

**APPLICATION REQUESTING AN EXEMPTION FROM
SOURCE OF FUNDING DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS**

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The regulations governing a Client Filer's obligation to disclose sources of funding are contained in 19 NYCRR Part 938. These regulations provide that a Client Filer may seek an exemption from the source of funding disclosure requirements. Part 938.4 sets forth the applicable standards upon which an exemption shall be granted by the Joint Commission on Public Ethics. In addition to completing this form, please review the procedures to apply for an exemption in Part 938.5.

**ALL CLIENT FILERS SEEKING AN EXEMPTION TO THE SOURCE OF FUNDING
DISCLOSURE OBLIGATIONS MUST FILL OUT THIS FORM.**

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1. Client Filer is an IRC §501(c)(4) organization seeking an exemption from disclosing all Sources pursuant to 19 NYCRR Part 938.4(b), which requires a showing that the Client Filer's "primary activities involve areas of public concern that create a substantial likelihood that disclosure of ... its Sources will cause harm, threats, harassment or reprisals to the Sources or individuals or property affiliated with the Sources."

or

2. Client Filer is seeking an exemption for a Source, Sources, or class of Sources pursuant to 19 NYCRR Part 938.4(a), which requires a showing by "clear and convincing evidence that disclosure of the Source [or Sources] will cause a substantial likelihood of harm, threats, harassment or reprisals to the Source or individuals or property affiliated with the Source [or Sources]." _____

All Client Filers must submit, with this form, a letter addressed to the Commission requesting an exemption and setting forth in detail why the applicable regulatory standard (19 NYCRR Part 938.4(a) or (b)) has been met.

- All information in support of the exemption request must be submitted together with the letter.
- The letter must also contain the following signed declaration: "I declare that the information contained in this application is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief."

All information submitted in support of an exemption will be made publicly available and discussed in the Public Session of the Commission's meeting. The only exception to this rule is information for which the Commission has granted a Client Filer's request for confidential treatment.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR CLIENT FILERS SEEKING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT
OF INFORMATION SUBMITTED IN SUPPORT OF AN EXEMPTION**

Pursuant to 19 NYCRR Part 938.8, a request for confidential treatment of information may only be granted by the Commission upon a showing of particular circumstances, such as when the information would reveal an ongoing investigation by a governmental body that has not been made public, or information that, if revealed, would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Please indicate if the Client Filer is requesting, pursuant to 19 NYCRR Part 938.8, that specific information submitted in support of the exemption be treated as confidential. _____

Procedure for a Client Filer Requesting Confidential Treatment of Certain Information.

1. In a separate letter, indicate precisely what material is the subject of the confidentiality request and set forth, in detail, why such material is entitled to be treated as confidential pursuant to Part 938.8.
2. Provide two copies of the material for which confidentiality is requested.
 - One copy of the material must be in an un-redacted form.
 - The second copy of the material must include any proposed redactions. The redacted version of the material is the version that, should the Commission grant the confidentiality request, will be made publicly available (together with the material for which no confidential treatment has been requested).

Generally, proposed redactions should only include personal information which, because of a name, number, symbol, mark or other identifier, can be used to identify a person, such as an address, telephone number, birth date, or social security number. If the Client Filer is unable to submit a redacted version that adequately preserves the requested confidentiality, provide a detailed explanation setting forth the reasons why the material in its entirety should remain confidential.

Impact of a Grant or Denial by the Commission of a Confidentiality Request.

- If the Commission *grants* the confidentiality request, the material that is the subject of the request will be considered by the Commission in an Executive Session that is closed to the public. All other material, and the Client Filer's application for an exemption from the source of funding disclosure requirements as a whole, will be made publicly available and considered by the Commission in a Public Session.
- If the Commission *denies* the confidentiality request, the Client Filer has two options. Indicate below whether the Client Filer elects Option A or Option B (*choose only one*):
 - (A) The material that is the subject of the confidentiality request that was rejected by the Commission will remain confidential and will not be considered by the Commission when evaluating the application for exemption. _____
 - or
 - (B) The material that is the subject of the confidentiality request that was rejected by the Commission will be made *publicly available, in an un-redacted and complete form (or with redactions made by the Commission in its discretion)*, and will be considered by the Commission in the Public Session when evaluating the application for an exemption. _____



Family Planning Advocates of New York State

July 13, 2015

Letizia Tagliaferro
New York State Joint Commission on Public Ethics
540 Broadway
Albany, NY 12207

Re: Request for Exemption from Source of Funding Disclosure

Dear Ms. Tagliaferro:

Family Planning Advocates of New York (FPA) writes to seek an exemption from disclosing all of its sources of funding pursuant to 19 NYCRR 938.4(b).

FPA was granted an exemption from the source of funding requirement in July 2014 in an appeal following a denial by the Commission. In the appeal decision, the judicial hearing officer concluded that the exemption must be granted as “the evidence in the record shows that there was ‘a substantial likelihood of harm, threats, harassment [and] reprisals’ to the ‘Client Filer’ [Appellant] and to ‘individuals [and] property affiliated with the ... Client Filer.’ ” Materials that comprise FPA’s 2014 exemption request, appeal and appeal ruling are included as Attachment A.¹

FPA is once again seeking to obtain an exemption from disclosing all of its sources of funding as it believes there continues to be a substantial likelihood that disclosure would subject FPA or its sources of funding to harm, threats, harassment or reprisals.

FPA’s Primary Activities Involve Areas of Public Concern

FPA is a 501(c)(4) organization whose primary activities involve the advancement of reproductive rights, including access to contraception and abortion and the right of individuals to access the comprehensive range of reproductive health care services, including abortion. FPA’s members include the state’s family planning providers, including the state’s nine Planned Parenthood affiliates. The Planned Parenthood affiliates are both members and donors to FPA. Many of FPA’s members, including all of the Planned Parenthood members, are providers of abortion services. The issues of abortion and contraception are the subjects of significant public concern and debate. For example, a search of the New York Times for articles containing the

¹ FPA is including supporting materials with home addresses of individuals redacted as they were considered in this form by the Commission in 2014.

word “abortion” over the past 12 months brings up 1,616 articles. Similarly, a search for articles containing the word “contraception” over the previous 12 months brings up 315 articles. A search on Google, for the word “abortion” brings up 59 million hits. Additionally, the majority, if not every, candidate campaigning for the next Presidential election has taken a position on the subject of abortion.

Planned Parenthood organizations in particular, are undeniably the subject and targets of significant public debate, and all too frequently, Planned Parenthood and the people affiliated with it, are the subjects and targets of abortion opposition activity which is frequently of a harassing and threatening nature.

FPA’s July 2014 exemption request provided a clear illustration of the threats and harassment Planned Parenthood organizations, abortion providers and those who support or are affiliated with them experience both here in New York and across the nation.

In 2014 FPA listed numerous incidents of threats and harassment experienced by Planned Parenthood health centers in New York. The 2014 exemption application also provided details on the significant history of harm, threats and harassment that abortion providers and supporters have experienced over the last several decades. For example, the National Abortion Federation reports that since 1977 incidents against abortion providers include 8 murders, 17 attempted murders, 42 bombings, and 181 arsons.²

As described in the 2014 exemption application, included as Attachment 1, the potential of harm to abortion providers has been recognized in a number of tribunals, as justification for keeping information related to abortion providers confidential. For example, the New York State Department of Health has refused to provide detailed information on abortion providers because of the possibility the information could endanger the lives or safety of those individuals. See NYS DOH FOIL Appeal letter included in Attachment 1. This letter also discusses other similar determinations that have recognized the potential harm of disclosing detailed information about those involved with abortion, including decisions that upheld the redaction of the name and addresses of businesses and individuals involved in the manufacture and distribution of medications that are used to terminate pregnancy.

FPA does not feel that the climate surrounding abortion has in any way changed in the time since it was last granted an exemption from disclosing its sources of funding. As documented below, abortion providers in New York State and across the country continue to experience the same types of threats, harassment and reprisals as they have in previous years.

FPA’s member Planned Parenthood organizations and other providers of abortion services in New York continue to experience incidents of threats and harassment.

- In October of 2014 a Planned Parenthood health center in Long Island reported that a woman came to the health center and told staff she was there to make a citizen’s arrest because the health center “murders children”. The same woman came back to the health

² Available at: http://prochoice.org/wp-content/uploads/Stats_Table_2014.pdf

center two days later and made threatening comments to staff. The local police were contacted.

- On October 3, 2014 a backpack was discovered abandoned less than 100 feet from a Planned Parenthood health center in Greece, New York. The location of the backpack was near a site where anti-abortion protesters frequently protested. Due to concerns about the backpack's proximity to Planned Parenthood, the health center was evacuated and police detonated the backpack. It was found to contain anti-abortion literature. See attached police incident report. Since that incident, the health center reports an increase in the number of protesters near its site. (See Attachment 2)
- In March of 2015 a physician employed by a New York Planned Parenthood received a package – addressed to the physician –containing a pair of plastic handcuffs. Many other Planned Parenthood affiliates across the country also received packages containing plastic handcuffs around the same time.
- Several months after the backpack incident in Greece, New York, the same health center found a plastic bag containing anti-abortion literature and materials inside the vestibule of the health center. It is not known who left the bag in the vestibule.
- One Planned Parenthood affiliate in New York has repeatedly found anti-abortion literature in the magazine racks which are located in the health center entry area, indicating that anti-abortion protesters consistently trespass on the site.
- This spring, over a course of several weeks, a Planned Parenthood which operates a rape crisis program received a series of calls from an untraceable number that escalated from prank questions to threatening messages made against the health center's physician. Messages included a mention of bombs. These incidents have been reported to the FBI.
- The website abortiondocs.org, as in 2014, continues to post a listing of abortion clinics that includes addresses and photos of clinics and photos of physicians who provide abortion.

Similar to the experiences reported by FPA's New York members, Planned Parenthood health centers, supporters of abortion rights, and entities with even a remote connection to Planned Parenthood from across the country continue to experience harassment and threats.

As discussed in the articles included in Attachment 3 and below, individuals and organizations with connections that range from supporter to business contractors have experienced threats and harassment because of connections and affiliations similar to those of FPA:

- In January of 2015, a Wichita, Kansas church whose parish hall was the location of a fundraiser for Planned Parenthood in honor of the Supreme Court case *Roe v Wade* experienced a spate of harassment. Although the church was not the sponsor of the fundraiser it was subjected to extensive harassment. Its Facebook page was inundated with condemning messages, harassing emails were received and harassing messages were left on the answering machine.

- When a Planned Parenthood began the process to construct a new health center in New Orleans, Louisiana, abortion opponents engaged in numerous activities to harass supporters of the new health center and to prevent the construction, including:
 - The Archdiocese of New Orleans threatened potential construction contractors with blacklisting from any Archdiocese future contracts if they worked on the Planned Parenthood construction project.
 - A Unitarian Church that held a fundraiser for the project had their worship services interrupted by protesters who came into the church and started chanting that Church members' children were going to Hell. At the same time, other protesters were holding posters with gory images of bloody fetuses up to the Church's daycare center while Church members' children were present.

Organizations and individuals that advocate on behalf of, support or provide reproductive health services have a long-standing history of being subjected to threats, harassment and harm.

These patterns of threats and harassment are well-established by organizations that track and gather information on the threats and harm that supporters and providers of abortion and other reproductive health care services are subjected to. See for example, the materials in Attachment 4, which include a chart compiled by the National Abortion Federation (NAF) which details the types of threats and harm experienced by providers between the years 1977 through 2013. See also the January 2015 report, included as Attachment 4, compiled by the Feminist Majority Foundation, which among other findings, found that the incidences of threats and harassment experienced by doctors and other staff increased from 2010 to 2014.

For all of these reasons, FPA feels it clearly continues to meet the statutory standard of Legislative Law § 1-h, and respectfully requests the Commission to grant this request. In addition, FPA requests that the Commission grant FPA, at a minimum, a two-year exemption from the disclosure requirement. The topic of abortion and family planning continue to be significant subjects of public concern and FPA does not contemplate that changing in the foreseeable future.

I declare that the information contained in this application is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Sincerely,



Ronnie Pawelko
General Counsel

Attachment 1



Family Planning Advocates of New York State

July 11, 2014

Letizia Tagliaferro
New York State Joint Commission on Public Ethics
540 Broadway
Albany, NY 12207

Re: Request for Exemption from Source of Funding Disclosure

Dear Ms. Tagliaferro:

Family Planning Advocates of New York (FPA) writes to seek an exemption from disclosing its sources of funding pursuant to 19 NYCRR 938.4(b). Although it is far from clear whether it is necessary for an exemption application to be submitted at this time, given the fact that an appeal from the Joint Commission on Public Ethics's denial of FPA's exemption application submitted on October 25, 2013 was pending at the time this request was prepared, and the lack of information about the time frame for which an exemption would apply should our appeal be successful, FPA chooses to take the cautious approach in order to protect our donors. FPA respectfully requests the ability to amend or withdraw this exemption request depending on the outcome of the appeal.

FPA is a 501(c)(4) organization that lobbies in support of reproductive rights and access to comprehensive reproductive health care services, including access to contraception and abortion. FPA's members include the state's family planning providers, including the state's Planned Parenthood affiliates. The Planned Parenthood affiliates are both members and donors to FPA. Many of FPA's members, including all of the Planned Parenthood members, are providers of abortion services, a health care service that is an issue of significant public concern and debate. Planned Parenthood organizations in particular, are undeniably the subject and targets of significant public debate, and all too frequently, Planned Parenthood and the people affiliated with it, are the subjects and targets of abortion opposition activity. FPA believes it, and its donors, including its Planned Parenthood member donors were clearly contemplated by the Legislature as organizations that should be granted an exemption from source of funding disclosure. Legislative Law § 1-h, which enacted this disclosure requirement, states as follows:

[A]ny corporation registered pursuant to article seven-A of the executive law that is qualified as an exempt organization by the United States Department of the Treasury under I.R.C. § 501(c)(4) and whose primary

activities concern any area of public concern determined by the commission to create a substantial likelihood that application of this disclosure requirement would lead to harm, threats, harassment, or reprisals to a source of funding or to individuals or property affiliated with such source, including but not limited to the area of civil rights and civil liberties and any other area of public concern determined pursuant to regulations promulgated by the commission to form a proper basis for exemption on this basis from this disclosure requirement[.]

The Legislature clearly contemplated that organizations such as FPA, which advocates on behalf of New York's family planning providers, would meet the standards for exemption and would not be required to reveal its sources of funding. This is clearly reflected in the Bill Jacket of the Public Integrity Reform Act of 2011, which provides guidance in determining the legislative intent of the statute, and which unambiguously states in the Introducer's Memorandum in Support that:

The bill expressly identifies the area of "civil rights and civil liberties" as one area in which organizations are expected to qualify for such an exemption in the Joint Commission's regulations. Among other issues included in this area, organizations whose primary activities focus on the question of abortion rights, family planning, discrimination or persecution based upon race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation or religion, immigrant rights, and the rights of certain criminal defendants are expected to be covered by such an exemption.

FPA believes it clearly meets the criteria for exemption specified in 19 NYCRR 938.4(b). FPA is a 501(c)(4) organization, its primary activities involve areas of public concern—namely the issues of family planning and reproductive rights, and most importantly, it is clear from the information detailed below, FPA can illustrate that disclosure of its sources of funding would cause a substantial likelihood of harm, threats, harassment or reprisals to FPA and to its sources of funding or individuals and property associated with the sources.

FPA's member Planned Parenthood organizations and other providers of abortion services have repeatedly experienced threats and harassment here in New York.

As detailed in FPA's exemption application filed with JCOPE in October of 2013, New York Planned Parenthood affiliates have experienced numerous incidents involving harassing phone calls and emails, vandalism, aggressive picketing or the receipt of suspicious packages including packages that contained materials with religious messages against abortion. Religious messages against abortion are frequently accompanied by references to death and killing. In its October 2013 exemption application, FPA detailed many incidents of harassment of Planned Parenthood affiliates, which included incidents such as the following:

- Planned Parenthood of New York City received five phone messages from the same caller (as did several other Planned Parenthood affiliates in the country) in which the

caller left the following statements: "All abortion people will be punished;" "God almighty is very angry, anyone involved in abortion will be killed by God, death will come by a lake of fire;" "God is going to kill everyone involved;" and "God is going to destroy all of you." These messages seemed to increase in intensity and anger with time.

- A Planned Parenthood in Utica received an email that addressed staff as baby killers, included Biblical references and ended with a call for staff to repent or they will be "held accountable on Judgment day." The same Planned Parenthood affiliate also received a voice message where the caller made anti-abortion comments and stated: "I believe you should be blown the f***up." Also at the same affiliate, two staff members had rosaries wrapped around the driver's side mirror of their cars, an indication that protestors were aware of which cars staff drove.
- A Planned Parenthood health center in Saratoga received a phone message from a woman that said, "Hi, I'm just calling to say God have mercy on your souls. Be prepared to close your doors at any time. This is a warning to all Planned Parenthoods nationwide. Bye".
- Planned Parenthood supporters have also been targeted for harassment. Last summer a fundraiser was held for a Planned Parenthood health center in the Adirondacks. Even though the event was held on a private property with a long drive, protestors trespassed onto the site and took photos of the license plates of the cars of event attendees. Many donors felt threatened and intimidated.
- Abortion opponents also contact people affiliated with Planned Parenthood at their homes. For example, health care providers affiliated with the Rochester and North Country Planned Parenthood affiliates, whose home addresses are not publicly available, have nevertheless received mail and phone messages from anti-abortion individuals. A Planned Parenthood Board member also has reported receiving a phone call at her home where the caller repeated her home address and mentioned her work with Planned Parenthood.

These types of harassing incidents have continued with all of New York's Planned Parenthood affiliates and FPA reporting situations in which harassing mail, email, text and/or voicemail messages were received, including the following incidents:

- An employee at a Planned Parenthood health center found a nail in the sidewall of her car tire after it had been parked in the health center lot. The location of the nail appeared to be a deliberate act of vandalism.
- At least nine different Planned Parenthood health centers in New York have received a letter titled "The Penalty ... A Life for a Life" from trumpetcallofgodonline.com. The letter refers to abortion as a grievous sin and says "a life which is taken shall be repaid by the death of the guilty".
- In April of this year, FPA and several Planned Parenthood affiliates across the country received mailings that contained a printed ticket to heaven that was attached to a brochure titled "After Death, What?" Although not an explicit threat, it is an undeniable reference to death and a form of harassment.

- All Planned Parenthood affiliates, and FPA, receive on a periodic basis, mailings that contain religious messages against abortion, including messages that the sender is praying for staffs' souls, and messages of how to repent and redeem souls. In the past year, two Planned Parenthood affiliates received multiple mailings of religious and anti-abortion materials from the same senders with a mailing addresses in New York. Health centers have also received newspaper clippings about the closure of clinics. The receipt of these types of mailings is considered harassing behavior by the recipients.
- Since the Supreme Court's *McCullen v Coakley* decision, which struck down Massachusetts' abortion clinic buffer zone law, there has been an increase in aggressive protestor activity at health centers who have claimed that the decision invalidated all legal protections to protect patients and staff from harassment, threatening behavior and blocked access at health centers offering abortion services. These incidents caused Attorney General Eric Schneiderman to issue a memorandum to all law enforcement agencies in New York State advising that New York's existing laws and protections remain in effect and should be enforced.

These incidents show a clear pattern of threats, harassment and manifestations of hostility against FPA's members and donors.

There is a significant history or harm, threats, harassment and reprisals directed against abortion providers and supporters which hold views and missions similar to FPA and its members, including its Planned Parenthood members.

The National Abortion Federation (NAF) gathers information about violence against abortion providers. From the statistics gathered, it is clear that abortion providers have experienced a significant history of harassment. Since 1977, reported incidents against abortion providers included 8 murders (7 since 1993), 17 attempted murders, 42 bombings, and 181 arsons. In the year 2013, reported incidents of trespassing increased from 47 incidents in 2012 to 264 in 2013; and reported incidents of stalking increased from 6 to 20 reported incidents. New York State saw the worst form of violence against an abortion provider with the 1998 murder of Dr. Barnett Slepian, who provided abortion care at one of FPA's member health clinics.

