

# The Eye on Abortion

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## USED AND ABUSED: HOW WOMEN ARE MISTREATED BY THE ABORTION INDUSTRY PART 1

Dear Concerned Friends,

**Are females being duped into abortion, even though it could have serious physical and psychological ramifications?** Abortion takes the life of an unborn child, which should be enough for us to declare it unethical, and it is. However, the pro-abortion camp has made a point of avoiding discussion about the *unborn*, and rather, has carefully framed the issue around the *woman* aborting. They say that it is the woman that matters most to them, that they truly care about her, and that she should not be denied her "right to choose." Really? The fact of the matter is that many pro-aborts, abortionists, and abortion clinic staff *do not* seem to care about the well being of the woman aborting. How can I say that?

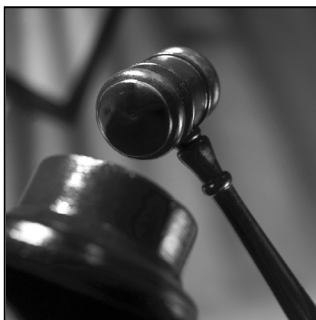
When a bill is introduced, such as the "Women's Right to Know" bill, which requires abortion clinics to present information to their clients regarding the growth of unborn babies, abortion procedures, and possible risks to women's health, do pro-aborts support the bill? No, they fight it fiercely. They prefer to leave women in the dark concerning the basic facts regarding how abortion affects women, and what really happens to their babies during abortions. Why? **Because when women are informed of the facts they are less likely to abort, and that means less money for the abortion industry.**

Not only do abortionists detest the idea of *offering* women facts, they also *lie* to them on a regular basis about the facts. And a recent court ruling only encourages such behavior.

### COURT RULES THAT ABORTIONISTS CAN LIE TO CLIENTS

In September, in a 5-0 decision, the New Jersey Supreme Court ruled that abortionists do not have to tell their clients that the thing being aborted is a human being, *even when asked*.

Rosa Acuna sued abortion practitioner Sheldon Turkish for falsely telling her that she was not aborting a human life before receiving an abortion from him in 1996.



Acuna had a kidney disorder making her pregnancy difficult, and Turkish advised her to have an abortion. Turkish also performed the abortion, but prior to the procedure **Acuna asked if "the baby was already there" and Turkish said that it was "nothing but some blood."** Acuna was hospitalized weeks later for an incomplete abortion, and a nurse told her that Turkish had left parts of her six to eight week-old unborn child inside her.

Acuna sued Turkish, saying the abortion caused her psychological trauma including depression, post-traumatic stress disorder, and psychosexual dysfunction. She also filed a wrongful death claim. The New Jersey Supreme Court ruled that Turkish did *not* have to tell Acuna that the *life inside of her was a human being who would be killed* during the abortion, and speedily dismissed her claims against him.

Justice Barry Albin wrote for the court, "We know of no common law duty requiring a physician to instruct the woman that the embryo is an 'existing human being,' and suggesting that an abortion is tantamount to murder." **Albin proceeded to say that the statement that an abortion kills a human being "has no broad support in either the medical community or society."**

Acuna told LifeNews, "The right to choose has no meaning if it is not a right to make an informed choice." Acuna's attorney, Harold Cassidy, called the high court's decision "a departure from the existing law that places a premium on the need to give information to a woman that she wants to know in order to preserve her autonomy in matters so deeply personal to her."

In a deposition, Turkish admitted to regularly telling women who are pregnant that their unborn babies, early on in pregnancy, are "nothing but some tissue." Acuna appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court, but to no avail. They declined to hear the case, offering no reason why.



Is this not a travesty of justice? Apparently if a female wants to know the facts, she has to get them *before* entering the abortion clinic doors! **To deceive women into making a choice they would not have made otherwise, especially when it involves killing their children, is not only unfair, it is cruel. It is anti-choice and anti-rights.** For Justice Albin to say that the statement that abortion kills a human being "has no broad support in either the medical community or society" is simply a bald-faced lie that is contrary to well known medical facts and public opinion. For example, the textbook *Langman's Medical Embryology*, states, "The development of a human being begins

with fertilization..."<sup>1</sup> Additionally, the medical textbook *Human Embryology*, says "...the male and female sex cells or gametes, which will unite at fertilization to initiate the embryonic development of a new individual."<sup>2</sup> Shame on Albin, and the rest of the court, for abusing their power by ignoring obvious, proven, scientific facts in order to push their own agendas.

