduce a bill in next year's legislative session that will allow district attorneys to prosecute abortion violations even if they are outside their jurisdiction.

Rogue elected officials have planted their flags on the wrong mountain. Instead of honoring the oath they took to protect those victimized by crime, they have chosen instead to

represent the criminals.

American citizens are not totally without options to respond to rogue elected officials. Pro-life Governor Ron DeSantis provided an example for others to follow. Earlier this year DeSantis signed a law ending late-term abortion after 15 weeks. The state had become the late-term abortion destination of America's southeast.


Responding to a defiant elected official, the Governor's office stated, "We are suspending Soros-backed 13th circuit state attorney Andrew Warren for neglecting



Gov. Ron DeSantis

his duties as he pledges not to uphold the laws of the state." The Governor said, "We are not going to allow this pathogen that's been around the country of ignoring the law. We are not going to let that get a foothold here in the state of Florida."

The Governor's courage aside, voters have limited options to oust rogue elected officials, so making sure we vote only for pro-life candidates at all levels of service is vitally important to saving innocent human life.

Remember the dogcatcher. 

You Can Make a Difference

Now that *Roe v Wade* has been overturned, you may be asking, "Where do we go from here?" or "What can I do to help save babies?"

Here are some simple and practical ways you can make a real difference in saving unborn babies.

Prayer is essential – a gift worth more than gold. Work into your daily schedule a time dedicated to prayer for the end of abortion.

Financial help is also essential. In this post-Roe environment, never in the history of the pro-life movement have we had such opportunities to save babies. The other side wins only if they can keep Americans in the dark about what abortion does to babies and the devastation it inflicts on the parents. This means pro-life education is more important than ever before. Please consider a generous [donation](#) to assist our life-saving efforts.

In this age of social media, it has never been easier to educate yourself on critical life issues. Subscribe to our



weekly blog, [The Latest](#), that will bring you knowledge and information you aren't likely to find elsewhere. Subscribe to our daily brief radio commentaries called [Life Issues](#). Brad packs a ton of information into these daily messages. Each will keep you abreast of the latest happenings. Perfect for sharing on social media.

This digital age is a great way to share pro-life news, stories, images, blogs, and videos. Regularly share effective messaging or post your own creations and articles. You might surprise yourself!

Churches can play a crucial role helping women and men say no to abortion. They can also minister to those who have tragically chosen abortion. Pastors can also encourage abstinence and help those who've fallen to temptation to choose life for

their babies. Visit our [Church Pro-Life Resources page](#) where you'll find simple, easy-to-use tools to educate, motivate and activate your church to save babies.

The [Precious Feet](#) pins are identical in shape and size to a ten-week unborn baby. They invite questions and discussion

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about the humanity of the unborn child. My colleague, Dr. Willke, was questioned by a female security agent about his feet pin while going through security at the Washington, DC airport. After explaining the meaning, he took the pin off and gave it to her. She was actually scheduled for an abortion, but that little pin changed her mind and saved her baby. Don't underestimate the power of education. We win if we prevent the abortion industry from hiding the reality of abortion.

Pledge to vote only for pro-life candidates no matter what office or level of service. Remember the dogcatcher.

[Contact](#) your US Senators and Representatives when legislation concerning life issues is before Congress. And [contact](#) your local and state legislators. You can find links at our website by searching "Contact Your Legislators."



As states end the practice of abortion, the demand on the resources of pro-life pregnancy centers dramatically increases. Donate baby and maternity clothes, diapers, toys, and other baby items. Organize a diaper drive by asking your church and others to collect them for your local center. Volunteer at a center. [Find one near you](#) at OptionLine.org.


Show your love and concern to someone who has lost a baby to miscarriage or abortion or has placed a baby for adoption by sending a personal note.

Join a pro-life club at your school or university, or [start one](#).

Arrange for a pro-life speaker to do a presentation at your church or civic group.

Become a liaison between your church and a local pro-life group.

Volunteer your professional services to a pro-life organization.

These are just some of the ways you can make a difference in saving innocent human life. **You can find more [ideas](#) at our website. Do a word search for "How I Can Help."** 

Google Censors Life Issues Institute

To capitalize on America's fixation with the Supreme Court, Life Issues Institute kicked off a months-long, two-phase digital educational campaign. Over 10,000 people were watching our videos each day!

Then the Supreme Court document leaked May 5. On May 6 video views dropped from 10,000 to under 4,000, the day after down to 2,221 and averaged approximately 2,500 thereafter.