Abortion opponents also make it a practice to harass and intimidate providers and patients by posting information on the internet that includes photos of patients, providers and health centers. These sites tend to use very inflammatory and derogatory language to describe providers. Some of these sites include the following:

- Posted on the website abortioncams.com, are photos of patients, volunteers and employees entering health facilities providing abortion services, including a Planned Parenthood health center in Hudson, New York. Posted photos including photos of clearly identifiable license plates and clearly identifiable images of patients and staff. A link to this site can also be found at the Nuremberg Files (see below) website under the listing; "Watch People Going in and out of Baby Butcher Shops in Your City or Town."

- A listing of abortion clinics, which includes addresses of clinics, including photos of many of FPA's member's health care providers is posted at abortiondocs.org. This website uses inflammatory rhetoric, such as "abortion cartel," and "abortion mill" to describe health centers and physician offices that offer abortion services, as well as the term "worst offenders" to describe some physicians who provide abortion care.
- The Nuremberg Files website (www.christiangallery.com) uses extremely inflammatory language and encourages other abortion opponents to gather information on abortion providers, which the site describes as criminals and child killers, with the stated goal of using the gathered information to "one day hold them on trial for crimes against humanity." In a "sample dossier" profiling one abortion provider, the group lists 13 legal charges they would like to file against the provider that include genocide and mass murder. The site encourages its supporters to gather information that includes:
 - (1) Photos or videotapes of the abortionist, their car, their house, friends, and anything else of interest (as many and as recent as possible);
 - (2) Current and past personal data including date and place of birth, home and business addresses and phone numbers, Social Security numbers, automobile plate numbers, names and birthdates of spouse(s), children and friends."

There are numerous other organizations in addition to those described above that are dedicated to putting Planned Parenthood health providers out of business because of their support for and provision of abortion. The majority of these groups engage in similar tactics which include the gathering of personal information about health care providers, supporters and staff as well as financial information about health centers providing abortion. All of this information is gathered with the goal of disrupting business operations, causing economic harm to providers of abortion, and harassing staff and supporters.

The potential of harm to abortion providers has been recognized in other tribunals as a justification for keeping information related to abortion providers confidential.

The potential for harm against abortion providers has caused several tribunals to ensure that information about providers is kept confidential. For example, in a March 17, 2014 letter from the Department of Health Records Access Appeals Officer of the New York State Department of Health addressed to an individual attempting to gather information concerning abortion services and providers in New York State, the Department of Health refused to provide detailed information about abortion providers because of the possibility that disclosing information concerning abortion providers would endanger the lives or safety of those individuals.

The DOH letter also discusses other tribunals that have recognized the potential harm of disclosing detailed information about those involved in abortion, including decisions that upheld the redaction of the names and addresses of individuals and businesses involved in the manufacture and distribution of medications used to terminate a pregnancy. See NYS DOH FOIL Appeal letter attached as Exhibit A.

Conclusion

Abortion providers and supporters have experienced a long and well-documented history of threats, harassment and violence that continues unabated to this day. Although it is impossible to know with absolute certainty that disclosure would subject FPA's donors to further harm, threats, harassment or reprisals due to disclosure of donor information, the long-standing patterns of harm and harassment against abortion providers provides support for FPA's concern that this history demonstrates a substantial likelihood that such harm could occur. FPA urges the Joint Commission on Public Ethics to grant FPA's exemption request.

I declare that the information contained in this application is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Ronnie Pawelko
General Counsel

Dear Doctors,

February 16, 2012

Please accept this sincere letter to propose for your consideration how to best increase^① your earnings^{*} ten times as well as^② assure the longevity of your clinic in the face of up coming legislation. When fully implemented, you will earn \$29,000 a day.

① How to best increase your earnings:

1) Charge \$15,000 to "eager to adopt" couples to obtain a new-born baby from your clinic.

2) How to get new-born babies to offer for adoption:

a) Give/offer pregnant women who come to you with "unplanned pregnancies" an incentive - to - give birth fee of \$500.

b) offer/promise these pregnant women "free delivery" of their babies at your clinic in exchange for their legally binding signature authorizing you exclusive rights to place their babies up for adoption with loving selective "eager to adopt" couples.

c) Counsel these women that birth and adoption is the safest solution to their unplanned pregnancy.

d) Explain the further incentive of "open adoption"
(over)

that legally allows loving interaction between birth mothers and adopting couples. I have seen this work very well: joyful for all concerned.

Birth mothers will will enjoy this option.

Please understand why abortion is "bad business"

because abortion does several, several bad results:
abortion:

1) throws in the trash \$15,000 for each child and precious human lives - unrepeatably human beings.

2) causes great risks to pregnant women such as:

1) Breast cancer that is related to heightened hormones that give women immunization against breast cancer are suddenly, drastically, dropped after abortion. This makes the woman more susceptible to breast cancer. Recent study of a sample size 500 women showed a direct link between abortion + breast cancer.

3) Perforated uterus and/or thinned uterus incapable of carrying another child. Here in Michigan, at Women's Care, 3 women died on the same day of their abortion. Another clinic had 1 death and 23 immediate emergency surgery. Abortion is/was not a solution for unplanned pregnancy. Birth/adoption is the solution.

Abortion causes

7) deep depression in post-abortion women has led some to suicide. Statistically, there definitely is higher instance of suicide in post-abortion. The correlation is significant. Having done post-graduate work in psychopathology, I see here women when maturity occurs begin to realize on their own that they have let themselves be coerced into aborting their own baby. Coercement has many forms from family, boyfriend, educational concerns, shame, financial & emotional. But in the end, the woman faces her pillow alone at night with herself and unborn child. Some cannot handle this loss, pain & grief. No abortion now is seen without the frosting of deception. But you can help such women now:

Please refer these women to get loving support and healing from:

Project Rachel: 888-456-HOPE and
 E-MAIL: projectrachel@aqd.org 888-722-4355 4673

also help for
 pre-abortion
 women to avoid
 abortion:

Rachel's Vineyard: 877-HOPE 4ME
www.rachelvineyard.org 467-3463

800-848-LOVE
 800-5WE CARE
 800-395-HELP (24/7) _{help}

Please see my attached brochure on Project Rachel that defines Project Rachel as "a private, sensitive, structured, confidential experience with the assistance of counselors, priests, + support (women's support) group programs and/or compassionate support people." (me)

all people who have been associated or touched by abortion are welcome to Project Rachel for healing and support they help to experience God's and our own forgiveness. Self forgiveness is vital to inner healing. All are invited: post-abortive or even those thinking about getting an abortion. Plus the fathers of an aborted child. Plus doctors, nurses & staff having been touched by abortion in any way. Project Rachel welcomes all no matter what religious affiliation or if no affiliation or religion.

Here is a case of a doctor touched by abortion:

* Dr. Bernard Nathanson performed 89,000 abortions, but what he saw on his ultra-sound monitor during his final abortion:

He saw his fetal baby fighting back against his abortion instruments! The fetal-baby kicking, pushing with arms & hands. Dr. Nathanson's instruments away to preserve his/her life. & he doctor saw the fetal-baby taking evasive action to avoid harm by moving to an area in the womb.

Dr. Nathanson did not complete the abortion. He never did another abortion ever again because he saw with his own eyes that this fetal baby was truly a thinking, perceptive, decisive & precise human being.

Dr. Nathanson began to take some alone time to think & pray. He was baptized Catholic & devoted his
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his next 20 years to saving all the fetal babies in the womb by his own resources. He helped women to give birth. He lectured across the country on the evil of abortion. He produced a famous film you can google called the "Silent Scream" which shows a fetal baby fighting back against another doctor's abortive instruments until the baby is dismembered. Since fetal babies feel pain 3 to 5 times more than we adults, the baby gave out an open-mouth "silent scream". All poor babies about to be aborted should have received anesthesia so as not to feel pain or fear. But no baby should be aborted at all, because God the Father said: "Thou shalt not kill." The Father needs you - calls you now - to save His kids from death by abortion. God will bless you because of His universal Law that applies to all believers or non-believers. stated thus:

"Whatever - life/health or death, woe - We bring into the lives of others will surely come back into our own."

examples: Mother Teresa of Calcutta: life giver;
Judas, Nero + Hitler: death givers.
(see p. 6)

1) Mother Teresa lived long - a life full of love, joy, honor, peace & selfless giving. She was India's national treasure.

2) Judas who found no happiness from blood money & betrayed himself. He had guilt but not sorrow that leads to accepting Jesus' merciful forgiveness.

3) Nero: to get the land he wanted for his luxury palace, he burned Rome & used Christians as human torches. He died about the same age as Judas & young.

4) Hitler: he denied Jews the "right to life" calling it "the final solution." He just as "Choice" denies babies today their right to life. He died young, too, & in great disgrace.

Would these 3 men could have repented like Dr. Nathanson who found God's merciful loving forgiveness, pardon & protection. He lived long, too.

Dr. Nathanson (and you too) was the modern "Prodigal son" in Luke's gospel: "And

the Father saw his son coming home from a far way off. The Father ran to meet his son, embraced him & kissed him and ordered a great celebration because 'my son was lost but now is found. - was dead but has come back to life again.'
Be you a male or female doctor, that prodigal is you!

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② Assure your clinics longevity in face of new Legislature that will easily get 2/3rd's majority vote from Congress.

This legislation was predicted by the Supreme Court Justice in 1973 who decided Roe v Wade. His prediction was this he put into the court record: "If the suggestion of personhood is established, the fetus' right to life would be guaranteed by the 14th Amendment; and the appellants' (Roe) case completely collapses."

The 14th Amendment says: "no state shall deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law."

Now all these predictions are coming true because of the "Life at Conception Act" that declares all fetuses in the womb to be fully legal persons (homo sapiens) from conception on ward. The act will declare all abortion and abortion clinics illegal in one stroke of the pen.

But this won't matter to you because you would have become exclusively an Adoption Center. Please cancel all abortions today at this hour, this moment and schedule life saving births. Even if an abortion procedure has begun, you can interrupt it as Dr. Nathanson so bravely did. You can counsel a woman on a journey to give birth not abort. God loves you! Give. P10

(page 8) . You can save lives this moment.
Be courageous. God will help you.
Please see my blog #26 and #151: "motherhood"
Just google.

much love + peace to you all!

Doctors, God needs you to do His work
just as He did Moses to get His people
free --- now God's needs you to
free His babies from abortion -
you are being called as Moses was by
the "I am who am" - the God
of all life! All life is sacred
like God is sacred. God
gave you life. Help others
to have life, too. You won't
admit think of aborting you. Don't
think about aborting anyone again.
I love lives in the world. Love, P. 10

AN ANCIENT PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

O ST. JOSEPH, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in thee all my interests and desires.

O St. Joseph, assist me by thy powerful intercession and obtain for me all spiritual blessings through thy foster Son, Jesus Christ Our Lord, so that, having engaged here below thy heavenly power, I may offer thee my thanksgiving and homage.

O St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating thee and Jesus asleep in thine arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near thy heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me, and ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath.

St. Joseph, Patron of departing souls, pray for me.

Publisher's Note: We reproduce here, without comment or guarantee, the following statement which usually accompanies this prayer:

This prayer was found in the fiftieth year of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. In 1505 it was sent from the Pope to Emperor Charles when he was going into battle. Whoever shall read this prayer or hear it or keep it about themselves shall never die a sudden death or be drowned, nor shall poison take effect on them—neither shall they fall into the hands of the enemy or be burned in any fire or be overpowered in battle.

Say for nine mornings for anything you may desire. It has never been known to fail.

November 10, 2011

New York City Nuke Dream



MASSIVE NUCLEAR MUSHROOM CLOUD

NUCLEAR EXPLOSION SO POWERFUL OVER NEW YORK CITY THAT
WINDOWS IN HOUSES IN NORTHERN CANADA WILL BE BLOWN OUT!!!

By Brian Charles (Dream begins)
I was hitchhiking up in the Northern Territories of Canada, or now called Nunavut (trying
to get to this highway that curves through Quebec heading south to the States. A truck
driver gives me a ride, and while we are traveling south, between the forests of spruce
trees that are lining both sides of the highway we are on, right in front of us, I see a
growing orange nuclear mushroom cloud. It was over New York City, and I got very big,
very fast, and I was surprised that it being so powerful, it produced a very strong blast
of wind where we were there in northern Canada.
Now I was in a small town in northern Canada. While I was walking through the
streets of the town, I noticed some of the houses, and I saw that the windows
were blown out in any of these houses, yet they still had people living in them.
(Dream ends)

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Prophetic Words of Destruction Against New York City

Given through Brian Charles

- "You must leave it all behind, city of My wrath!"
- "Leave this place, city of My wrath!"
- "Destroyed in an instant, city of My wrath! You must go!"
- "Leave the city of My wrath!"
- "I'll be destroyed in an instant!"
- "Destroyed in an instant by My wrath." -- New York City
- "I hate that place." -- New York City
- "It'll all be blasted apart in a minute." -- New York City, world economy
- "Leave it all behind."
- "You must flee!"
- "You must go! You must flee for your life!"
- "Flee the city of My wrath!"
- "City of My wrath, you must go!"
- "Eternal destruction shall be her lot. She has refused to obey Me. Thus says the Lord of Hosts."
- "It'll be a piece of history. You'll see."
- "All the big cities will be nuked."
- "It'll all be gone in an instant. You'll see - by nuclear fire."
- "It'll all erupt in nuclear fire!"
- "Great is My wrath against this place!" -- New York City
- "Flee this place! Flee this place for your life!"
- "Get out of My country - I shall bring destruction upon it." -- New York City
- "Leave this place." -- New York City
- "I'll destroy this city with a sudden burst. It will all be reduced to piles of rubble." -- New York City
- "See them building those buildings taller? I shall bring them flat!"
- "Towers will come down in an instant." -- Manhattan
- "I'll tear it down with My bare hands." -- Word of judgment for the Empire State Building
- "This place will be collapsed." -- Lincoln Tunnel
- "This place will be collapsed under My hand." -- Port Authority Bus Terminal, New York City
- "Not a block will be left on top of another that won't be blasted away."
- "It'll be a thing of the past." -- The Statue of Liberty, and what it stands for - freedom and liberty
- "The American flag will be a thing of the past, replaced by martial law, New World Order control!"
- "New Flag - New World Order"
- "It all must go - they won't serve Me." -- God's people, the Christians and the Jews
- "It all must go - they won't obey Me. Thus says the Lord Most High. Amen"
- "Leave it all behind - it's coming under My wrath. They have refused to obey My will."
- "They won't obey Me. Nobody will. I must destroy them for that."
- "All apportioned to destruction."
- "All this will be a thing of the past." -- nightlife, culture
- "It's all gonna be gone." -- New York, New England
- "All this will be submerged underwater." -- NYC, CT
- "It'll all be submerged under the sea." -- NJ, New York State, Long Island
- "I'm gonna destroy this place. They depend on money too much."
- "They have chased after their idols." -- People of NY, NJ
- "It'll all be submerged under the sea."
- "Factories will be silent under My wrath."
- "It'll all go silent." -- world economy system
- "I'll destroy the world because of that!" -- covetousness, greed
- "I'm gonna destroy humanity." -- because of the sin of covetousness

Read Isaiah chapter 14, and Revelation chapters 17 and 18, in any Bible

Take Action Now!

Yes! I want to sign up for the Planned Parenthood Action Network. Send me regular updates and action alerts to help me stay informed, speak out, and make a difference in the fight to protect a woman's right to choose.

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A WOMAN'S RIGHT TO CHOOSE DEATH? YOU'RE ALL MURDERERS!

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E-mail Address* *You should all take time to*
Name *About Yourself. You're group of*
Street *Baby Killers. Have a bad day -*
City *We don't want you killing babies at 236 Washington St.*
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E-mail Address* _____
Name *SOMEONE WHO WOULDN'T BE HERE TODAY IF ABORTION WERE READILY*
Street *AVAILABLE IN 1954. MY 5 CHILDREN AND 4 GRANDCHILDREN*
City *ARE THANKFUL FOR THAT.* State _____ Zip _____
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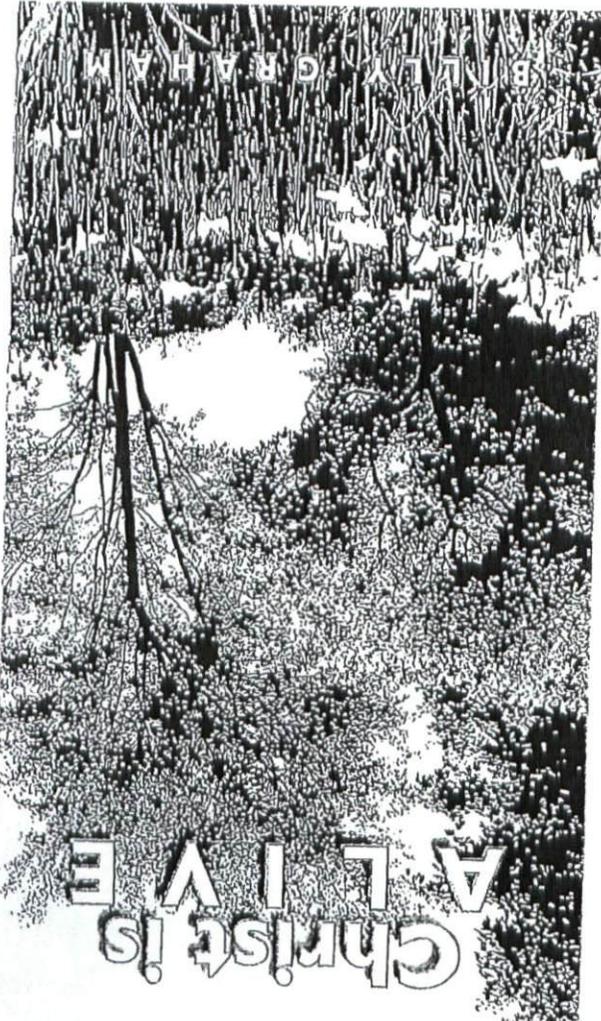
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Corporate Funding (BOYCOTT)

"The Pro-Life Movement will succeed only to the extent that pro-life people are willing to be inconvenienced."

- Douglas R. Scott, Jr.,

Bad Choices: A Look Inside Planned Parenthood, p. 246

The **Corporate Funding Project (CFP)** is a program focusing on the education of corporate officials about the agendas of Planned Parenthood in an effort to convince them to deny support to this dangerous group. A boycott of corporations that support this radical entity is advocated so those who care about life are not indirectly funding its deadly agenda.

LDI publishes a list of boycott targets that is updated at least twice per year. The list includes corporate names, subsidiaries, products, services and how to contact each company. LDI provides information regarding the historical use of boycotts as a strategy for achieving social and philanthropic change as well as an analysis of the moral and ethical issues involved.

Click on "CFP Frequently Asked Questions" and "CFP Standards & Policies" or more information about the Corporate Funding Project. Click on "CFP Copyright Details" for information about how *The Boycott List* may and may not be used.

Have you heard disparaging remarks about the legitimacy or accuracy of *The Boycott List*? Click here for more information.

Order a *Boycott List* (national/international corporations and nonprofit groups) and/or Other Materials

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CFP Frequently Asked Questions

How is it decided that a company should be added to *The Boycott List*? What does a company have to do to get off *The Boycott List*?

The Boycott List includes corporations that have donated to Planned Parenthood, at any level, in any amount, within the past five years, but whose officials refuse to say donations will not be made in the future. Some officials claim their respective company no longer supports Planned Parenthood. If officials refuse to say donations will not be made in the future, the company remains on a boycott target until grants to Planned Parenthood have ceased for five years. This is done to prevent corporations from donating five times as much money every five years and claiming for four years that they do not support the pro-abortion groups. We learned early on that corporate leaders will turn to devious methods to continue supporting Planned Parenthood. For example, one corporation had donated \$5,000 to the pro-abortion group every year since 1991. After becoming a boycott target, the corporation donated \$25,000 and for four years told consumers they do not support Planned Parenthood. Tricky to be sure and maybe even clever, but we quickly saw through the ruse and established the Five Year Rule. Therefore, do not be surprised if a corporation responds that it is no longer supporting Planned Parenthood.