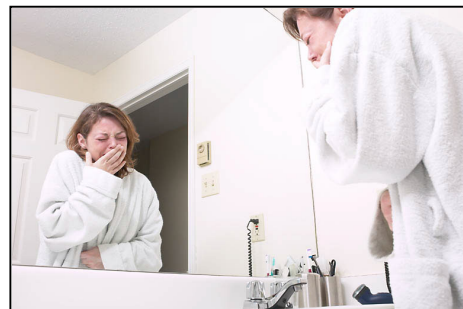
Lies are not the worst of it. Some abortion clinics also cover up other dark evils in order to continue to pull in the almighty dollar.

## WHEN YOU THINK HEARTLESS, THINK PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Planned Parenthood (PP) has never been known for their upstanding morals...how could they when their goal is killing babies? But lately there have been so many reports about PP covering up various rape and incest incidents that it makes my head spin and my stomach queasy.

Below are some recent stories that can be found on LifeNews.com:

- **Lebanon, OH** – A teenager is suing a Cincinnati PP for **failing to report the sexual abuse she suffered at the hands of her father**. The unnamed teenager was forced by her father to get an abortion in November 2004, and at that time she reported the incest to PP. PP covered it up, and the teen continued to be raped by her father for another 18 months. Authorities say the girl was forced to sleep with her father from age 13 to 18. She discussed the abuse with her coach, who then reported it to the authorities. Her father was convicted of sexual abuse and imprisoned for five years.
- **Cincinnati, OH** – **A 14-year-old girl was raped and PP performed a secret abortion on her**. Her parents are suing PP for violating the state's parental notification law, and not telling them about the abortion, which may have been coerced.
- **Los Angeles, CA** – Lila Rose, a UCLA student, posed as a pregnant 15 year-old and entered a Santa Monica PP. Recording the entire conversation, she told the clinic staff that a 23 year-old man had gotten her pregnant. In response, they told her that if she were 16 or older they would not have to report the statutory rape. **The staff proceeded to encourage her to "figure out a birth-date that works" in order to move forward with the abortion** and avoid getting the man in



<sup>1</sup> *Langman's Medical Embryology*, 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, T.W. Sadler, Ph.D., Williams and Wilkins, 1995, p.3

<sup>2</sup> *Human Embryology*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, William J. Larsen, Churchill Livingstone, 2001, p. 1

trouble with the police. Her counselor, Ann Brooks, also advised her to use Medi-Cal to fund the abortion with taxpayer funds. Brooks said, "I have a place I can send you where they will get you signed up for Medi-Cal coverage and they just don't ask." Referring to Rose's baby as "**a collection of cells,**" Brooks also majored on the negatives of pregnancy saying, "Most of the students I talk to terminate their pregnancies," pointing out that Rose should expect "physical difficulties" during pregnancy and the "embarrassment of your classmates." "UCLA doesn't support people who are pregnant and make things easier for them necessarily," Brooks said.

#### Other Abortion Clinics...

- **Kansas City, KS – An 11 year-old girl became pregnant after suffering ongoing sexual abuse from her stepfather, Robert Estrada.** Abortionist Sherman Zaremski performed an abortion on her at the now closed Central Women's Services in Wichita. **Then he sent her back to her depraved stepfather who continued to sexually abuse her and her sister,** altogether for several years. The abuse resulted in four pregnancies, and the young girl later gave birth to twins on her 12<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- **New Haven, CT – A 14-year-old girl was impregnated three times in six months by her 22 year-old boyfriend, and received three abortions as a result. The girl's mother forced her to get the abortions, and the abortion facilities failed to report the statutory rape to authorities.** Authorities were only alerted and began investigating when the mother contacted them.

## THE MEDIA ♥S ABORTION

These types of incidents happen all of the time. Haven't heard about them on the local or national news? That just shows you how pro-abortion the media really is! I cannot proceed without touching on media bias at this point. If they ever report on stories like these, they give it such a liberal slant that it skews the story completely, making pro-lifers (aka-"abortion foes") out to be irrational fanatics, and abortion clinic staff out to be brave heroes, standing up for women's rights, no matter how difficult abortion foes make it.