Google was shadow banning us. **The experienced professional placing the videos for us said it was the most blatant case of censorship he had ever seen.** It was particularly disturbing because he had literally spent weeks jumping through Google's hoops to ensure that each video qualified as "eligible," and that Life Issues Institute was "certified" to run abortion ads.

All that changed with the apparent demise of Roe.


Google's claws came out and quietly throttled our campaign, hoping we wouldn't notice.

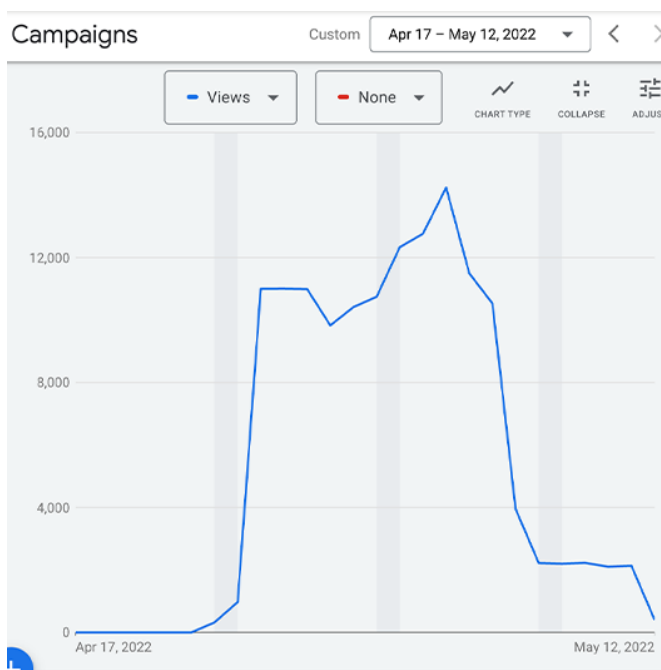
They were quick to censor the video they thought was most effective for our side – a woman describing her late-term

abortion and its devastating impact on her life. Google claimed our ads advocated "speculative and experimental medical treatment." In spite of winning against that claim, behind the scenes Google made sure the video failed to generate any impressions.

Advocates of unrestrained abortion lack persuasive arguments, so they use fearmongering, lies and censorship. But Life Issues Institute will not be silenced! Pro-life education is absolutely critical in a post-Roe era and we will continue to lead the way.

Watch the videos that Google won't let you see.

[Phase 1](#) and [Phase 2](#). 





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Pro-Life Doctors in Biden's Crosshairs

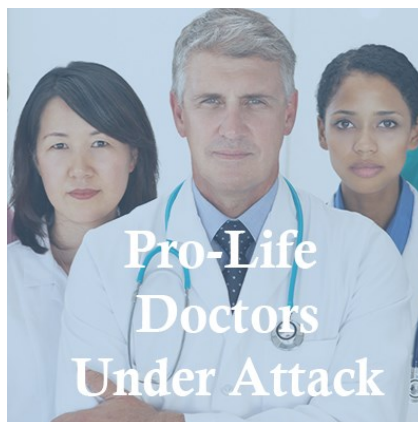
There is a multipronged attack by abortion advocates to expand their arsenal of abortionists, even at the expense of the constitutional rights of pro-life physicians.

The Biden administration is using Obamacare to force pro-life doctors to participate in abortion or suffer career-ending consequences. Biden has proposed a rule change under Obamacare that would classify abortion as "healthcare." Those who refuse to provide abortion services would be guilty of sex discrimination. This also places hospitals at risk if they refuse to perform abortions.

Piling on, the rigidly pro-abortion American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology, claiming abortion is an "essential" part of so-called "reproductive health," is threatening to decertify physicians who provide "misinformation and disinformation" regarding

abortion to their patients.

Dr. Donna Harrison, CEO of the American Association of Pro-Life Obstetricians and Gynecologists, responded with the threat of a lawsuit. She stated that tens of thousands of OBGYN's would be at risk for sharing peer-reviewed, evidence-based facts concerning abortion with their patients.



The abortion industry is facing a shrinking population of abortionists and the demise of Roe will significantly impact the number of them in training. According to the journal Obstetrics & Gynecology, "43.9% of [OB/GYN] residents currently train in states predicted to outlaw abortion." As a result, the abortion industry is desperate to expand its pool, even when it tramples the rights of pro-life doctors. The zealous pro-

abortion advocacy of President Biden has put them at a high risk of losing their rights. 