The Boycott List does not include every corporate supporter of Planned Parenthood, but only those that have been investigated and given "due process." All corporations listed have received information about Planned Parenthood, along with a request that support cease. A corporate name is added to *The Boycott List* only if, after a reasonable amount of time, its leaders refuse to change the philanthropic practice.

LDI tracks cash donations, gifts in-kind and matching gifts. LDI does not track donations made to United Way or other organizations.

A company will be dropped as a boycott target if it stops funding Planned Parenthood for at least five years (automatically) or if a corporate official states that the pro-abortion group will be made ineligible for support in the future (immediate removal from *The Boycott List*). It is the responsibility of corporate officials to notify LDI if a company qualifies for removal from *The Boycott List*.

What if I do not agree with your standards?

We have received a few calls from pro-life activists who are second-guessing our Standards and Policies. Some say they will not boycott a company unless it gives X numbers of dollars to Planned Parenthood. Others say they will not boycott a company unless it donated to Planned Parenthood within the past month. Still others want to establish an array of different standards. Similarly, some pro-life activists have chosen to support corporations that "are good for the community," even though they support Planned Parenthood. While every individual must act according to his or her conscience, we respectfully ask all pro-lifers to be united behind our successful and equitable standards.

What should I do if I suspect that a company is funding Planned Parenthood?

If you have strong reason to suspect that a company is donating to Planned Parenthood, but it is not listed as a boycott target, let us know. Unfortunately, due to limited resources, we cannot accommodate requests to investigate all corporations with which our supporters do business.

Do you have a list of companies that are pro-life? What companies have been removed from *The Boycott List*?

We cannot honor requests for the following: 1) a list of "acceptable" companies (it could not be all-inclusive; and 2) the names of corporations removed from *The Boycott List* (as per our promise to the corporations). Planned Parenthood and its allies would surely target corporations on "alternative/approved" and "removed/cleared" lists for its own boycott—and we would have done the research for them.

Should I stop taking my prescription since it is made by a boycotted company?

We strongly discourage pro-life advocates from boycotting products that are necessary for good health (particularly prescription medications) when substitutes are not available and doctor-

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approved.

My computer uses software from Microsoft and I use Adobe Reader. Should I get rid of these? I also own several pairs of jeans from Levi Strauss. Should I throw them away?

No. Getting rid of (throwing away) these products would simply be wasteful. (If an automobile manufacturer were a boycott target would we expect you to get rid of your car? No.) We suggest that you purchase no other products from a boycotted corporation.

With regard to Microsoft, getting rid of all of its products would literally mean having to buy a new computer—a Macintosh. If Apple Computer were to become a boycott target as well, we would not suggest throwing away your computer and never buying another. If all corporations that make computer operating systems were to become boycott targets, you may have to purchase from them. In this case, just do the minimum you can get away with in order to make your computer operational.

As for Adobe, the company's Reader program is free of charge and the company does not make more money if you download the program. (LDI uses Microsoft products, but we have not purchased anything from the corporation since it became a boycott target.)

The same principle applies when it comes to clothing or any other purchase. Do not throw anything away; just don't buy from the boycotted corporation in the future.

We do not want the boycott to become a "religion." Do the very best you can, without offering up unreasonable excuses, and you will be serving the cause well.

How often is an updated edition of *The Boycott List* published?

The Boycott List is published at least twice per calendar year. However, a new edition is released as changes warrant, not on a schedule, so the date of publication may vary quite significantly. Updates between the release of a new *Boycott List* are published in LDI's newsletter, *The Caleb Report*. *The Caleb Report* and revised editions of *The Boycott List* are automatically mailed to LDI Partners as soon as they become available.

Should I boycott a company if it is not based in my country?

Persons not residing in the country where listed corporations are based are urged to boycott products made by those companies if sold in their area. Tell the corporate affiliate that the funding of Planned Parenthood by any part of the company, regardless of its location, cannot be tolerated. We must act together and recognize no borders to make this boycott most effective.

Should I write to the boycott targets and can I expect a reply?

Pro-life advocates are encouraged to write to each corporation every two months or so. Please be kind, respectful and brief. (*The Boycott List* includes all of the necessary information: name of chief executive officer, address, phone number, and website address.) Remember—if pro-life advocates become discouraged, Planned Parenthood wins! Corporations usually respond with a form letter, which will probably evade the issue, rationalize actions, or even deny guilt outright. (We encourage you to tell corporate officials that LDI is the source of your information and if they deny supporting Planned Parenthood, they should contact us.) We can answer any questions you may have about corporate rhetoric.

What is the "Dishonorable Mention" section of *The Boycott List*?

The Dishonorable Mention section identifies charitable organizations that are associated with Planned Parenthood and/or its agenda. *The Boycott List* includes information as to why each respective organization has been placed in the Dishonorable Mention section.

Does *The Boycott List* identify local/regional supporters of Planned Parenthood?

The Boycott List names only those corporations that do business over a large area. However, LDI also researches and publishes a list of companies that do business only on a local/regional scale. The list may be found on this website. (NOTE: The local/regional list is currently being revised and will be reposted as soon as possible.)

What should I do if I find an error on *The Boycott List*?

While every effort is made to ensure that all information included in *The Boycott List* is accurate, there is always the possibility of human or mechanical error. Moreover, there are frequent changes in the corporate world. Should you notice an error please report it to us immediately. Corrections and changes between the release of *Boycott Lists* are published in LDI's newsletter,

The Caleb Report. (We have never made an error regarding the corporations appearing on *The Boycott List*. We refer here to subsidiaries, spelling errors, etc.)

How is the CFP supported?

Please remember that we are a pro-life organization that depends on the generous contributions of those who agree with our mission. LDI could not survive on the funds received from those who order our materials. We appreciate your ongoing and generous support so *The Boycott List* and our other educational programs that are designed to fight Planned Parenthood may continue and reach as many people as possible. LDI has earned a reputation for publishing factual, quality information and all donations are used with wisdom and prudence.

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'282 corporations have stopped funding Planned Parenthood'

by John-Henry Westen

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FRONT ROYAL, VA, March 22, 2012 (LifeSiteNews.com) - Life Decisions International (LDI) has released a revised edition of The Boycott List, which identifies corporations that support Planned Parenthood, the world's primary abortion-advocacy behemoth.

"As a direct result of the commitment, action and prayers of pro-family people, at least 282 corporations have stopped funding Planned Parenthood," said Kenneth C. Garvey, LDI's Director of Communications. It is estimated that the boycott has cost Planned Parenthood more than \$40 million since the Corporate Funding Project (CFP) began. "This should serve as a testament to those who think it impossible to change corporate behavior."

New boycott targets include Advance Publications (magazines such as Bon Appetit, Details, Glamour, GQ, Self, Vanity Fair, and Vogue), Ameriprise Financial, Arthur Murray (dance studios), Bikram's Yoga, Bob Evans (restaurants), Danone (Dannon products), Fresh Enterprises (Baja Fresh Mexican Grill, Canyons Burger Co., and La Salsa Fresh Mexican Grill), NACCO (Hamilton Beach and Proctor Silex products; Kitchen Collection and Le Gourmet Chef stores), Pernod Ricard (alcoholic products including Absolute, Ballantine's, Beefeater, Chivas Regal, Kahlúa, Malibu, and Royal Salute), TD Bank Group, UBS (financial services), and Wyndham (lodging including Baymont, Days Inn, Dream Hotels, Hawthorne, Howard Johnson, Knights Inn, Microtel, Night, Ramada, Super 8, Travelodge, TRYP Hotels, Wingate, and Wyndham; eatery: Planet Hollywood).

Some of the corporations continuing as boycott targets are: Adobe, AOL, Bank of America, Bayer, Chevron, Darden Restaurants (eateries including Olive Garden, Red Lobster, etc.), eBay (PayPal, etc.), Laureate Education, Marriott Hotels, Midas, Nike, Select Comfort (Sleep Number bed), Southwest Airlines (Jet Blue, etc.), Starwood (lodging including Four Points, Sheraton, St. Regis, W, Westin, etc.), Wells Fargo, and Whole Foods.

The Boycott List includes a "Dishonorable Mention" section, which identifies nonprofits that are associated with Planned Parenthood and/or its agenda. The only addition to this section is The Lance Armstrong Foundation. Other groups in the "Dishonorable Mention" section include: AARP, American Cancer Society, Boys & Girls Clubs, Camp Fire, Dr. Phil Foundation, Girl Scouts, Girls Inc., Kiwanis Clubs, Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, March of Dimes, Michael J. Fox Foundation, Muscular Dystrophy Association, Ronald McDonald House Charities, Rotary Clubs, Salvation Army, Save the Children, Sierra Club, Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, YMCA, and YWCA.

Garvey said that Planned Parenthood's most recent annual report shows a decline in corporate support. He said the Corporate Funding Project is due to the tenacity of pro-life people who "understand the power of the dollar and are willing to be inconvenienced for the sake of preborn children."

Currently "celebrating" its 20th Anniversary, Life Decisions International welcomes and thanks the latest organizations to endorse the Corporate Funding Project. Citizens for a Pro-Life Society and Students for Life of America join 34 other pro-life/pro-family organizations endorsing the boycott.

For information about the CFP, including the steps taken before a corporation is placed on The Boycott List and the standards used to place a nonprofit group in the "Dishonorable Mention" section of The Boycott List, please click here. <http://www.fightpp.org/show.cfm?page=boycott>

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Protesters don't stop Planned Parenthood project

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The Regional Health and Education Center is expected to begin serving Planned Parenthood of Southwestern Oregon by fall of 2012. Dozens of anti-abortion protesters picketed last month when ground was broken on the project. (Rendering courtesy of Robertson | Sherwood | Architects)

Before construction started on the new Regional Health and Education Center for Planned Parenthood of Southwestern Oregon, project partners were warned that local opposition to the nonprofit could make the job unlike any of their previous ones.

Planned Parenthood provides a wide range of sexual and reproductive health care at nearly 800 centers nationwide. At some locations the nonprofit offers abortion services, a practice that stirs up resistance and causes protesters to picket construction sites and contact architects and contractors on the project team to express their disapproval.

Despite protests at the ground-breaking event and a steady stream of calls and letters, construction is moving forward on the new facility in the Glenwood community between Eugene and Springfield.

"We didn't want (the crews) to be blindsided," said Cynthia Pappas, CEO of Planned Parenthood of Southwestern Oregon. "We learned from other affiliates across the country who built new facilities, and workers need to be prepared to receive threatening letters. We met long before we ever broke ground when we hired these folks and gave them a heads-up. And they've been a very supportive crew."

Crews this week are finishing preliminary site work for the \$8.5 million facility. The footing excavation is almost done and foundation work should start this week, according to Pat Duerr, project manager for general contractor Chambers Construction.

But as expected, dozens of protesters picketed when ground was broken in September. Eugene-based firm Robertson | Sherwood | Architects, which designed the building, started receiving letters from project opponents in late August.

The Regional Health and Education Center is the architecture firm's first project that has drawn protests, according to principal-in-charge Carl Sherwood. The numbers of letters have dwindled, but between four and six protesters call the firm each week, he said.

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"All of the consultants on the team have been affected by it," Sherwood said. "(The protesters) have been cordial for the most part, and I certainly respect their right to an opinion and we try to listen and be cordial in return."

Twenty years ago, Robertson | Sherwood | Architects designed the Planned Parenthood clinic on High Street in Eugene, and he said that public reaction was not an issue then, but "times have changed."

Three years ago, threats of protesters caused Walsh Construction Co. to pull out of a Planned Parenthood project to build a facility now operating on Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Beech Street. The regional affiliate headquartered in the building, Planned Parenthood - Columbia Willamette, ended up serving as the general contractor and working with B&G Builders.



(Rendering courtesy of Robertson | Sherwood | Architects)

"During the building process we did talk with construction crews and architects and people who were going to be on site," PPCW spokeswoman Liz Delapoe said. "We advised the crews what the protesters' rights were and gave them tips on how to continue working with minimal disruption."

Chambers Construction continues to receive up to four phone calls and five letters from project opponents each week, according to company spokesman Kai Davis. But protesters haven't returned to the construction site yet, Duerr said.

The new center is being built in Glenwood in response to a growing service need in the Lane County region, according to Pappas. Approximately 21,000 clients were seen in Lane County's clinics annually, and the new facility is designed to accommodate 31,000.

The center will replace Eugene and Springfield clinics and accommodate residents from eight counties, making it one of the largest new developments in the Glenwood region in decades.

"Planned Parenthood didn't want to shirk from being visible," Sherwood said. "They wanted a design that stood out and was proud and an asset to the community."

Pappas, who worked for the city of Springfield for nearly 20 years before becoming CEO of the regional Planned Parenthood affiliate, is familiar with the project site.

"I firmly believe that the area we're locating in will be the next best area to develop, and we're getting in early," Pappas said. "Nonprofits can sometimes be bolder than your average developer because we are a 'destination facility' - people come to us for health care; it's not as important to us what's immediately adjacent."

A Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design silver rating is being targeted for the regional facility, which will house the Southwestern Oregon affiliate's corporate headquarters on the second floor. Robertson | Sherwood | Architects is refining the rainwater harvesting system so that water consumption will be reduced by at least 40 percent when compared to national standards.

Chambers Construction will install approximately 2.25 miles of vertical geothermal wells for the mechanical HVAC system, which is anticipated to operate 23 percent more efficiently than a code-compliant building in Oregon.

Pappas also emphasized that a rapid transit bus stop will be in front of the property.

"We're proud of the building," she said. "It will be healthier for clients and staff and healthier for our Earth. And that's one of the main parts of our mission and philosophy - to be a good environmental steward."



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The difficult task of building an abortion clinic

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ACTIVISTS kept their vigils and marched in their protests but, in spite of them, a Planned Parenthood clinic opened in Aurora, Illinois, on October 2nd. The \$7.5m, 22,000-square-foot (6,700-square-metre) facility is one of Planned Parenthood's biggest, and is expected to treat 25,000 patients a year. A week after the opening, staff bustled through the clinic's gleaming halls. Outside, a handful of inevitable picketers kept watch.

Aurora's battle nominally centred on a permit and how Planned Parenthood obtained it. The skirmish was not the first of its kind, nor will it be the last. Planned Parenthood is trying to expand. It has 4.3m clients across the country, to whom it provides everything from uncontroversial breast exams to contraception, which upsets some zealots, to some 265,000 abortions a year, which are the cause of the bitterest battles. Cecile Richards, Planned Parenthood's president, wants to have 17m clients one day, the number of women who need subsidised birth control. But opening a new clinic is not easy.

When Planned Parenthood applied for permits in Aurora last year, it used the name of Gemini Office Development, a subsidiary, hoping to keep the project quiet for as long as possible. When pro-life activists learned of the building's true purpose in July, they were furious, claiming that Planned Parenthood had committed fraud. One protest in August drew more than 1,000 people. Activists asked the city to review whether Planned Parenthood had broken any laws during the permit process. The lawyers found no wrongdoing, however, so the clinic opened just two weeks late.

It is no wonder that planners wanted construction in Aurora to begin quietly. Planned Parenthood's outfit in Austin, Texas, held a public groundbreaking in 2003 and chaos ensued. A pro-life construction boss, Chris Danze, organised a boycott among subcontractors and

publicised the phone numbers of any plumber, electrician or carpenter working on the project. The clinic's main contractor pulled out, so Planned Parenthood assumed this role itself. The company that poured the building's concrete foundation had to do so in the middle of the night.

A new clinic in Denver may face similar problems. Construction is scheduled to begin in November; activists are already protesting at a construction executive's house, and Mr Danze plans another boycott. Assuming the clinic opens, more trouble may well follow, including threats to employees and to the clinic itself. Aurora's facility has bullet-proof windows and thick walls. Some states try to close existing clinics by setting new fees and licensing requirements. In Missouri, for example, Planned Parenthood is fighting a new law that would re-designate their three clinics as surgical centres, requiring two to shut while they are renovated.

In Aurora, opponents are still trying to close the clinic, arguing that Planned Parenthood needs a special-use permit. Zoning can be yet another weapon to use against a clinic; a given piece of land may not be zoned for medical use. But Planned Parenthood made sure to choose a site that allows medical facilities and would not require a special permit. "Tactics come and go," Ms Richards sighs, "but at the end of the day, we get health centres open."

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ABORTION Gas supplier dumps abortion provider

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Welsco Industrial Gas and Welding Supply, which has supplied oxygen and nitrous gas to the Little Rock Family Planning Clinic for a decade, told the clinic in early January it would no longer sell to them and demanded its tanks back after an abortion protester filmed a company truck delivering gas to the clinic and posted for a time on YouTube.

Lori Williams, clinical director, declined, since the clinic has paid for the gas. The clinic's contract with Welsco says it will return the tanks when they are empty, and Williams told the company she'd return them then.

In response, Welsco manager Aaron Campbell called the police, and officers visited the clinic, at 4 Office Park Drive, Jan. 6. Williams explained to police that she had a contract with Welsco and would be happy to return the tanks when they are empty but not sooner. The police said fine, made out an information report, and left. They later returned to tell her that Welsco was offering a refund. Williams declined the refund.

Now, Little Rock Family Planning is seeking a new oxygen and nitrous supplier. One company made one delivery but then backed out, saying they wanted to avoid controversy.

The gases are used as pain killers in medical procedures including, but not limited to, abortion: They are also used for insertion of IUDs and vasectomies, a new service the clinic offers.

Little Rock Family Planning's clients come from all over Arkansas. There are no other surgical abortion providers in Arkansas. Memphis and Tulsa are the closest cities that do offer the procedure.

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Robert McCartney: Don't fall for smears against the Girl Scouts

By **Robert McCartney**, Published: January 28, 2012

The culture wars in this country have grown so acute that we can't even agree to support a patriotic, faith-affirming, achievement-oriented group like the Girl Scouts.

I smile when girls from the local troop stand nervously on my doorstep and ask me to buy Thin Mints and Trefails. I see the next generation of a treasured institution about to celebrate 100 years of giving girls a chance to hike and camp, learn skills such as gardening and first aid, and build character and leadership.

But some religious conservatives see something very different: representatives of a dangerous, secular organization that aggressively promotes abortion and quietly encourages paganism, homosexuality and other alleged social ailments.

It's ill-informed nonsense. Nonetheless, it's spawned a smear campaign against the Girl Scouts that's starting to have an impact, including in our region.

Conservative activists have used social media to encourage parents to boycott cookie sales, pull their daughters out of scouts and push churches not to provide meeting spaces for troops.

This month, for the first time in our area, a church bowed to the pressure. St. Timothy Roman Catholic parish in Chantilly in Fairfax County ousted 12 troops with 115 girls. In Alexandria, Saint Rita Catholic Church is reportedly considering doing the same.

At St. Timothy, Rev. Gerald Weymes told scout leaders they could no longer use church or parochial school facilities after the current school year. He didn't offer a public explanation and wasn't giving interviews.

But the diocese didn't deny reports that St. Timothy was unhappy with the U.S. Girl Scout organization's membership in the international girl scouting association.

The latter group, which has members in 145 countries, supports access to contraception and is also often accused of backing abortion and being affiliated with Planned Parenthood.

To appreciate the extremity of the church's action, consider the following: America's Girl Scouts say explicitly, repeatedly, at the neighborhood, regional and national level, that they have no stance on birth control or abortion.

No Girl Scout dues or proceeds from cookie sales go to the international group, called the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. Rebecca Munro, a spokeswoman for the association in London, said it has no position on abortion and no relationship with Planned Parenthood.

"Misinformation is passing as fact," Diane Tipton, president of the Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital, said in a Jan. 22 statement responding to St. Timothy's move. "The Girl Scout organization does not take a position on abortion or birth control, and these topics are not part of the Girl Scout program or our materials. We believe these matters are best discussed by girls with their families."

Such avowals haven't dissuaded the critics. They are convinced the Girl Scouts are secretly promoting abortion under guise of teaching knots and scrapbooking.

That didn't square with the experience of local Girl Scout adult leaders whom I interviewed.

"I have never come across anything that's pro-life or pro-choice in any of our council literature, or any of our national literature," said Kathy Sears, a troop adviser and adult trainer, who lives in Calvert County.