Recently in Kansas, Johnson County District Attorney Phil Kline filed **107 charges against PP** (including 23 felony charges), charging that its clinic in Overland Park performed unlawful late-term abortions. Kansas state law holds that late-term abortions are only allowed on viable babies if two doctors attest that the abortion is necessary for the woman's physical or mental health.

The 23 felony counts allege that PP submitted false "pregnancy termination reports" to a court on August 21 after receiving a subpoena for the clinic's records. District Court Judge James S. Vano agreed there was probable cause to believe crimes had been committed and set a court date for November 16. PP faces more than \$2.5 million in potential fines!

This story was reported in *GQ* magazine, where Phil Kline was bashed as the man "who will do anything to stop abortion," while Peter Brownlie, representing PP, was permitted to make the ludicrous claim that, "**PP, by its efforts to prevent unintended pregnancies, has prevented more abortions than any anti-abortion group that has ever existed. They talk. We do.**"



Brownlie is saying that PP is helping curb the very problem that PP is *also* the main perpetrator of! As if PP has ever done anything to try to *reduce* abortions! That would defeat their purpose! **PP exists to give abortions, make money, and promote premarital sex** (just look at their website!). Even if they did "prevent unintended pregnancies," thus reducing abortions, they still council every pregnant girl who is unfortunate enough to walk through their doors to *abort*. That is not something they should receive a medal for any time soon.

When pro-aborts are under fire, the media takes rabbit trails and attacks pro-lifers instead of addressing the issue at hand, which in this case is PP's alleged criminal actions. You can bet that if the tables were turned and the 107 criminal charges were filed against a *pro-life* group that the media would not attack the DA who filed the charges, and that it would be the top story for at least a week on MSNBC!

In response to the case above, Dr. David Stevens, the head of the Christian Medical Association, asks, "Why does the abortion industry remain the most unregulated medical operation in this country? Is political correctness stifling investigations and enforcement of the law? **If just 29 records from one PP abortion clinic in Kansas have produced 107 criminal charges, isn't it possible that similar abuses are also occurring at the other 860 PP facilities nationwide?** With our tax dollars supporting PP, the public has a right to know."

The media not only fails to properly report the criminal acts of PP and other abortion clinics; they also fail to correctly (if ever) report the deaths of women that occur due to abortions.

On September 13<sup>th</sup>, 22 year-old Laura Smith hemorrhaged to death after receiving a botched abortion from Rapin Osathanondh at the Women's Health Center in Hyannis, Massachusetts. Smith's adoptive mother, Eileen, filed a legal complaint with the Barnstable Superior Court in early October, seeking her daughter's abortion records so she could take legal action against Osathanonsh.

Eileen had met with Osathanonsh 10 days after Laura's death. It was at that time she saw her daughter's records, was disturbed by what she saw, and decided to file a complaint. At their one-hour meeting, **Osathanondh admitted that the abortion killed Laura, but wouldn't take responsibility.**

Smith said of the matter, "My daughter walked into that office healthy and she left dead. I don't want her death to be in vain." The court has since determined that Osathanondh must turn the records over to her.

Eileen was shocked that her daughter's death received no news coverage at all until the *Times* finally ran a story **five weeks after her death** with the headline, "**Parents search for clues in daughter's unexplained death.**" That is not even liberal media spin, that is an outright lie! How infuriating that must have been for Eileen, and the rest of Laura's family, to see that article, knowing what the truth was! But that is the media for you...if they do report on a story like that, they will cover for the abortionist every time.

Please pray that the truth about what the abortion industry is doing to women, men, and their babies, would come into the light. Pray that the media would stop covering for abortionists, and start reporting truth concerning stories like you read above. If enough light could be shed on this money hungry industry of death, people would revolt against it! Most of all, please pray that the hearts and minds of Americans would come to see the unborn as precious, and actively stand to protect them, instead of passively standing by while they are legally killed. Oh! if people would only stop and think of what the most helpless among us are suffering...

Next time we will take a deeper look into the physical risks abortion poses for women and post-abortion trauma, which PP claims is a figment of pro-lifer's imaginations. But are they right?

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