Another defender of the scouts is the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry, a group that ought to have some credibility with Catholics. It's an official church organization and has been actively investigating — and mostly refuting — the accusations for several years.

The federation's Web site devotes a page to knocking down rumors. Girl Scouts support Planned Parenthood? "Not true," the federation says. Girl Scout law does not refer to God anymore? "Not true."

The federation has some concerns about the international association, but thinks that doesn't justify rejecting American Girl Scouts altogether.

"It's the whole thing of guilt by association. Does one policy with which you can't agree prevent you from being involved in broader coalitions? My position is that the only way you can advocate for the church's position is to be engaged in the dialogue," said Robert McCarty, the federation's executive director. (Yes, we shared a laugh about our names' similarity.)

Some Girl Scout leaders in the area wish St. Timothy had adopted a similar, broad-minded attitude.

"I'm not sure that the father has made his decision based on any real fact," said one adult leader from Chantilly, who spoke on condition of anonymity because she feared alienating the church. "I think it's unfortunate that somebody makes a decision, and other people assume it's right and act accordingly, and it kind of snowballs."

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Happily, the controversy doesn't seem to be hurting this year's cookie sales. Lidia Soto-Harmon, chief executive of the Washington area council, said initial orders were up more than 6 percent.

I say, let's all cast a vote for girls with backpacks and against disinformation. When the neighborhood girls ring your doorbell, order an extra couple of boxes.

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Families Boycott Thin Mints Over Girl Scouts' Ties With Planned Parenthood

By Eryn Sun

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The president of a pro-family organization is asking the public to boycott Girl Scout cookies because of the group's ties with Planned Parenthood.

Austin Ruse, the president of Catholic Family & Human Rights Institute, told The Christian Post, "The Girl Scouts partner locally, nationally and internationally with Planned Parenthood, the largest abortionist in the world. They should stop this and the only way to stop them is by hitting them in the pocketbook."

The Girl Scouts have been frequently linked over the past few years with the pro-choice organization, allegedly endorsing abortion and the use of contraceptives to their young members through conventions and website links from their sites.

Late in 2011, the organization faced further scrutiny after the Colorado Girl Scouts decided to allow a 7-year-old boy to join their group after initially rejecting his application – a decision that angered many in the public and drew more fire for the organization's questionable practices.

Additionally in January, one of its council leaders in Southern Arizona asked an employee to change out of her pro-life t-shirt while she was in the office during off-duty hours, providing more fuel to the theory that the Girl Scouts were pro-choice, not pro-life.

Troubled parents and teens have united to stand against what was once thought to be a reputable family organization, promoting other alternatives like American Heritage Girls and Little Flowers Girls Club and rejecting the purchase of the group's beloved cookies.

Ruse, who has two daughters of his own, believes that saying "no" to Girl Scout cookies will raise awareness among the public that Girl Scouts partners with Planned Parenthood and give the Girl

Scouts "pause" in their relationship with the group.

"It's not anyone's goal to put the Girl Scouts out of business," he explained to CP. "Rather it is for the Girl Scouts to correct their actions."

While some parents who share the same concerns as Ruse will seek to pull their children out from the Girl Scouts, others, Ruse noted, might stay in the organization to "work from within for the desired change."

"Both are perfectly acceptable alternatives to fix the problem of the Girl Scouts partnering with Planned Parenthood."

Ruse's wife, Cathy, recently wrote an article in the Washington Times also asking the public to "forgo the Thin Mints this year because of the far-left sociopolitical agenda pushed by Girl Scouts HQ."

She highlighted several situations where the Girl Scouts pushed their "pro-choice" agenda, stating that more than 16 Girl Scout councils admitted to partnering with Planned Parenthood, despite the organization's purported "neutral" stance on abortion or birth control.

Columnist Robert McCartney recently responded to the boycotts taking place throughout the nation, asking Americans not to "fall for smears against the Girl Scouts," whom he believed to be a "patriotic, faith-affirming, achievement-oriented group."

"It's ill-informed nonsense," McCartney penned regarding all of the opinions by religious conservatives who saw "something very different" in the Girl Scouts.

"Conservative activists have used social media to encourage parents to boycott cookie sales, pull their daughters out of scouts and push churches not to provide meeting spaces for troops."

Stressing that the Girl Scouts have repeatedly told the public that they had no position on abortion and no relationship with Planned Parenthood, despite what the critics said, McCartney urged, "Let's all cast a vote for girls with backpacks and against disinformation. When the neighborhood girls ring your doorbell, order an extra couple of boxes."

He also pointed out that according to Lidia Soto-Harmon, the chief executive of the Washington area council, initial orders of Girl Scout cookies were actually up more than 6 percent considering the boycotts.

Nonetheless, Rue and his wife are continuing to spread awareness through their efforts to quell Girl Scout cookie sales.

"It's a sacrifice, because I love the cookies and the cuties who sell them, but enough is enough," Cathy wrote.

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Successful Battles Against Planned Parenthood

BEGINNING THE FIGHT AGAINST PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Since 1985, STOPP's newsletter has chronicled some of the victories pro-lifers have had against Planned Parenthood. Here, below, are some examples. STOPP wants to make it clear that we attribute ALL of STOPP's success to the fact that we proclaim ourselves as a Christian organization. It is Jesus Christ who guides our efforts and allows our success. It is only through HIM that we can accomplish anything.

Monrovia, California

In 2001, pro-lifers from Monrovia, CA swung into action when they found out Planned Parenthood planned to open a new abortion clinic in their city. Monrovians against Planned Parenthood (MAPP) began their fight in prayer, and they got the local clergy involved. MAPP's president, John O'Neill, contacted STOPP for advice. MAPP found out that that an existing PP clinic had been getting rent-free space at the county health department for 35 years. The pro-lifers wrote a letter of protest and only one week later the chief of the county's public health operations wrote to PP telling it to vacate the Monrovia Health Center. MAPP flooded the city with letters opposing the new PP abortion clinic as well. They held several rallies, picketed, and spoke out at city council meetings. The crowds at these meetings became so large that they overflowed outside of the city hall. Then MAPP led a court battle against the city. Their lawsuit claimed the city interpreted zoning codes so that Planned Parenthood's plans would not be subjected to public notice requirements. As a result of MAPP's persistent pressure on the city, Monrovia ended up buying the brand new abortion facility from PP in 2002 for over \$800,000 and is tearing it down under the guise of redevelopment of the neighborhood. The PP abortion facility never opened, and no babies were killed there as a result! MAPP's website is at: www.mappconnect.org.

Lancaster, Pennsylvania

When Planned Parenthood announced that it would do abortions at its clinic in Lancaster, pro-lifers swung into action. STOPP was invited to speak several times in the city and served as a strategy consultant. Regular pickets of Planned Parenthood's facility were begun. Pro-lifers also contacted the boards of all the area hospitals and initiated legal challenges. Lancaster United for Life argued that abortions were not allowed at that clinic under the existing zoning laws. At first the Lancaster zoning hearing board and the city zoning officer determined that abortions could be performed at the clinic. Had pro-lifers given up at this point, babies would now be dying at PP's Lime St. clinic. Instead they persisted in a two-year battle and organized an appeal of the zoning board's ruling in the courts. On June 6, 2001, the Pennsylvania State Supreme Court refused to hear an appeal from Planned Parenthood over a lower court decision that found in favor of the pro-lifers. During the battle 40,000 people signed a petition against the abortion clinic!

Dutchess County, New York

From 1985 to 1992, STOPP was involved in the battle to end county funding of PP in Dutchess County, New York. In the beginning, the Dutchess County Legislature voted overwhelmingly in favor of funding PP (26-9). STOPP publicized the recorded vote as a means of persuading pro-lifers to put pressure on and educate the pro-PP legislators. Hundreds of pro-lifers attended the county budget hearings to protest this abuse of their tax dollars. In 1986, STOPP succeeded in having the Dutchess County Legislature remove a school based clinic advocacy program from a funding bill of an agency sponsored by the Dutchess County Youth Bureau. In 1989, STOPP got a local PP Girl Scout program cancelled. By 1990, STOPP succeeded in having the Dutchess County Legislature stop funding PP through the County Youth Bureau. And finally, after seven years of patient and relentless effort by STOPP, the tables turned and the Dutchess County Legislature voted in 1992 to defund PP completely (26-9)! The very tactics described in detail in STOPP's Plan For Defeating Planned Parenthood related to defeating government funding were honed in this battle. STOPP's efforts in this region also postponed the opening of a PP abortion mill for a few years in Poughkeepsie, NY.

South Carolina

When Planned Parenthood announced that it was looking to open a new clinic in Beaufort, local pro-lifers invited STOPP to come to town and make presentations about PP. STOPP visited Beaufort twice. The second time, PP used its influence in Washington to get a talk by STOPP at the local military base canceled. The meeting was quickly rearranged and held in a church hall. Despite pro-lifers best efforts, Planned Parenthood opened its clinic in 2001. But the work of the pro-lifers paid off. Planned Parenthood was never able to attract customers to its facility and could not get community support. Nine months after opening, it closed down.

Lincoln, Nebraska

Nebraska was the site of one of STOPP's first full-day seminars on Planned Parenthood. Pro-lifers turned out for the event in the late 1980s and helped spread the word about the true nature of PP. During the 1990's, Lincoln, Nebraska pro-lifers came out by the hundreds to protest a \$13,000 city grant to PP. Thanks to their efforts, over a span of four years at the city council meetings, the grant was ended.



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Hancock, New York

Starting in 1992, pro-lifers in Delaware County, NY began using STOPP's tactics after STOPP's president, Jim Sedlak, gave a presentation to local pastors. These pastors then motivated members of their flock to oppose a new PP clinic. Pro-lifers formed Delaware County Right to Life and were eventually successful in 1999 in getting PP to close a clinic it opened in 1993 in Hancock, NY. Along the way they got PP kicked out of two facilities run by Delaware Valley Hospital in Delaware County, NY, helped establish the Lourdes Hospital Prenatal Clinic in Hancock as an alternative to PP, cut back a program Delaware County had with PP for family planning "education," stopped a proposed school based clinic in Hancock, opposed a condom-pushing PP affiliated AIDS task force, and picketed a Binghamton, NY abortionist weekly for several years until he closed his doors in 2002. For more detail on how Delaware County Right to Life put STOPP's methods into action visit DCRTL's website at: <http://dcrtl.tripod.com>

Texas

Texas pro-lifers have always been receptive of STOPP's message and have opposed Planned Parenthood. When Rev. John Yanta was pastor of a parish in San Antonio, he hosted a STOPP speaking tour revealing the truth about PP. Then, when Fr. Yanta was named auxiliary bishop of San Antonio, he invited STOPP back to give sessions on Planned Parenthood to all the respect life leaders in the diocese.

In 1997, when Bishop John W. Yanta was installed as bishop of the Diocese of Amarillo, there were eighteen Planned Parenthood clinics in the diocese. He immediately invited STOPP to come to Amarillo and educate the diocesan pro-lifers on PP. He stated a goal of seeing all the PP facilities shut down. In the year 2001, there were only five PP facilities left! One of Bishop Yanta's first public appearances as Bishop of Amarillo was at a protest of a Planned Parenthood fundraiser where abortionist Henry Foster was the featured speaker. Bishop Yanta has continually taken a strong stand against Planned Parenthood and the culture of death by attending many of the weekly prayer vigils that take place outside Planned Parenthood facilities throughout the diocese. He also established a weekly diocesan Respect Life Mass. In October of 1998, he sent a message to all Catholics of the diocese regarding Planned Parenthood: "As your bishop and shepherd, I ask all Catholics not to use their services, not to belong to any of their boards, not to serve as a volunteer and not to be employed there. In resigning your employment there, I will be happy to assist you in finding employment elsewhere so you will not be cooperating in these immoral practices and being a source of scandal both within and outside the Church and community. I make this plea, in love, as my duty to continue the mission of Jesus Christ: to teach, to sanctify and to govern."

Danville, Iowa

Planned Parenthood was planning to have Girl Talk II A Mother/Daughter Overnight Retreat at the Girl Scout Camp L-Kee-ta Troop House in Danville, Iowa in April 2001. A pro-lifer sent anti-PP packets to the Girl Scout Camp and to the Girl Scouts of Shining Trial Council, Inc. and to the Girl Scout Council's elected officers and members of their board. One day before the talk, Des Moines County Sheriff Mike Johnston reported that the PP event at the camp was canceled.

Coronado, California

The PP website for teens (www.teenwire.com) is so disgusting that in 2002, when John Bowen, a father in Coronado, CA, showed some of its pages to the local school board, the board promptly canceled Planned Parenthood presentations in the school's health classes. John said, "What's important here is that there wasn't a person that I brought this information to who wasn't surprised. One board member spoke up and said she was a pretty liberal person herself and that she was shocked by what she saw" (San Diego News Notes, 5/5/02).

Wisconsin

After STOPP revealed that Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin was PP's largest affiliate in the nation, pro-lifers in Wisconsin, including Pro-Life Wisconsin and Missionaries to the Pre-born, decided to focus their efforts on fighting PP. STOPP was invited to do a statewide tour and also to give a full-day seminar.

In 2000, STOPP received the following account of the closing of one of PP's Wisconsin clinics from Mark Gabriel who works with Missionaries to the Pre-born.

"For about four months, I joined a faithful little group once a week to hold signs, pray, talk to people about PP and abortion, hand out literature, etc., at the New London Planned Parenthood facility. Praise be to God, they are now closed! No small stir was caused in that town of about 6,500. PP had been there for years, but when a few Christians decided to get serious about resisting the devil, he fled!"

"The same thing happened in the town of Cedarburg, a sort of quaint old German tourist town, located north of Milwaukee. I had nothing to do with that one, though I believe another group of local saints picketed there... Many regular pickets started up after the Unmasking Planned Parenthood Tour last summer. We did large, high traffic street presentations to expose their evil deeds in all 27 cities where they had facilities. We passed out thousands of pieces of literature in the neighborhoods of the towns and cities we visited too."

Sullivan County, New York

In 1986, STOPP supporters in Sullivan County, NY defeated an effort by Planned Parenthood to have its programs funded through the Sullivan County Board of Supervisors. In 1987, STOPP supporters in Sullivan County managed to keep a PP style sex ed program out of the Minisink School District despite \$10,000 in funding secured by the program's backers. STOPP supporters in Sullivan County were so effective against PP that in November, 1987 PP to begin training people in other agencies to present PP programs!

Mt. Vernon, New York

The school district in Mt. Vernon, NY was the site of Planned Parenthood's model sex education program for the country. It was operating in the fifth through the eighth grade. In 1986, the Family Life Education coordinator in the school was working to get the program expanded down to the fourth and up to the ninth grade. She was also trying to get a school-based clinic installed in the school. STOPP was asked to get involved and worked with local parents for over three years in educating the community. In 1987, STOPP supporters in Mt. Vernon got 20% of fifth grade parents to keep their children out of the sex ed program. The result of their persistent activity was that the school-based clinic was thrown-out of Mt. Vernon schools, the sex ed program was not expanded to other grades and was in fact scaled back in content, and the position of Family Life Education Coordinator was eliminated!

Onteora, New York

In 1986, STOPP supporters in the Onteora (NY) School District were able to get Planned Parenthood barred from their

schools after PP gave an offensive program to seventh graders that included passing around contraceptives and a price list. Parents took their objections to the school principal and his action was swift and decisive.

Baldwinsville, New York

In 1987, STOPP supporters in Baldwinsville, NY were able to reverse a school board vote approving a Family Life Education program and began a lengthy information campaign which exposed the program and the PP type organizations who were pushing it. STOPP supporters in Baldwinsville succeeded in having a Peer Education program shelved because of fear of community reaction.

Hyde Park, New York

Hyde Park is in Dutchess County, NY - site of the STOPP battle against Planned Parenthood described earlier. In 1989, STOPP supporters in Hyde Park (NY) found PP's Family Life Education manual in the schools and school officials, not wanting to be drawn in to the local major controversy, immediately took steps to remove all PP material from the schools.

Dover, New York

Dover is also in Dutchess County, NY and parents there found objectionable sex ed material in the schools and began a concerted effort which resulted in the removal of the material from the Dover/Wingdale School District.

Plattsburgh, New York

Plattsburgh, NY is on the Canadian border and has strong local pro-life leaders. During the late 1980s, STOPP was invited to do a full-day seminar and also do other talks on the truth about Planned Parenthood.

The headline in the May 12, 1990 edition of the Press-Republican newspaper in Plattsburgh, New York read: "United Way drops Planned Parenthood." The article went on to explain that the United Way of Clinton County had decided to drop Northern Adirondack Planned Parenthood from its list of member agencies. Planned Parenthood had been receiving funds from the United Way for thirteen years and received \$16,000 that year. Area pro-lifers had fought Planned Parenthood funding for many years and were successful in convincing many to contribute directly to charities rather than using the United Way. As a result, the United Way campaign failed to meet its goals in 1989 and in 1990. The executive director of United Way of Clinton County told the press that "in order to raise the necessary resources (United Way) would have to part company with Planned Parenthood." The success of pro-lifers in Clinton County, New York shows that we must be persistent if we are to win. United Way officials stated that the final decision came after a poll of local residents showed a 65-70% of the respondents stated that Planned Parenthood's association with the United Way had an adverse effect on the United Way's ability to raise funds.

Huntsville, Alabama

In the 1980's, pro-lifers in Huntsville, Alabama successfully defeated a school-based clinic and in 1986 they began a fight against the city, which was giving PP free office space. Although their initial attempts were met with a lot of "buck passing," these pro-lifers didn't give up the fight and by 1990 the city finally forced PP to pay for its office space.

Springfield, Illinois

STOPP gave its full-day seminar in the Springfield area and local pro-lifers were inspired to form a group they named Springfield STOPP. Members of Springfield STOPP stacked up an impressive string of victories over Planned Parenthood - Springfield Area (PPSA) by 1996. These included getting PPSA banned from Springfield School District 186, the Porta School District, and the Petersburg School District.

Sarasota, Florida

In the mid 1990's, STOPP joined with Voices for the Preborn to expose Planned Parenthood of Sarasota's intention to start committing abortions, which despite its initial denials, it eventually did. All the publicity and public outcry resulted in the Sarasota County Commission deciding not to give PP \$15,000 for teenage education programs. Additionally, the United Way of South Sarasota County decided to drop PP from its supported organizations.

San Juan, New Mexico

In the late 1990's, the San Juan Sun newspaper in San Juan, New Mexico had been, for months, carrying a column titled "Ask P.P." In this column, readers wrote and ask questions related to women's health. Planned Parenthood, as the supposed expert, answered the questions in the column. Local pro-lifers were outraged and the San Juan County Right to Life began a project to put an end to this column. They began educating the paper's staff. When that didn't result in any change, they headed a campaign which included letters to the editor, telephone calls and radio spots. Local pastors were contacted, educated about Planned Parenthood and urged to contact the paper's publisher. After several months of persistent activity, the publisher decided to drop Planned Parenthood's column.

Boonville, New York

In 1997, as soon as Vickie and Joe Kraeger found out that Planned Parenthood had made plans to open an office in Boonville with a group of local doctors, the Kraegers immediately went to picket the doctors' office with signs and literature. Soon a doctor came out to talk to them and agreed to postpone the PP grand opening. The Kraegers then contacted pro-life pastors and lay people and collected over 700 signatures on a petition against the clinic. Boonville Area STOPP was formed and group members spoke out at the local Chamber of Commerce meeting to alert the members to the harmful effects of having PP in the community. A presentation was made to the village board as well which included presenting the board with copies of the petition. Because of the action of the pro-life community in Boonville the doctors changed their minds and no PP office was opened there.

Rockland County, New York

For many years pro-lifers in Rockland County, NY fought county funding of PP. Then, in 1996, the legislature voted against the \$18,000 funding PP was requesting for the following year. Persistence paid off!

Ukiah, California

The Planned Parenthood abortion facility in Ukiah, CA was opened in 1989. It was picketed weekly, and at times twice weekly, by local pro-lifers. In 1993, Planned Parenthood tried to raise money off the picketers by instituting an "Adopt a Picketeer" program whereby PP supporters would pledge money based upon the number of picketers present. The pro-lifers ignored this tactic and continued picketing, praying, and sidewalk counseling. In 1994, the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe was brought to the site where the Rosary was prayed and a priest from the nearby Mt. Tabor Monastery recited an exorcism prayer. Seven months later, on Dec. 14, 1994, the Ukiah Daily Journal reported that the executive director of PP announced the closing of the killing center saying, "We're in a grave financial situation." This

story shows the power of prayer and that pro-lifers need to ignore "Adopt a Picketeer" programs.

Raleigh, North Carolina

In the 1980s, pro-lifers in North Carolina sponsored a statewide Mountains-to-Coast speaking tour by STOPP revealing the truth about Planned Parenthood. In 1993, Planned Parenthood of the Capital and Coast received \$22,500 from the Raleigh City Council. In 1994, Planned Parenthood sought to increase the amount to \$38,000. Pro-lifers in the region found out about this and launched a campaign to end the city's funding of PP. The battle lasted three months. Pro-lifers wrote letters, made phone calls and spoke out at the city council meetings in an effort to expose the true nature of PP. The city council not only refused the increase PP was seeking, but reduced the amount 11 percent from what it got the year before.

Hamilton County, New York

In 1988, Hamilton County pro-lifers succeeded in getting their county board of supervisors to end all funding of Planned Parenthood. Supervisor Morrison J. Hosley, Jr., of Long Lake said, "I'm so joyous this board has moved to quit giving county money to Murder, Inc." He added, "We have finally been released from the black cloud of death."

Fulton County, New York

In 1988, the Perth Bible Church discovered that the Fulton County, NY preliminary budget had \$7,000 earmarked for Planned Parenthood. They launched an all out effort to educate the county board of supervisors on the true nature of PP which resulted in the board voting to end the funding.

Morris County, New Jersey

In 1988, pro-lifers in Morris County, NJ defeated \$30,000 in funding for Planned Parenthood.

Long Island, New York

In the mid 90s, when pro-lifers in Suffolk County, NY learned that PP was scheduled to give a workshop during a health fair at the Lindenhurst High School they began complaining to the school. Soon the Diocese of Rockville Center became involved and urged churches to run announcements in parish bulletins calling for Catholic teens to boycott the health fair. The school principal withdrew the invitation to Planned Parenthood citing concerns about people picketing and putting school policies into question. The ripple effect of this battle was felt in Riverhead, Long Island where the local high school decided not to send its students to a PP conference and in Bellmore where a school workshop on puberty was canceled because the group that was going to present it had a connection to PP.

Troy, New York

In the early 1990s, pro-lifers in Troy, NY found out that Planned Parenthood was filing a "Certificate of Need" with the state health department for a proposed abortion clinic in that city. They mounted a fight against it by demonstrating, writing letters and attending meetings and praying. Despite their efforts the state health department granted permission for the abortion clinic. However, during this fight the landlord of the building PP was renting fell upon hard financial times and sold the building. The new landlord terminated the lease with PP. In 2002, Planned Parenthood was operating an abortion clinic in Troy, so it might seem that the pro-lifers eventually failed. Not so! Every day pro-lifers delay the opening of a Planned Parenthood abortion clinic is a day that no babies will die there. Surely, if the efforts of these Troy pro-lifers saved even only one baby from death, the efforts were a victory.

Bettendorf, Iowa

Pro-lifers in Bettendorf invited STOPP to do a series of talks on PP as they were opposing the opening of a Planned Parenthood education office in the quad-cities area. Although warned that PP would eventually want to do abortions in the area, local politicians believed PP when it said it would never do abortions and only wanted to open an education office.

Then, in 1995, Planned Parenthood announced that it wanted to build an abortion clinic in Bettendorf, Iowa. Pro-lifers mobilized and fought hard. They prayed, picketed, gathered about 4500 signatures on a petition against the abortion facility, and spoke out at the city council meetings urging the council not to allow the abortion clinic to be built. They even got local realtors involved. These realtors did an extensive study which they presented to the city council. The study concluded that the PP abortion facility would have a detrimental impact on the community as a whole, and on property values in particular. The city sided with the pro-lifers. Planned Parenthood was forced to take the city to court four times during a span of about 5 years. After repeated attempts, Planned Parenthood finally convinced a judge to order the city not to enforce its zoning ordinances. The first killings at the PP facility took place in 2000. While this may seem like a defeat, think of the many babies that weren't aborted because of the huge delay pro-lifers caused in the opening of the PP killing center. Furthermore, the pro-lifers did not give up. They continue a prayerful peaceful protest at the abortuary and they established a crisis pregnancy center right across the street from the PP killing center to help save even more babies.

College Station, Texas

Pro-lifers in College Station invited STOPP to give presentations in the area when they found out that Planned Parenthood of Houston and Southeast Texas wanted to do abortions at its clinic near Texas A&M. Although PP eventually opened its abortion facility, its plans were delayed for a number of years and local pro-lifers succeeded in making PP (which had been in town for over 20 years) into a controversial organization. PP was thrown out of the Chamber of Commerce and pro-lifer's activities are so persistent that national PP leaders still refer to the area as the most "anti-choice" area in which PP operates. The group in that region leading the fight is The Brazos Valley Coalition for Life. Its website is at: <http://coalitionforlife.com/>

Houston, Texas

Building on their efforts in College Station, pro-lifers are also now fighting other clinics run by Planned Parenthood of Houston and Southeast Texas. In 2002, after becoming informed about the offensive nature of the Planned Parenthood promoted book, "It's Perfectly Normal," at a Houston Coalition for Life informational meeting, one of the attendees of the event mobilized citizens of Montgomery County to have the book removed from local libraries. As a result, Montgomery county commissioners agreed to ban the obscene material. The shocking book targets children "age 10 and up" with dozens of indecent cartoon pictures. The controversy was covered on multiple major television networks and news radio stations. The Houston Coalition for Life website is at: <http://houstoncoalition.com/>

Menlo Park, California

In 1999, The Menlo Park (Calif.) Planned Parenthood Clinic on Middlefield Road, site of numerous anti-abortion protests, closed its doors. PP claimed that shifting demographics led to the decision to sell the Menlo Park clinic. But

clinic was the site of weekly anti-abortion protests held by Belmont resident Ross Foli. The protests were so effective that the city enacted a sign law which banned signs on public streets, sidewalks and walkways and limited to three square feet the size of signs carried, by protesters.

Saratoga County, New York

In the mid 1980's, the Saratoga County, NY board of supervisors voted 17 to 6 to drop Planned Parenthood from its list of agencies approved to receive state aid. One supervisor stated, "It's a question of whether the county wants to give... public funds to a national organization that has abortion as its goal. It's a question of whether this organization is good for our society."

Charlotte, North Carolina

In 1985, pro-lifers in Charlotte, NC started a battle against county funding of Planned Parenthood. The funding had started in 1978. During the first year of the battle they were not able to convince any county commissioners to vote against PP. In 1986, the vote was 5 -2 in favor of PP. But in 1988, after PP was getting over \$100,000 yearly from the county, the commissioners voted 4 -3 against Planned Parenthood funding. Persistence and prayer pay off!

Sussex County, New Jersey

In the late 1980's, pro-lifers in Sussex County, NJ succeeded in getting all county funding for Planned Parenthood removed from the budget.

Trinidad, Colorado

The Pueblo Chieftain newspaper reported on March 24, 1989 that pro-lifers in Trinidad, CO had attained a major victory over Planned Parenthood. After months of activity, which included prayer, and the sending of 1,000 postcards to the chairman of the Animas county health board, the pro-lifers were able to have the health board vote 5-2 not to renew PP's lease and have PP move out of Animas county health department's offices.

Canastota, New York

In the 1980's, parents in Canastota, NY conducted an effective fight against a harmful Planned Parenthood program in their schools. PP apparently recruited a qualified counselor to interest the local school board in starting a PP sponsored program to counsel children in the school who had been victims of child abuse. Parents publicly decried the fact that an organization that killed children in the womb and inflicted mental child abuse on children, through its sex ed programs, was trying to "buy" public support by sponsoring a small "good" program. After a very heated public debate the school board was swayed by the qualifications of the counselor and agreed to the program. But six months later the counselor left the area and the school board later told parents they decided not to restart the PP program because of all the controversy it generated among the parents.

Watertown, New York

For almost 20 years Planned Parenthood had been receiving funds through the Jefferson County, NY budget. The budget for 1990 was passed with a total of \$13,700 in funds for PP. Members of Right to Life of Watertown asked to have the monies withheld. They mounted an effective campaign which raised the issue of parental involvement. As a result, the PP funds were tabled for a month. During this month, the pro-lifers educated the county legislators about PP. The pro-lifers exposed some examples of PP's obscene literature and showed the legislators that, despite PP's claims to the contrary, it was lobbying for abortion freedom at the state level. After all this activity the legislators voted to de-fund PPI

San Diego, California

In 2002, one woman, Pat Martin, of San Diego, CA took it upon herself to oppose a PP home tour fundraiser in her neighborhood. She prayed, fasted, sought the intercession of The Blessed Mother, contacted STOPP for advice, circulated a petition, wrote a letter to the local newspaper, and planned a prayer vigil to coincide with the day of PP's home tours. Soon, local newspapers and television were interviewing her. She had to defend herself by responding to attacks in the letters to the editor column of the San Diego Tribune. On the day of the prayer vigil there were enough people present to keep the 50-person tent she obtained full for six hours. Two TV stations sent crews to cover the vigil. While PP went ahead with the home tours, Pat's efforts were a public relations victory for the pro-lifers. Pat used PP's own event to focus the region on the truth about PP and abortion.

Houghton, Michigan

In 2001, Copper Country Pro-Life (CCPL) mounted an intense campaign against a new Planned Parenthood clinic in Houghton, MI. CCPL educated the community about the evils of PP via letters to the editor and a series of presentations by STOPP. The local Catholic Bishop, Most Rev. James Garland, joined with a letter of his own urging people to defend themselves against PP. A large banner that said "Planned Parenthood Kills Babies" was hung on the side of a local bridge and picketers began a regular presence at the clinic. Then the city threatened to pass a sign ordinance that would have severely restricted the protestor's rights. The pro-lifers said they would take the matter to court and the city backed down. The pro-life protesters plan to continue the efforts as long as the clinic is open. CCPL leader, Pastor Keith Snyder, says, "They hope for an early end to the battle, but as long as the clinic is open, it provides a focus for the efforts of those who desire to call people to repentance for their selfishness, sexual immorality, and willingness to sacrifice the next generation on the altar of convenience." CCPL's website is <http://www.disinformed.org>.



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INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE & DISRUPTION AGAINST ABORTION PROVIDERS IN THE U.S. & CANADA

VIOLENCE	1977-94	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	TOTAL
Murder ¹	5	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	8
Attempted Murder	11	1	1	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17
Bombing ¹	29	1	2	6	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41
Arson ¹	124	14	3	8	4	8	2	2	1	3	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	175
Attempted Bomb/Arson ¹	64	1	4	2	5	1	3	2	0	0	1	6	4	2	1	1	1	2	100
Invasion	347	4	0	7	5	3	4	2	1	0	0	0	4	7	6	1	0	0	391
Vandalism	585	31	29	105	46	63	56	58	60	48	49	83	72	59	45	40	22	27	1478
Trespassing	0	0	0	0	0	193	81	144	163	66	67	633	336	122	148	104	45	69	2171
Butyric Acid Attacks	80	0	1	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Anthrax/Bioterrorism Threats	0	0	0	0	12	35	30	554	23	0	1	0	0	1	3	2	1	1	663
Assault & Battery	95	2	1	9	4	2	7	2	1	7	8	8	11	12	6	9	4	3	191
Death Threats	225	41	13	11	25	13	9	14	3	7	4	10	10	13	2	16	2	2	420
Kidnapping	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
Burglary	34	3	6	6	6	4	5	6	1	9	5	11	30	12	7	12	13	8	178
Stalking ²	200	61	52	67	13	13	17	10	12	3	15	8	6	19	19	1	7	1	524
TOTAL	1801	159	112	223	144	336	215	795	265	143	152	761	474	249	237	187	95	113	6461
DISRUPTION																			
Hate Mail/Harassing Calls	1833	255	605	2829	915	1646	1011	404	230	432	453	515	548	522	396	1699	404	365	15062
Email/Internet Harassment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	70	51	77	25	38	44	16	44	17	406
Hoax Device/Susp. Package	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	13	9	16	17	23	24	17	8	2	170
Bomb Threats	311	41	13	79	31	39	20	31	7	17	13	11	7	6	13	4	12	1	656
Picketing ⁴	7768	1356	3932	7518	8402	8727	8478	9969	10241	11348	11640	13415	13505	11113	12503	8388	6347	4780	159430
TOTAL	9912	1652	4550	10426	9348	10412	9509	10404	10543	11880	12166	14034	14102	11702	12980	10124	6815	5165	175724
CLINIC BLOCKADES																			
Number of Incidents	634	5	7	25	2	3	4	2	4	10	34	4	13	7	8	1	1	5	769
Number of Arrests ³	33661	54	65	29	16	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	33834

All numbers represent incidents reported to or obtained by NAF. Actual incidents are likely much higher. Tabulation of trespassing began in 1999 and tabulation of email harassment and hoax devices began in 2002.

1. Incidents recorded are those classified as such by the appropriate law enforcement agency. Incidents that were ruled inconclusive or accidental are not included.

2. Stalking is defined as the persistent following, threatening, and harassing of an abortion provider, staff member, or patient away from the clinic. Tabulation of stalking incidents began in 1993.

3. The "number of arrests" represents the total number of arrests, not the total number of persons arrested. Many blockaders are arrested multiple times.

4. NAF changed its method of collecting this data in 2011.

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HISTORY OF VIOLENCE/Extreme Violence

The following are incidents of extreme violence reported to or obtained by NAF.

For complete information on incidents of violence in the U.S. and Canada, see our Violence Statistics. Our Chronological Histories of Violence detail acts of violence against individuals involved in reproductive health care.

Violence Statistics for 2009

DATE	STATE/PROVINCE/TERR.	TYPE	ESTDAMAGE	CASE STATUS
5/2009	Kansas	MURDER		Dr. George Tiller was shot and killed in his church in Wichita, Kansas. Anti-abortion extremist Scott Roeder confessed to the murder and was found guilty of first-degree murder and two counts of aggravated assault and sentenced to life in prison with the possibility of parole in 50 years.

Violence Statistics for 2007

DATE	STATE/PROVINCE/TERR.	TYPE	ESTDAMAGE	CASE STATUS
12/2007	New Mexico	ARSON		Chad Altman and Sergio Baca pled guilty to conspiracy to commit arson and are awaiting sentencing.
5/2007	Virginia	ARSON		Remains open

Violence Statistics for 2005

DATE	STATE/PROVINCE/TERR.	TYPE	ESTDAMAGE	CASE STATUS
7/2005	Florida	ARSON		Remains open
1/2005	Washington	ARSON	\$500,000	Remains open

Violence Statistics for 2004

DATE	STATE/PROVINCE/TERR.	TYPE	ESTDAMAGE	CASE STATUS
7/2004	Florida	ARSON		Remain open
1/2004	Florida	ARSON		Remains open

Violence Statistics for 2003

DATE	STATE/PROVINCE/TERR.	TYPE	ESTDAMAGE	CASE STATUS
9/2003	Indiana	ARSON	\$2,000	Remains open
5/2003	Florida	ARSON		Remains open
1/2003	Illinois	ARSON		Remains open

Violence Statistics for 2002

DATE	STATE/PROVINCE/TERR.	TYPE	ESTDAMAGE	CASE STATUS
6/2002	Texas	ARSON		Remains open

Violence Statistics for 2001

DATE	STATE/PROVINCE/TERR.	TYPE	ESTDAMAGE	CASE STATUS
6/2001	Washington	ARSON		Remains open
6/2001	Washington	BOMB	\$6,000	Remains open
4/2001	Kentucky	ARSON		Remains open

Violence Statistics for 2000

DATE	STATE/PROVINCE/TERR.	TYPE	ESTDAMAGE	CASE STATUS
7/2000	Vancouver	STABBING		
5/2000	New Hampshire	ARSON	\$20,000	Remains open
4/2000	Kentucky	ARSON		Remains open
4/2000	Florida	ARSON	\$2-3,000	Remains open

Violence Statistics for 1999

DATE	STATE/PROVINCE/TERR.	TYPE	ESTDAMAGE	CASE STATUS
8/1999	New Hampshire	ARSON	Approx. \$20,000	Remains open
7/1999	California	ARSON	Minimal damage to the clinic. Approx \$100,000 damage to the building housing the clinic.	Benjamin Matthew Williams and James Tyler Williams pled guilty and were sentenced to 21-30 years in jail for this fire and three synagogue arsons.
5/1999	New Mexico	ARSON	\$5,000	Ricky Lee McDonald pleaded guilty and was sentenced to five years in jail.
4/1999	Wisconsin	ARSON	\$500	Remains open
3/1999	Wisconsin	ARSON	\$1,000	Peter Quinn, 17 admitted to this arson. He is being charged in state court as an adult.
3/1999	Wisconsin	ARSON	Minimal	Peter Quinn, 17 admitted to this arson. He is being charged in state court as an adult.
3/1999	South Dakota	ARSON	Minimal	Martin Uphoff was convicted of using explosives during a felony, and vandalism to a facility providing health care services (a FACE charge). Uphoff was sentenced to 60 months for the felony and 6 months for the FACE charge, to be served concurrently.
3/1999	New Mexico	ARSON	\$3,000	Ricky Lee McDonald pleaded guilty and was sentenced to five years in jail.
3/1999	North Carolina	BOMB	Minimal	Remains open

Violence Statistics for 1998

DATE	STATE/PROVINCE/TERR.	TYPE	ESTDAMAGE	CASE STATUS
10/1998	New York	SHOOTING		Dr. Barnett Slepian was shot and killed in his home in Amherst, New York.

				James Kopp was convicted of second-degree murder in state court and received the maximum sentence of twenty-five years to life in prison. He was also convicted and sentenced to life on federal charges of violating the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act.
9/1998	North Carolina	ARSON	\$200	Remains open
9/1998	North Carolina	ARSON	\$17,000	Remains open
9/1998	North Carolina	ARSON	\$7,000	Remains open
7/1998	Texas	ACID	Unknown	
7/1998	Louisiana	ACID	Unknown	
7/1998	Louisiana	ACID	\$13,000	
7/1998	Louisiana	ACID	Unknown	
7/1998	Louisiana	ACID	Unknown	
7/1998	Texas	ACID	Unknown	
7/1998	Texas	ACID	Unknown	
7/1998	Texas	ACID	Unknown	
7/1998	Louisiana	ACID	Unknown	
5/1998	Florida	ACID	Unknown	
5/1998	Florida	ACID	Unknown	
5/1998	Florida	ACID	Unknown	
5/1998	Florida	ACID	Unknown	
5/1998	Florida	ACID	Unknown	
5/1998	Florida	ACID	Unknown	
5/1998	Florida	ACID	\$3,000	
5/1998	Florida	ACID	Unknown	
5/1998	Florida	ACID	Unknown	
5/1998	Florida	ACID	Unknown	
5/1998	Florida	ACID	Unknown	
3/1998	California	ARSON	\$5,000	Remains open
1/1998	Alabama	BOMB	\$85,000	Officer Robert Sanderson was killed during a clinic bombing in Birmingham, AL. Emily Lyons, a nurse at the clinic was severely injured in the blast. Eric Robert Rudolph pled guilty and is serving a life sentence for the bombings at Olympic Park, a gay bar, and two abortion clinics including the Birmingham clinic.

Violence Statistics for 1997

DATE	STATE/PROVINCE/TERR.	TYPE	ESTDAMAGE	CASE STATUS
12/1997	New York	ARSON	Minimal	Remains open
11/1997	Manitoba	SHOOTING		Dr. Jack Fainman was shot and injured in his home in Winnipeg, Manitoba. James Kopp is a suspect in the shooting.
10/1997	New York	SHOOTING		An unnamed physician was shot at in his home in Rochester, New York. James Kopp is a suspect in the shooting.
10/1997	Oregon	ARSON	\$5,000	Remains open
8/1997	Alabama	ARSON	\$250,000	Remains open
5/1997	Washington	ARSON	\$1,500	Remains open
5/1997	Oregon	ARSON	\$400,000	Remains open

3/1997	California	BOMB	\$1,000	Container of flammable liquid thrown through the window.
3/1997	Iowa	BOMB	Unknown	Remains open
3/1997	Montana	BOMB	\$2,000	John Yankowski apprehended at clinic; convicted and sentenced to 5 years in prison.
3/1997	North Carolina	BOMB	\$50,000	Remains open
3/1997	California	ARSON	Unknown	Peter Howard, a local activist, put 13 gas cans and 3 propane tanks in his truck and drove it thru the clinic door. He was caught on the scene, pled guilty and was sentenced to 15 yrs in prison and fined \$16,320.87 for damages and restitution.
2/1997	Virginia	ARSON	\$25,000	James Anthony Mitchell of VA pleaded guilty and was sentenced to ten years in jail in September 1997.
1/1997	Oklahoma	ARSON	\$7,000	A juvenile was convicted in this and other arsons and bombings. Name sealed due to age.
1/1997	Oklahoma	BOMB	\$2,500	A juvenile was convicted in this and other arsons and bombings. Name sealed due to age.
1/1997	Georgia	BOMB	\$90,000+	2 explosions. Eric Robert Rudolph is serving a life sentence for the bombings at Olympic Park, a gay bar, and two abortion clinics including the Georgia clinic.

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HISTORY OF VIOLENCE/Murders and Shootings

Anti-abortion extremists perpetrated an unprecedented level of violence in 1993 with the first murder of an abortion provider. Dr. David Gunn was shot and killed by a zealot in Pensacola, FL. Since that time, anti-abortion extremists have murdered or attempted to murder numerous other individuals who were involved in reproductive health care.

A chronology of abortion related murders and shootings follows.

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10/1997	New York	An unnamed physician was shot at in his home in Rochester, New York. James Kopp is a suspect in the shooting.
11/1995	Ontario	Dr. Hugh Short was shot and injured in his home in Ancaster, Ontario. James Kopp has been charged with attempted murder in the shooting.
12/1994	Massachusetts	Shannon Lowney and Leanne Nichols were shot and killed by John Salvi at two clinics in Brookline, Massachusetts. Five others were injured in the attacks. Salvi was sentenced to two life terms but committed suicide in prison in November 1996.
11/1994	Vancouver	Dr. Garson Romalis was shot and seriously wounded in his home in Vancouver, British Columbia. James Kopp is a suspect in the shooting.
7/1994	Florida	Dr. John Bayard Britton and his escort, James H. Barrett were shot and killed in front of a clinic in Pensacola, Florida by Paul J. Hill. June Barrett was also shot and injured in the incident. Hill was executed by lethal injection on September 3, 2003.
8/1993	Kansas	Dr. George Tiller was shot and injured by Rachelle Shannon at his clinic in Wichita, Kansas. Shannon is serving an 11-year sentence for attempted first-degree murder. She is

3/1993	Florida	serving additional prison time for six arsons and two butyric acid attacks Dr. David Gunn was shot to death by Michael Griffin in Pensacola, Florida. Griffin is serving a life sentence for murder
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HISTORY OF VIOLENCE/Arsons and Bombings

Arsons and bombings at clinics can cause widespread destruction. Over 200 of these crimes have been committed against reproductive health care clinics since the mid-1970s.

A chronology of abortion related arsons and bombings follows.

DATE	STATE/PROVINCE/TERR.	TYPE	EST. DAMAGE	CASE STATUS
12/2007	New Mexico	ARSON		Chad Altman and Sergio Baca pled guilty to conspiracy to commit arson and are awaiting sentencing.
5/2007	Virginia	ARSON		Remains open
7/2005	Florida	ARSON		Remains open
1/2005	Washington	ARSON	\$500,000	Remains open
7/2004	Florida	ARSON		Remain open
1/2004	Florida	ARSON		Remains open
9/2003	Indiana	ARSON	\$2,000	Remains open
5/2003	Florida	ARSON		Remains open
1/2003	Illinois	ARSON		Remains open
6/2002	Texas	ARSON		Remains open
6/2001	Washington	BOMB	\$6,000	Remains open
6/2001	Washington	ARSON		Remains open
4/2001	Kentucky	ARSON		Remains open
5/2000	New Hampshire	ARSON	\$20,000	Remains open
4/2000	Kentucky	ARSON		Remains open
4/2000	Florida	ARSON	\$2-3,000	Remains open
8/1999	New Hampshire	ARSON	Approx. \$20,000	Remains open
7/1999	California	ARSON	Minimal damage to the clinic. Approx \$100,000 damage to the building housing the clinic.	Benjamin Matthew Williams and James Tyler Williams pled guilty and were sentenced to 21-30 years in jail for this fire and three synagogue arsons.
5/1999	New Mexico	ARSON	\$5,000	Ricky Lee McDonald pleaded guilty and was sentenced to five years in jail.
4/1999	Wisconsin	ARSON	\$500	Remains open
3/1999	South Dakota	ARSON	Minimal	Martin Uphoff was convicted of using explosives during a felony, and vandalism to a facility providing health

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				Paradise to a facility providing health care services (a FACE charge). Uphoff was sentenced to 60 months for the felony and 6 months for the FACE charge, to be served concurrently.
3/1999	New Mexico	ARSON	\$3,000	Ricky Lee McDonald pleaded guilty and was sentenced to five years in jail.
3/1999	Wisconsin	ARSON	Minimal	Peter Quinn, 17 admitted to this arson. He is being charged in state court as an adult.
3/1999	North Carolina	BOMB	Minimal	Remains open
3/1999	Wisconsin	ARSON	\$1,000	Peter Quinn, 17 admitted to this arson. He is being charged in state court as an adult.
9/1998	North Carolina	ARSON	\$17,000	Remains open
9/1998	North Carolina	ARSON	\$7,000	Remains open
9/1998	North Carolina	ARSON	\$200	Remains open
3/1998	California	ARSON	\$5,000	Remains open
12/1997	New York	ARSON	Minimal	Remains open
10/1997	Oregon	ARSON	\$5,000	Remains open
8/1997	Alabama	ARSON	\$250,000	Remains open
5/1997	Oregon	ARSON	\$400,000	Remains open
5/1997	Washington	ARSON	\$1,500	Remains open
3/1997	Montana	BOMB	\$2,000	John Yankowski apprehended at clinic; convicted and sentenced to 5 years in prison.
3/1997	California	BOMB	\$1,000	Container of flammable liquid thrown through the window.
3/1997	California	ARSON	Unknown	Peter Howard, a local activist, put 13 gas cans and 3 propane tanks in his truck and drove it thru the clinic door. He was caught on the scene, pled guilty and was sentenced to 15 yrs in prison and fined \$16,320.87 for damages and restitution.
3/1997	Iowa	BOMB	Unknown	Remains open
3/1997	North Carolina	BOMB	\$50,000	Remains open
2/1997	Virginia	ARSON	\$25,000	James Anthony Mitchell of VA pleaded guilty and was sentenced to ten years in jail in September 1997.
1/1997	Georgia	BOMB	\$90,000+	2 explosions. Eric Robert Rudolph is serving a life sentence for the bombings at Olympic Park, a gay bar, and two abortion clinics including the Georgia clinic.
1/1997	Oklahoma	ARSON	\$7,000	A juvenile was convicted in this and other arsons and bombings. Name sealed due to age.
1/1997	Oklahoma	BOMB	\$2,500	A juvenile was convicted in this and other arsons and bombings. Name sealed due to age.
11/1996	Missouri	ARSON	\$75,000	A juvenile was convicted in this and other arsons and bombings. Name sealed due to age.
9/1996	Oklahoma	BOMB	\$1,000	A juvenile was convicted in this and other arsons and bombings. Name sealed due to age.
7/1996	Washington	BOMB	\$50,000	Brian Rattigan, Verne Jay Merrell, Charles Barbee and Robert Berry were convicted of conspiring in the bombing of the clinic and a bank robbery.
7/1996	Idaho	ARSON	\$50,000	Remains open

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5/1996	Idaho	ARSON	\$400	Remains open
11/1995	Florida	ARSON	\$100	Remains open
11/1995	Florida	ARSON	\$400	Remains open
9/1995	Wyoming	ARSON	\$50,000	In October 1997, Richard Thomas Andrews was indicted for setting three fires to clinics in Redding and Chico.
8/1995	Florida	ARSON	\$100,000	Remains open
8/1995	Florida	ARSON	\$40,000	Remains open
8/1995	Oregon	ARSON	\$200	Remains open
5/1995	Ohio	BOMB	Minimal	Remains open
3/1995	Virginia	ARSON	under \$5,000	Jennifer Spearle and Ryan Clark Martin were convicted.
2/1995	California	ARSON	\$500	Remains open
2/1995	California	ARSON	\$300	Remains open
2/1995	California	ARSON	\$50,000	Remains open
2/1995	California	ARSON	Minimal	Remains open
2/1995	New Mexico	ARSON	\$5,000	Ricky Lee McDonald arrested by Services ATF 2/24/95 and convicted.
2/1995	Virginia	ARSON	\$500	Remains open
2/1995	California	ARSON	\$1,000	Remains open
1/1995	Pennsylvania	ARSON	unknown	Remains open
1/1995	New Mexico	ARSON	Minimal	Ricky Lee McDonald arrested by ATF 2/24/95 and convicted.
12/1994	Kansas	ARSON	\$3,000	Remains open
12/1994	Virginia	ARSON	\$400	Jennifer Spearle and Ryan Clark Martin were convicted.
12/1994	South Dakota	ARSON	\$1,000	Remains open
11/1994	California	BOMB	Minimal	Remains open
10/1994	California	ARSON	\$500	Remains open
10/1994	Montana	ARSON	\$100,000	In October 1997, Richard Thomas Andrews was indicted for setting three fires to clinics in Redding and Chico.
10/1994	California	ARSON	\$35,000	In October 1997, Richard Thomas Andrews was indicted for setting three fires to clinics in Redding and Chico.
10/1994	California	ARSON	\$3,000	In October 1997, Richard Thomas Andrews was indicted for setting three fires to clinics in Redding and Chico.
8/1994	Minnesota	ARSON	\$373,000	Remains open
8/1994	Ohio	ARSON	\$100	Remains open
7/1994	Virginia	ARSON	\$10,000	Remains open
12/1993	New York	ARSON	\$150	Janet Smith was arrested for throwing two molotov cocktails.
11/1993	Pennsylvania	ARSON	\$500	Remains open
10/1993	Texas	ARSON	\$20,000	On 3/14/94, Joshua Graff pled guilty & was sentenced to 39 months in prison.
9/1993	Pennsylvania	ARSON	\$130,000	Remains open
9/1993	Illinois	ARSON	\$7,500	Remains open
9/1993	California	ARSON	\$1.4 million	Remains open
9/1993	California	BOMB	\$1,000	Remains open
8/1993	Florida	ARSON	\$500,000	Remains open
5/1993	Idaho	ARSON	\$100,000	In October 1997, Richard Thomas Andrews was indicted for setting three

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				fires to clinics in Redding and Chico.
5/1993	Oregon	ARSON	\$5,000	Remains open
3/1993	Montana	ARSON	\$100,000	In October 1997, Richard Thomas Andrews was indicted for setting three fires to clinics in Redding and Chico.
2/1993	Florida	ARSON	\$70,000	Remains open
2/1993	Texas	ARSON	\$625,000	Remains open
12/1992	California	ARSON	\$50,000	Remains open
11/1992	California	ARSON	\$175,000	Rachelle Shannon pled guilty on 6/7/95 to 6 arson incidents and 2 acid incidents. Shannon was convicted of attempted murder of Dr. Tiller of Wichita, KS.
11/1992	Illinois	ARSON	\$2,500	Remains open
9/1992	New Mexico	ARSON	\$500	Remains open
9/1992	Virginia	ARSON	\$25,000	Remains open
9/1992	Oregon	ARSON	\$1,000+	Rachelle Shannon pled guilty on 6/7/95 to 6 arson incidents and 2 acid incidents. Shannon was convicted of attempted murder of Dr. Tiller of Wichita, KS.
9/1992	Nevada	ARSON	\$600	Michael Andrew Fix was arrested on 9/28/92 by NV State Police. He was convicted in state court and sentenced to 2 years in prison.
9/1992	Nevada	ARSON	\$5,000	Michael Andrew Fix was arrested on 9/28/92 by NV State Police. He was convicted in state court and sentenced to 2 years in prison
8/1992	Nevada	ARSON	Minimal	Michael Andrew Fix was arrested on 9/28/92 by NV State Police. He was convicted in state court and sentenced to 2 years in prison.
8/1992	Oregon	ARSON	\$2,500	Rachelle Shannon pled guilty on 6/7/95 to 6 arson incidents and 2 acid incidents. Shannon was convicted of attempted murder of Dr. Tiller of Wichita, KS.
8/1992	California	ARSON	\$5,000	Rachelle Shannon pled guilty on 6/7/95 to 6 arson incidents and 2 acid incidents. Shannon was convicted of attempted murder of Dr. Tiller of Wichita, KS.
7/1992	California	ARSON	\$9,000	Remains open
6/1992	California	ARSON	\$70,000	In October 1997, Richard Thomas Andrews was indicted for setting three fires to clinics in Redding and Chico.
5/1992	Toronto	ARSON		Remains open
3/1992	North Dakota	ARSON	\$2,000	Remains open
3/1992	Oregon	ARSON	\$225,000	Rachelle Shannon pled guilty on 6/7/95 to 6 arson incidents and 2 acid incidents. Shannon was convicted of attempted murder of Dr. Tiller of Wichita, KS.
3/1992	Ohio	ARSON	\$1,000	Remains open
1/1992	Texas	ARSON	\$300,000	Remains open
1/1992	Montana	ARSON	\$75,000	Attributed to Richard Andrews though he was not charged due to statute of limitations.
11/1991	Florida	ARSON	Minimal	Remains open
8/1991	North Carolina	ARSON	\$50,000	Remains open
5/1991	Alabama	ARSON	\$80,000	Remains open

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Date	State	Incident Type	Amount	Status
3/1991	New Jersey	ARSON	\$500,000	Alan Weiselberg pled guilty to insurance and mail fraud. It was a prosecutorial decision not to prosecute on the arson charges.
3/1991	North Carolina	ARSON	Minimal	Robert Hugh Farley arrested 3/91. Committed to mental institution.
3/1991	North Carolina	ARSON	\$100,000	Robert Hugh Farley arrested 3/91. Committed to mental institution.
2/1991	Ohio	ARSON	\$250,000	Remains open
2/1991	Arizona	ARSON	\$300	Remains open
2/1991	Ohio	BOMB	\$10,000	Remains open
11/1990	Indiana	ARSON	\$10,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
9/1990	Massachusetts	ARSON	Minimal	Closed - statute of limitations.
9/1990	California	ARSON	\$50,000	David Brian Martin arrested for burglary; authorities ruled case not abortion-related.
8/1990	Washington	BOMB	\$400	Closed - statute of limitations.
7/1990	California	ARSON	Minimal	Closed - statute of limitations.
7/1990	California	ARSON	\$30,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
5/1990	Oregon	ARSON	\$15,000	Daniel J. Carver indicted by state 6/1/90. Apprehended and pled guilty. Sentenced to three years in prison.
5/1990	New York	ARSON	Minimal	Shari DiNicola, arrested 5/28/90. Self-committed to mental institution. State will not prosecute
3/1990	Arizona	ARSON	Minimal	Closed - statute of limitations.
12/1989	Missouri	ARSON	\$100,000	Two juveniles arrested on state juvenile charges for vandalism.
10/1989	New Jersey	ARSON	Minimal	Marjorie Reed pled guilty to this and multiple other arson charges in 1992.
9/1989	Michigan	BOMB	\$300	Closed - statute of limitations.
9/1989	Pennsylvania	ARSON	\$5,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
7/1989	New Hampshire	ARSON	\$1,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
3/1989	Florida	ARSON	\$50,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
3/1989	Tennessee	ARSON	\$12,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
3/1989	Florida	ARSON	\$60,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
3/1989	Florida	ARSON	\$50,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
12/1988	Texas	ARSON	\$25,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
12/1988	Texas	ARSON	\$2,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
12/1988	Texas	ARSON	\$65,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
10/1988	California	ARSON	\$50,000	Shannon Taylor convicted in state and sentenced to 8 years in prison.
6/1988	California	ARSON	Minimal	Shannon Taylor convicted and sentenced to 8 years in prison.
12/1987	Alabama	ARSON	Minimal	Closed - statute of limitations.
10/1987	Minnesota	ARSON	Minimal	Closed - statute of limitations.
9/1987	Minnesota	ARSON	Minimal	Closed - statute of limitations.
9/1987	Minnesota	ARSON	\$5,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
9/1987	Minnesota	ARSON	Minimal	Closed - statute of limitations.
8/1987	North Dakota	ARSON	\$500	Scott Garman pled guilty. Sentenced to 2 months in prison, 2 years probation, and \$215 fine. A juvenile was tried in state court and sentenced to two years deferred sentence and 100 hours community service.
7/1987	California	BOMB	Minimal	Deanna Susan James Kristal, Cheryl

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7/1987	California	BOMB	Minimal	Dorman Owens, Joanne Kreipel, Cheryl Sullinger, Randy Sullinger, Chris Harmon, Robin Hamon and Erick Svelmoe were convicted of conspiracy and were given sentences ranging from 149 days to five years.
6/1987	Ohio	ARSON	\$1,000	Marjorie Reed pled guilty to this and multiple other arson charges in 1992. She served 5 years and was released in September 1997.
3/1987	Ohio	ARSON	\$1,000	Marjorie Reed pled guilty to this and multiple other arson charges in 1992. She served 5 years and was released in September 1997.
1/1987	Minnesota	ARSON	\$1,500	Mark J. Bundlie confessed to arson. Committed indefinitely to state institution.
1/1987	Illinois	ARSON	Minimal	David Holman pled guilty. Received 18 months imprisonment and 3 years probation.
12/1986	California	ARSON	\$35,000	Frederick Gordan Tipps arrested. Pled guilty to arson to cover burglary.
12/1986	New York	BOMB	Minimal	In connection with this and other New York bombings, Dennis John Malvasi pled guilty to 3 counts & received five years in prison; Carl Cenera pled guilty and received three years in prison; Frank Wright, Jr., pled guilty and received two years in prison.
12/1986	Michigan	ARSON	\$750,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
12/1986	Illinois	ARSON	Minimal	David Holman pled guilty. Received 18 months imprisonment and 3 years probation.
11/1986	Illinois	ARSON	Minimal	David Holman pled guilty. Received 18 months imprisonment and 3 years probation.
10/1986	New York	BOMB	\$10,000	In connection with this and other New York bombings, Dennis John Malvasi pled guilty to 3 counts & received five years in prison; Carl Cenera pled guilty and received three years in prison; Frank Wright, Jr., pled guilty and received two years in prison.
6/1986	Missouri	ARSON	\$100,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
6/1986	Kansas	BOMB	\$100,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
5/1986	Ohio	ARSON	\$200,000	Marjorie Reed pled guilty to this and multiple other arson charges in 1992. She served 5 years in prison and was released in September 1997.
12/1985	Ohio	ARSON	\$75,000+	John Brockhoeft pled guilty to one count arson in connection with multiple cases. Sentenced to 7 years in prison. Released in 1995.
12/1985	Ohio	ARSON	\$35,000	John Brockhoeft pled guilty to one count arson in connection with multiple cases. Sentenced to 7 years in prison. Released in 1995.
12/1985	New York	BOMB	Minimal	In connection with this and other NY bombings, Dennis John Malvasi pled guilty to 3 counts and received 5 years in prison; Carl Cenera pled guilty and received 3 years in prison; Frank Wright, Jr., pled guilty and received 2 years in prison. Donald C. Pryor, Jr. pled guilty but died before sentencing.
12/1985	Ohio	ARSON	\$20,000	Marjorie Reed pled guilty to this and multiple other arson charges in 1992. She served 5 years in prison and was released in September 1997.

Date	State	Crime	Amount	Description
10/1985	Louisiana	ARSON	\$20,000	Brent Paul Braud, Derrick James Jarreau, John David Newchurch, and Charles Albert Cheshire Jr. each pled guilty to one count. Braud and Jarreau were sentenced to 2 years in prison and a \$50 special assessment. Newchurch was sentenced to 5 years, subject to review after a psychiatric exam.
10/1985	Louisiana	ARSON	\$300,000	Brent Paul Braud, Derrick James Jarreau, John David Newchurch, and Charles Albert Cheshire Jr. each pled guilty to one count. Braud and Jarreau were sentenced to 2 years in prison and a \$50 special assessment. Newchurch was sentenced to 5 years, subject to review after a psychiatric exam. Cheshire was sentenced to 5 years and ordered to pay \$314,000 in restitution.
10/1985	North Carolina	ARSON	\$75,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
3/1985	California	ARSON	\$10,000	Shane Cameron arrested. Convicted on unrelated arson charges.
2/1985	Texas	ARSON	\$1,500,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
1/1985	Washington, DC	BOMB	\$100,000+	Kenneth Shields and Thomas Spinks.
12/1984	Florida	BOMB	\$100,000+	Matthew Goldsby and James Simmons convicted in U.S. District Court; sentenced to 10 years in prison and \$353,073.66 in fines. (Assessed only \$350). Kathren Simmons and Kaye Wiggins convicted for conspiracy, received 5 years probation and \$2,000 in fines. (Assessed only \$50).
12/1984	Florida	BOMB	\$225,000+	Matthew Goldsby and James Simmons convicted in U.S. District Court; sentenced to 10 years in prison and \$353,073.66 in fines. (Assessed only \$350). Kathren Simmons and Kaye Wiggins convicted for conspiracy, received 5 years probation and \$2,000 in fines. (Assessed only \$50).
12/1984	Florida	BOMB	\$100,000+	Matthew Goldsby and James Simmons convicted in U.S. District Court; sentenced to 10 years in prison and \$353,073.66 in fines. (Assessed only \$350). Kathren Simmons and Kaye Wiggins convicted for conspiracy, received 5 years probation and \$2,000 in fines.
12/1984	Maryland	BOMB	\$150,000	Kenneth Shields and Thomas Spinks pled guilty to conspiracy in connection with this and 9 other cases. Shields received 15 years and was ordered to pay \$55,000 in restitution. Michael Bray entered Alford plea, in which the defendant does not admit guilt but acknowledges he would be found guilty if tried, and was sentenced to six years.
11/1984	Maryland	BOMB	\$300,000	Kenneth Shields and Thomas Spinks pled guilty to conspiracy in connection with this and 9 other cases. Shields received 15 years and was ordered to pay \$55,000 in restitution.
11/1984	Washington, DC	BOMB	Minimal	Kenneth Shields and Thomas Spinks pled guilty to conspiracy in connection with this and 9 other cases. Shields received 15 years and was ordered to pay \$55,000 in restitution. Michael Bray entered Alford plea, in which the defendant does not admit guilt but acknowledges he would be found guilty if tried, and was sentenced to six years.

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11/1984	Maryland	BOMB	\$50,000	Kenneth Shields and Thomas Spinks pled guilty to conspiracy in connection with this and 9 other cases. Shields received 15 years and was ordered to pay \$55,000 in restitution.
11/1984	Texas	ARSON	\$400,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
9/1984	Georgia	ARSON	\$8,000+	Closed - statute of limitations.
9/1984	California	ARSON	\$125,000+	Closed - statute of limitations.
9/1984	Georgia	ARSON	\$5,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
9/1984	Texas	ARSON	Minimal	Closed - statute of limitations.
9/1984	Texas	ARSON	Minimal	Closed - statute of limitations.
9/1984	Texas	ARSON	\$90,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
9/1984	Texas	ARSON	\$10,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
8/1984	Texas	ARSON	\$30,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
7/1984	Maryland	BOMB	\$50,000+	Kenneth Shields and Thomas Spinks pled guilty to conspiracy in connection with this and 9 other cases. Shields received 15 years and was ordered to pay \$55,000 in restitution.
7/1984	Washington, DC	BOMB	\$40,000	Kenneth Shields & Thomas Spinks pled guilty to conspiracy in connection with this and 9 other cases. Shields received 15 years and was ordered to pay \$55,000 in restitution.
6/1984	Florida	BOMB	\$200,000	Matthew Goldsby and James Simmons were arrested. U.S. Attorney declined to prosecute because of changes in insanity law. Both men and their girlfriends were prosecuted and convicted in district court. See 12/84 Florida cases.
5/1984	Oregon	ARSON	\$1,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
3/1984	Washington	ARSON	\$55,000	Curtis Beseda convicted in U.S. District Court; received two consecutive 10-year terms, 5 years probation, and ordered to pay \$295,000 in restitution.
3/1984	Washington	ARSON	\$10,000	Curtis Beseda convicted in U.S. District Court; received two consecutive 10-year terms, 5 years probation, and ordered to pay \$295,000 in restitution.
3/1984	Washington	ARSON	\$70,000	Curtis Beseda convicted in U.S. District Court; received two consecutive 10-year terms, 5 years probation, and ordered to pay \$295,000 in restitution.
2/1984	Maryland	ARSON	\$100,000	Kenneth Shields & Thomas Spinks pled guilty to conspiracy in connection with this and 9 other cases. Shields received 15 years and \$55,000 in restitution. Michael Bray entered Alford plea, in which the defendant does not admit guilt but acknowledges he would be found guilty if tried, and was sentenced to six years.
2/1984	Virginia	ARSON	\$1,000	Kenneth Shields & Thomas Spinks pled guilty to conspiracy in connection with this and 9 other cases. Shields received 15 years and \$55,000 in restitution. Michael Bray entered Alford plea, in which the defendant does not admit guilt but acknowledges he would be found guilty if tried, and was sentenced to six years.
1/1984	Delaware	ARSON	\$100,000	Kenneth Shields & Thomas Spinks pled guilty to conspiracy in connection with this and 9 other cases. Shields received 15 years and \$55,000 in restitution. Michael Bray entered Alford plea, in

				Michael Day entered Alford plea, in which the defendant does not admit guilt but acknowledges he would be found guilty if tried, and was sentenced to six years.
12/1983	Washington	ARSON	\$45,000	Curtis Beseda convicted in U.S. District Court; received two consecutive 10-year terms, 5 years probation, and ordered to pay \$295,000 in restitution.
5/1983	Virginia	ARSON	\$250,000	Joseph Grace convicted in state court. Regarding this and other arson charges, he was sentenced to 10-20 years in Virginia state prison. Scheduled for release: April, 1999.
10/1982	New Jersey	ARSON	\$100,000+	Closed - statute of limitations.
6/1982	Virginia	BOMB	\$18,000	Don Benny Anderson & Matthew Moore convicted in state court. Both pled guilty and received 30 years, to be served consecutively with 30-year sentence received by Anderson, Matthew Moore and brother Wayne Moore for kidnapping of Illinois physician and his wife.
5/1982	Florida	ARSON	\$340,000	Don Benny Anderson & Matthew Moore convicted in state court. Both pled guilty and received 30 years, to be served consecutively with 30-year sentence received by Anderson, Matthew Moore and brother Wayne Moore for kidnapping of Illinois physician and his wife.
5/1982	Florida	ARSON	\$122,000	Don Benny Anderson & Matthew Moore convicted in state court. Both pled guilty and received 30 years, to be served consecutively with 30-year sentence received by Anderson, Matthew Moore and brother Wayne Moore for kidnapping of Illinois physician and his wife.
1/1982	Illinois	ARSON	\$100,000+	Closed - statute of limitations.
4/1981	Michigan	ARSON	\$30,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
2/1979	New York	ARSON	\$100,000+	Peter Burkin entered clinic during working hours, set it on fire and injured himself, risking staff & patients' lives. Acquitted of attempted murder and arson; found not guilty by reason of insanity on charges of arson and reckless endangerment.
6/1978	Iowa	BOMB	Unknown	Closed - statute of limitations.
6/1978	Ohio	BOMB	Unknown	Closed - statute of limitations.
5/1978	Vermont	BOMB	Unknown	Closed - statute of limitations.
2/1978	Ohio	ARSON	Unknown	Closed - statute of limitations.
2/1978	Ohio	BOMB	\$3,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
2/1978	Ohio	ARSON	\$200,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
2/1978	Ohio	ARSON	\$100,000+	Closed - statute of limitations. (Man entered clinic, blinded a technician by throwing chemicals, and set center on fire, destroying it. Clinic was full of patients at the time; they escaped without injury).
11/1977	Ohio	ARSON	\$4,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
8/1977	Nebraska	ARSON	\$35,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
5/1977	Vermont	ARSON	\$100,000+	Closed - statute of limitations.
2/1977	Minnesota	ARSON	\$250,000	Closed - statute of limitations.
3/1976	Oregon	ARSON	\$19,000	Joseph C. Stockett was convicted and served two years in prison.

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HISTORY OF VIOLENCE/Butyric Acid Attacks

Butyric acid is a clear, colorless liquid with an unpleasant, rancid, vomit-like odor. Anti-abortion extremists began using butyric acid as a weapon against abortion facilities in early 1992. The goal of introducing butyric acid into a clinic is to disrupt services, close the clinic, and harass patients and staff. Depending on the amount used and how it is introduced into the clinic, butyric acid can cause thousands of dollars of damage, requiring clinics to replace carpeting, furniture, and conduct extensive cleanup of the facility. In addition, even after cleanup, butyric acid's smell leaves a reminder of the incident for months, and often years, to come.

There have been about 100 butyric acid attacks throughout the United States and Canada, causing in excess of \$1 million in damages.

The table below contains fewer than 100 entries. This is because in many cases multiple clinics were targeted in the same city on the same day.

DATE	STATE/PROVINCE/TERR.	EST. DAMAGE
7/1998	Texas	Unknown
7/1998	Louisiana	Unknown
7/1998	Louisiana	Unknown
7/1998	Louisiana	\$13,000
7/1998	Louisiana	Unknown
7/1998	Louisiana	Unknown
5/1998	Florida	\$3,000
5/1998	Florida	Unknown
11/1996	Alberta	
5/1994	Texas	\$1,000
5/1994	New York	\$10,000
4/1994	New York	\$60,000

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4/1994	Nebraska	\$1,000
2/1994	Indiana	Minor
2/1994	Wisconsin	\$1,000
10/1993	Colorado	\$1,000
8/1993	Wisconsin	\$40,000
8/1993	Wisconsin	\$10,000
5/1993	Indiana	\$150,000
3/1993	California	\$100,000+
3/1993	Kansas	\$5,000
2/1993	Texas	\$10,000
12/1992	Florida	\$5,000
11/1992	Texas	\$750
10/1992	Louisiana	unknown
10/1992	Florida	\$3,000
10/1992	Louisiana	unknown
10/1992	Alabama	\$25,000+
10/1992	Texas	\$3,000
10/1992	Louisiana	\$28,000
9/1992	Michigan	\$40,000
9/1992	Texas	\$500
9/1992	Michigan	\$60,000
9/1992	Michigan	\$13,000
9/1992	California	\$7,000
9/1992	Michigan	\$7,000
9/1992	Nevada	\$2,000
7/1992	Michigan	\$3,000
7/1992	Ohio	\$20,000
6/1992	Kansas	\$500
6/1992	Illinois	\$5,000
6/1992	Illinois	\$1,500
6/1992	Illinois	\$2,000
5/1992	Tennessee	\$200,000
4/1992	Kentucky	\$800
4/1992	Michigan	\$1,000
4/1992	Michigan	\$5,000
3/1992	Texas	\$25,000
3/1992	Colorado	\$15,000
1/1991	Ontario	\$1,000

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HISTORY OF VIOLENCE/Anthrax Attacks

Letters threatening anthrax poisoning were first used to terrorize and disrupt reproductive health care clinics in October 1998, just days after the murder of abortion provider Dr. Barnett Slepian. At that time, about a dozen clinics across the country received letters that claimed to contain anthrax toxin. They threatened that clinic personnel exposed to the letters would die. Since then, additional anthrax threat letters have been received by clinics in February and June 1999, January 2000, October and November 2001, and January 2002. As of January 2002, approximately 654 letters have been received by clinics across the United States.

Letters were postmarked from various places including Kentucky, Ohio, Georgia, New York, and Washington, DC. Early letters contained no return addresses, but after law enforcement agents advised clinic personnel around the country to avoid opening mail from anonymous senders, letters started arriving with phony return addresses that included fictitious medical supply companies, the department of taxation, other clinics, law enforcement agencies, and pro-choice organizations.

While investigation has proven that none of the letters have actually contained anthrax toxin, virtually every case has resulted in frightening clinic staff and patients, disrupting services, and wasting valuable law enforcement resources.

The 554 letters sent via U.S. Mail and FedEx in 2001 have been attributed to anti-abortion extremist Clayton Waagner. Waagner was convicted in December 2003 of various charges including threatening the use of a weapon of mass destruction for sending the letters. He is in prison awaiting sentencing.

Chronology of Anthrax Threat Letters

1998	12
1999	35
2000	30
2001	554
2002	23
Total	654

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April 25, 2014

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RE: Notice of Appeal of Denial of an Application for Exemption to Source of Funding Regulation

Dear Ms. Tagliaferro:

Please be advised that our firm represents Family Planning Advocates of New York State ("FPA") in connection with the appeal of the denial of an application for an exemption from source of funding regulations. FPA was informed by letter dated April 4, 2014 addressed to Ms. Ronnie Pawelko, FPA general counsel, sent from Daniel J. Horwitz, chair of the New York State Joint Commission on Public Ethics ("JCOPE") and five additional members, that the application:

[D]id not present sufficient evidence demonstrating that compliance with the disclosure requirement would create a 'substantial likelihood' of harm to its sources of funding (including individuals and property associated with those sources). Rather the evidence presented was too remote and speculative to establish a substantial likelihood of harm.

Pursuant to 19 NYCRR 938.6, this letter serves as FPA's appeal of JCOPE's denial of the application for exemption. A central issue in this proceeding is the statutory standard found in

Legislative Law § 1-h which states as follows:

[A]ny corporation registered pursuant to article seven-A of the executive law that is qualified as an exempt organization by the United States Department of the Treasury under I.R.C. § 501(c)(4) and whose primary activities concern any area of public concern determined by the commission to create a substantial likelihood that application of this disclosure requirement would lead to harm, threats, harassment, or reprisals to a source of funding or to individuals or property affiliated with such source, including but not limited to the area of civil rights and civil liberties and any other area of public concern determined pursuant to regulations promulgated by the commission to form a proper basis for exemption on this basis from this disclosure requirement[.]

FPA also directs the Commission's attention to the Bill Jacket of the Public Integrity Reform Act of 2011 ("PIRA"), which provides guidance in determining the legislative intent of the statute. The Bill Jacket unambiguously states in the Introducer's Memorandum in Support that:

The bill expressly identifies the area of "civil rights and civil liberties" as one area in which organizations are expected to qualify for such an exemption in the Joint Commission's regulations. Among other issues included in this area, organizations whose primary activities focus on the question of abortion rights, family planning, discrimination or persecution based upon race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation or religion, immigrant rights, and the rights of certain criminal defendants are expected to be covered by such an exemption.

FPA submitted an application for exemption from disclosing sources of contributions on October 25, 2013. NARAL Pro-Choice New York, another 501(c)(4) organization that supports abortion rights, also submitted an application for exemption on May 1, 2013. What is most notable about FPA's application is that it cites to nearly identical evidence that was submitted by NARAL Pro-Choice New York; the only organization that was granted an exemption from JCOPE. For example, both the FPA and NARAL respective applications submitted compelling evidence by the National Abortion Federation ("NAF") which gave specific statistics and incidents of violence against abortion providers in the United States between 1977 and 2011. According to the NAF, since there has been at least 8 abortion-related murders, 4 cases of kidnapping, 530 cases of stalking and 426 death threats against abortion-providers since 1977 in the United States and Canada. As recognized by the dissenting JCOPE members:

The majority has not explained, nor can it, why these very similar applications have failed and NARAL's did not.

In light of the clear legislative intent of PIRA and applications submitted by other pro-choice organizations, the Majority's interpretation that "the evidence presented [by FPA] was too remote and speculative to establish a substantial likelihood of harm" is clearly erroneous after considering all of the evidence in the record. 19 NYCRR 938.7(c).

By way of background, FPA is a civil rights and civil liberties 501(c)(4) organization that supports abortion rights and access. FPA's members include all nine of the Planned Parenthood affiliates in New York State. All of these Planned Parenthood affiliates provide abortion care at their health centers. There are several reasons why the Majority's determination was clearly erroneous.

First, JCOPE ignored and had no meaningful discussion of evidence set forth in the application proffered by FPA. Had JCOPE conducted a meaningful dialogue of either the application or the applicant, JCOPE would have recognized that the majority of the evidence submitted by FPA was specific acts of "harms, threats, harassment or reprisals" to FPA itself and its Planned Parenthood members. Due to these well-documented direct threats at FPA's members and FPA itself, it is clearly erroneous for the Majority to view the evidence as "too remote and speculative".

Second, the Majority's decision creates a subjective and inoperable framework in determining whether an applicant has demonstrated a "substantial likelihood" of harm to its sources of funding. Because it is beyond dispute that Planned Parenthood and other organizations that support abortions rights and access, have sustained a longstanding pattern of violence, it is highly likely that other threats of harm and harassment will only increase after the sources and members who support pro-choice organizations are disclosed and known to those capable of such acts.

Finally, the fact that numerous other tribunals have determined that other pro-choice organizations have demonstrated a clear and longstanding pattern of violence establishes a strong presumption that the Majority's determination was erroneous and there is a clear "substantial likelihood of [further] harms, threats, harassment or reprisals".

For example, as recognized in a recent March 17, 2014 letter from Jonathan Karmel, Department of Health Records Access Appeals Officer addressed to an individual attempting to gather information concerning abortion services in New York State, the Department of Health agreed that there is a possibility that disclosing information concerning abortion providers would endanger the lives or safety of those individuals. See, NYS DOH FOIL Appeal letter attached hereto as Exhibit "A". In that letter, DOH, who also considered the NAF statistics, specifically held that:

Recognizing the risk to life and safety, the Committee on Open Government has opined that DOH may withhold the names and addresses of physicians who perform abortions, "in view of the violence that has been committed in New York and elsewhere in relation to abortion

providers.” Advisory Opinion No. 11239; see also, American Broadcasting Companies v Siert, 110 Misc2d 744, 751 (Sup. Ct. N.Y. County 1981), holding that when disclosure would “expose [licensee] applicants and their families to danger to life or safety,” POL 87(2)(f) is properly asserted. More recently, the NYS Appellate Division, First Department, has recognized the need to protect the identities of those involved in the manufacturing and marketing of RLJ-486 or Mifepristone (medical abortion pill) in a non-FOIL related matter, agreeing that they could be targeted for harassment or violence. Dance Laboratories v. Chemical Works of Ciedon Richter Limited, 274 AD2d 1,2,9 (NY App Div., 1st Dept. 2000).

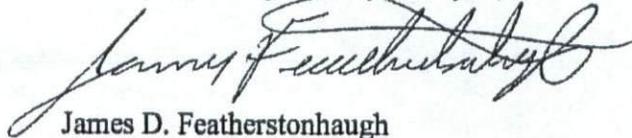
Additionally, the U.S. Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit upheld the redaction of the names and addresses of individuals and businesses associated with the development, manufacturing, and FDA approval of Mifepristone, in light of abortion-related violence, under the Federal Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”). Judicial Watch, Inc. v Food and Drug Administration, 449 F3d 141, 153 (U.S. District Ct., D.C. Cir. 2006). In that case the court held that:

[T]he FDA fairly asserted abortion-related violence as a privacy interest for both the name and addresses of persons and businesses associated with [M]ifepristone [the medical abortion pill], and that “evidence of abortion clinic bombings” and “websites that encourage readers to look for [M]ifepristone’s manufacturing locations and then kill or kidnap employees,” was sufficient to show a privacy interest in withholding the information under FOIA that outweighed the public interest in the names and addresses sought. Id.

In the collective view of the determinations of numerous other tribunals, the aggregated applications seeking exemption from source of funding regulations, and the legislative intent of PIRA, the Majority’s narrow interpretation of the source of funding regulation exemption requirements was erroneous and created an excessively burdensome standard for applicants to meet. Accordingly, FPA respectfully requests that the judicial hearing officer issue a written and final decision that reverses the Majority’s determination and grants Family Planning Advocates’ application for an exemption to the Joint Commission on Public Ethics source of funding disclosure requirements.

Very truly yours,

Featherstonhaugh, Wiley & Clyne, LLP



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cc: Ronnie Pawelko

EXHIBIT A

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March 17, 2014

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Re: 3rd FOIL Appeal # 13-04-213

Dear Mr. Margand:

This letter resolves your administrative appeal to the New York State Department of Health ("DOH") from its denial of Greg Pfundstein's request for certain records pursuant to the Freedom of Information Law ("FOIL"), Public Officers Law ("POL") Article 6.

On April 11, 2013, Mr. Pfundstein submitted a FOIL request, asking:

1. How many inspections have been conducted of Article 28 licensed diagnostic treatment centers that offer abortion services since January 1, 2000?
2. How many inspections have been conducted of facilities that offer abortion services but are not licensed under Article 28 since January 1, 2000?
3. Please provide all records of any violations that were found, and the corrective/enforcement action taken resulting from inspections of Article 28 licensed diagnostic treatment centers that offer abortion services since January 1, 2000 and resulting from inspections of facilities that offer abortion services but are not licensed under Article 28 since January 1, 2000.
4. Please provide any records relating to investigations or civil enforcement actions for operating a facility that performs abortion services, for failure to comply with the requirements of Public Health Law Section 2801-A.

On May 13, DOH received the first appeal for this FOIL request, which raised a constructive denial argument. On May 28, I denied the appeal. On August 19, DOH agreed to provide records on a rolling basis, and records partially responsive to this request were provided on September 30 and October 8. On October 23, DOH received the second appeal for this FOIL request, which raised another constructive denial argument and further argued that the redactions made to the documents provided on September 30 and October 8 were improper. On November 6, 2013, I denied that appeal. On February 5, 2014, DOH released its final batch of documents to Mr. Pfundstein, which completed DOH's response to this FOIL request. On

March 4, I received the third appeal in this matter, which was faxed to the Records Access Office ("RAO") on March 3 at 5:18 pm.

This third appeal makes the same arguments raised in the second appeal, and I will therefore reiterate the same reasons for denying the appeal that were contained in my November 6, 2013 denial.

First, DOH responded to your request in a timely and complete manner. Under POL § 89(3)(a), an agency is required to provide "a statement of the approximate date, which shall be reasonable under the circumstances of the request, when such request will be granted or denied." Due to the large volume of documents released to Mr. Kahrmann, DOH produced documents responsive to this request on a rolling basis as they were located and reviewed to ensure they could be released under the Personal Privacy Protection Law (POL Article 6-A) and that it was appropriate to release them under FOIL. The RAO estimated that DOH would complete its response to this FOIL request by February 5, 2014 and DOH fully complied with this deadline. RAO's response date was therefore reasonable under the circumstances of this request. See Matter of Data Tree v Romaine, 9 NY3d 454, 465; Matter of New York Times Co. v City of NY Police Dept., 103 AD3d 405, 406-407.

Second, DOH has already provided Mr. Pfundstein with thousands of pages of records responsive to this FOIL request. The records that have been released are: 1) a spreadsheet providing the number of routine inspections that have been conducted of 25 Article 28 licensed diagnostic and treatment centers and ambulatory surgery centers which have "abortion services" listed on their operating certificate, responsive to Item 1 of the request; 2) Statements of Deficiencies ("SODs") prepared by the Department in connection with inspections of Article 28 licensed diagnostic treatment centers whose operating certificates indicate that they provide abortion services, and corresponding Plans of Correction ("POCs") prepared by inspected centers, responsive to Item 2 of the request; and 3) Records related to the civil enforcement action concerning one of the twenty-five Article 28 licensed diagnostic and treatment centers, responsive to Item 4 of the request. Although you have only indicated that you are appealing the effective denial of "Item 3 of the Foundation's April 11, 2013 request for records," this appeal decision addresses the types of FOIL exemptions you are challenging in your appeal, in regards to all four items of your original FOIL request. These exemptions include: 1) material that, if disclosed, would be an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy under POL § 87(2)(b); 2) material that if disclosed, could endanger the life and safety of individuals, under POL § 87(2)(f); and 3) quality assurance material that is exempt from disclosure by statute pursuant to POL § 87(2)(a), under Public Health Law ("PHL") § 2805-m and Education Law § 6527(3).

Unwarranted Invasion of Personal Privacy

FOIL expressly exempts from disclosure records and portions of records that, if disclosed, would constitute an "unwarranted invasion of personal privacy." POL § 87(2)(b). POL § 89(2)(b) defines the "unwarranted invasion of personal privacy" to include, among other things, the disclosure of information contained in medical histories and medical records, where that information can be attributed to an identifiable individual. POL § 89(2)(b)(i) and (ii). Disclosure of

such information does not constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy if "identifying details" are redacted, thereby preventing the attribution of the information to an identifiable individual. POL § 89(2)(c)(i). Agencies are authorized to delete such identifying details when they disclose records in response to FOIL requests. POL § 89(2)(a).

In determining whether information is "identifying," the standards for de-identification set forth in the federal regulations promulgated under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA") are instructive here. These standards recognize that identifying details may include not only directly identifying information such as name or social security number, but also information that indirectly identifies a patient, such as age, location, or date of medical service. See 45 CFR § 164.514. Likewise, HIPAA forbids the release of information that "could be used alone or in combination with other information to identify an individual who is a subject of the information." 45 CFR 164.514(b)(2)(ii).

The records that have been released contain information about patients' medical condition, as well as information that could be used to identify a particular patient whose care was examined in the course of the inspection. See 45 CFR § 164.514(a), (b) and (c). Such material is properly redacted under POL § 89(2)(b)(ii). Although you argue that the "foundation's FOIL request by its very terms does not seek private medical information," the only records responsive to your third request nevertheless contain such private medical information, which may be redacted.

Endanger the Life or Safety of Any Person

You are correct that in the records that have been provided to you, DOH has redacted the identities of facilities that provide abortion services. Under POL § 87(2)(f), an agency may deny records that "if disclosed could endanger the life or safety of any person." To establish that records fall under this exception, an agency is not "required to prove that a danger to a person's life or safety will occur if the information is made public. . . . Rather, there need only be a possibility that such information would endanger the lives or safety of individuals." Stronza v Hoke, 148 AD2d 900, 901 (emphasis added). The possibility of such danger was expressly acknowledged by Congress in its enactment of the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act of 1994 ("FACE"), 18 U.S.C. § 248 et seq., which established "[f]ederal criminal penalties and civil remedies for certain violent . . . conduct that is intended to injure, intimidate, or interfere with persons seeking to obtain or provide reproductive health services."

In enacting FACE, Congress made the following significant specific findings:

that there was '[a] nationwide campaign of anti-abortion blockades' and violence that was 'barring access to facilities that provided abortion services,' (citing S. Rep. No. 117, 103d Cong., 1st Sess. 3 (1993); H.R. Rep. No. 306, 103d Cong., 1st Sess. 6 (1993)) that abortion opponents had committed at least 36 bombings, 81 arsons, 131 death threats, 84 assaults, 2 kidnappings, 327 clinic invasions, 71 chemical attacks, and the murder of Dr.

David Gunn, a physician who had performed abortions in Florida and several neighboring states; (citing S. Rep. at 3, 6; H.R. Rep. at 6-7; Conf. Rep., Findings and Purpose, *supra*, at 15, no.2). . . . that 'the avowed purpose of this conduct was to eliminate . . . abortion services by closing clinics and intimidating doctors; (citing S. Rep. at 11) . . . and that state and local law enforcement authorities have proved unable or unwilling to address effectively 'the systemic and nationwide assault that is being waged against health care providers and patients.' (citing S. Rep. at 7, 14; H.R. Rep. at 6). U.S. v McMillan, 946 FSupp. 1254, 1261 (1995).

The need to protect the identities of abortion providers is further demonstrated by the many cases of extreme violence that have occurred against abortion providers, as noted above. According to the National Abortion Federation ("NAF"), since 1977, in the United States and Canada, there have been at least 8 abortion-related murders, 4 cases of kidnapping, 530 cases of stalking and 426 death threats against abortion-providers. Examples of violent crimes that have taken place in the United States, against providers who perform abortions include:

- Dr. David Gunn, who was shot to death at a protest in Pensacola, Florida on March 10, 1993.
- Dr. John Britton, who was murdered outside an abortion facility in Pensacola, Florida on July 29, 1994.
- An unnamed doctor and abortion provider was shot at in his home in Perinton, New York on October 28, 1997.
- Dr. Barnett Slepian, who was killed at his home in Amherst, New York on October 23, 1998.
- Dr. George Tiller, who was shot to death in Wichita, Kansas on May 31, 2009.

The violence is not necessarily directed at specific physicians, but threatens anyone working in or around facilities that perform abortions, such as:

- James Barrett, a clinic escort who was killed on July 29, 1994.
- Shannon Lowney and Lee Ann Nichols, clinic receptionists, who were murdered on December 30, 1994. (During these two consecutive attacks on abortion clinics, five other employees were wounded).
- Robert Sanderson, an off-duty police officer who worked as a security guard at an abortion clinic, died in a bombing of an abortion clinic on January 29, 1998, and a nurse was severely injured.

Moreover, there is a history of property-based violence against facilities that offer abortion services. According to the NAF, since 1977 in the United States and Canada, additional property-based crimes committed against abortion providers include 42 bombings, 181 cases of arson, 99 cases of attempted bombings or arsons, 1,490 instances of vandalism, 2,218 cases of trespassing, 100 butyric acid (stink bomb) attacks, 663 anthrax and bioterrorism threats, and 183 cases of burglary. Less violent attacks include 15,479 cases of hate mail and

harassing phone calls, 177 reports of suspicious packages, 657 bomb threats, and since 2012, 79 cases of obstruction. There have also been 775 reports of clinic blockades, with 33,838 related arrests. Some of the more recent property-based crimes have occurred as recently as 2007.

Recognizing the risk to life and safety, the Committee on Open Government has opined that DOH may withhold the names and addresses of physicians who perform abortions, "in view of the violence that has been committed in New York and elsewhere in relation to abortion providers." Advisory Opinion No. 11239; see also American Broadcasting Companies v Siebert, 110 Misc2d 744, 751 (Sup. Ct. N.Y. County 1981), holding that when disclosure would "expose [licensee] applicants and their families to danger to life or safety," POL 87(2)(f) is properly asserted. More recently, the NYS Appellate Division, First Department, has recognized the need to protect the identities of those involved in the manufacturing and marketing of RU-486 or Mifepristone (medical abortion pill) in a non-FOIL related matter, agreeing that they could be targeted for harassment or violence, Danco Laboratories v. Chemical Works of Gedon Richter Limited, 274 AD2d 1, 2, 9 (NY App Div., 1st Dept. 2000).

In 2006, the U.S. Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit upheld the redaction of the names and addresses of individuals and businesses associated with the development, manufacturing, and FDA approval of Mifepristone, in light of abortion-related violence, under the Federal Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"). Judicial Watch, Inc. v Food and Drug Administration, 449 F3d 141, 153 (U.S. District Ct., D.C. Cir. 2006). The court held that:

[T]he FDA fairly asserted abortion-related violence as a privacy interest for both the name and addresses of persons and businesses associated with [M]ifepristone [the medical abortion pill]. The privacy interest extends to all such employees, and the FDA need not 'justify the withholding of names on an individual by individual basis under FOIA Exemption 6.' Id.

The court held that "evidence of abortion clinic bombings" and "websites that encourage readers to look for [M]ifepristone's manufacturing locations and then kill or kidnap employees," was sufficient to show a privacy interest in withholding the information under FOIA that outweighed the public interest in the names and addresses sought. Id.

In your appeal letter you argue that "abortion providers go to great lengths to publicize and promote their services, locations and identities to the general public. They advertise widely on the Internet and in local publications, and have done so for many years." Therefore, you argue that revealing the results of State inspections for these well-known providers will not endanger the safety of anyone. While it is certainly true that some abortion providers advertise this particular service, others do not and are not going to "great lengths to publicize and promote their [abortion] services." DOH is not in a position to determine which health care providers publicize and promote abortion services and which do not. Also, regardless of whether providers advertise that they perform abortion services and possibly endanger their own lives or safety, I agree with RAO that there is a possibility that it would endanger the lives or safety of individuals if DOH publicizes which health care providers are providing abortions.

This includes not only the lives of physicians, but also nurses, maintenance staff, receptionists, security guards, patients, and contractors of the facilities. Thus, I believe FOIL permits DOH to redact information that identifies the names of abortion facilities to which these incidents/complaints relate.

Exempted From Disclosure by State or Federal Statute

Under POL § 87(2)(a), DOH is prohibited from disclosing records or portions of records that are specifically exempt from disclosure under state or federal statute. In this matter, DOH is prohibited from disclosing records that are confidential under PHL § 2805-m and Education Law § 6527(3). The SODs and POCs which have been produced have been redacted to remove information deemed confidential under New York State Education Law § 6527(3), which protects the proceedings and records relating to performance of a medical or quality assurance review function or a medical malpractice prevention program. For the same reason, the documents have been redacted in accordance with PHL § 2805-m, which assures the confidentiality of any documents, records or committee actions the facility is required to collect and maintain in connection with a quality assurance review function or medical malpractice prevention program pursuant to § 2805-j or as part of the facility's required incident reporting to DOH pursuant to § 2805-l.

The NYS Court of Appeals has emphasized that the quality assurance privilege

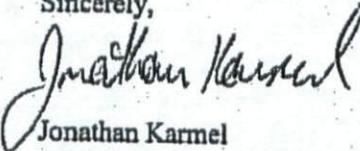
ensure[s] the proper delivery of services and the maintenance and improvement in quality of care. . . . [This] privilege . . . attaches to the proceedings and work product of the hospital quality assurance committees [in order to] 'promote[] the quality of care through self-review without fear of legal reprisal.' Furthermore, such protections 'enhance the objectivity of the review process' and ensure that the committees 'may frankly and objectively analyze the quality of health services rendered.' The cloak of confidentiality covering quality assurance procedures and materials 'is designed to encourage thorough and candid peer review . . . and thereby improve the quality of . . . care.' Matter of Subpoena Duces Tecum, 99 NY2d 434, 439 (2003) (citing Katherine F. v State of NY, 94 NY2d 200, 205 (1999); Logue v Velez, 92 NY2d 13, 17 (1998)).

In Smith v Delago, a complaint was made against a hospital, and DOH investigated the complaint and reviewed the medical care provided. 2 AD3d 1259, 1260-61 (3d Dept. 2003). The court held that under FOIL, DOH was required to disclose its SODs, redacted to remove information that is confidential under PHL § 2805-m. The Court held that other documents regarding the complaint were found to be privileged under PHL § 2805-m, including the circumstances pertaining to the patient's care that the hospital was required to and did report to DOH, and all interviews and documents made available to DOH in furtherance of the hospital's internal quality assurance review obligations under PHL Article 28. Id. at 1261. The purpose of

this statutory protection is "to promote the quality of health care through self-review without fear of legal repercussions by assuring confidentiality to those performing the review." Id. at 1261.

For the reasons stated above, your appeal is denied in its entirety. This final appeal determination applies to all of the Department's productions in this matter, and therefore encompasses my prior appeal decision of November 6, 2013. Therefore, judicial review of this final determination, which includes my prior November 6, 2013 appeal determination, may be obtained pursuant to CPLR Article 78.

Sincerely,



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Albany, NY 12207

Re: Family Planning Advocates of New York State

Dear Mr. Featherstonhaugh:

Attached please find the decision of the judicial hearing officer on the appeal of the denial of the application for an exemption from the source of funding disclosure requirements set forth in sections 1-h(c)(4) and 1-j(c)(4) of the Legislative Law.

This decision is considered a final determination by the Joint Commission on Public Ethics, pursuant to 19 NYCRR § 938.7(e).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Monica J. Stamm".

Monica J. Stamm
Chief of Staff and Deputy Counsel

NEW YORK STATE
JOINT COMMISSION ON PUBLIC ETHICS

In the Matter of the Appeal of

FAMILY PLANNING ADVOCATES OF NEW YORK STATE

Before:

George C. Pratt
Judicial Hearing Officer

DECISION

Family Planning Advocates of New York State ("Appellant") appealed on April 25, 2014, from the April 4, 2014, decision by the Joint Commission on Public Ethics ("the Commission") that denied the Appellant's application for an exemption from the Commission's Source of Funding Reporting Requirements. The appeal was taken under Part 938.6 of the Commission's Source of Funding Regulations and was assigned by the Commission to the undersigned as a Judicial Hearing Officer.

BACKGROUND

Appellant is a 501(c)(4) organization that represents New York's family planning providers, including the state's ten Planned Parenthood affiliates. Its primary activities performed on behalf of its members involve issues of significant public concern and attention: support for abortion rights and access and in the 2013 legislative session, lobbying efforts in support of the Women's Equality Agenda, including the provision that would codify the rights established in the Supreme Case *Roe v. Wade* into New York law. Because of its lobbying activities, Appellant reports to the Commission as a lobbying "client".

Under the amended regulations Appellant, as an organization that engages in lobbying activities, is required to disclose the names, addresses, employers, and contribution information regarding any contributor who provides to it at least \$5,000. However, the regulations provide for possible exemptions, which presents the problem now under consideration.

The Application.

Appellant applied to the Commission on October 25, 2013, for an exemption from its source-of-funding disclosure regulations as amended on Oct. 23, 2013. Its Application consisted of a four-page, single-spaced letter, three multi-page attachments, and a three-page application form. The Application appears to be made under Part 938.4(b), but no appeal is permitted from the denial of an application under that subsection. (938.6(a)). However, the substance of the Application, as well as the Commission's denial of the exemption, covers issues presented by an application under subsection (a), and this appeal will not be dismissed because of the technicality. It will be considered and decided as if the Application had specified Part 938.4(a).

To be entitled to an exemption, Appellant was required to show to the Commission by "clear and convincing evidence that disclosure of the Source will cause a substantial likelihood of harm, threats, harassment or reprisals to the Source or individuals or property affiliated with the Source." (938.4(a)). Appellant claimed entitlement to the exemption because disclosure of the names of sources of contributions over \$5,000 would "create a substantial likelihood of harm, threats, harassment or reprisals to FPA and its sources of funding . . ." (App. at 4).

The Evidence.

Appellant's Application presents some evidence of threats and harassment to Appellant's staff, but it leans heavily on incidents and events that have affected affiliates and other organizations and individuals having similar views, particularly Planned Parenthood. The many incidents of threats, harassment, and reprisals directed at such organizations and individuals make it clear that Appellant and its contributors, as supporters of women's right to choose, i.e. abortion, will soon be targeted, if, indeed, that has not already occurred. Among the specific examples included in Appellant's application are the following:

- In 2012 Planned Parenthood affiliates reported over 100 incidents of harassing phone calls and emails, vandalism, aggressive picketing, receipt of suspicious packages, and receipt of materials with fear-inducing religious messages against abortion.
- Threatening calls and mailings to affiliated health centers and abortion providers.
- A posting to NARAL's Facebook page of a tribute to individuals who had shot and killed abortion providers.
- Picketing at the home of a contractor who was constructing a new facility for Planned Parenthood.
- Postings on the website of Abortion Wiki of the names and photos of abortion providers and supporters. Abortion Wiki is designed "to expose the abortion industry" and to hold "accountable" those involved in providing or supporting abortion. The organization asks abortion opponents to provide information that

includes names and photos of abortion providers and health center employees, photos of businesses that have business relationships with abortion providers and evidence of businesses that support abortion providers or pro-choice organizations.

- A report by the National Abortion Federation of incidents of violence and disruption against abortion providers in the U.S. and Canada from 1977 through 2011 that shows over 6,000 incidents of "violence", including 8 murders, 17 attempted murders, 175 arsons, 100 attempted arsons/bombings, 391 invasions, which together with lesser incidents produced a grand total of over 6,000 incidents of violence.
- The same report specified over 175,000 incidents of picketing, hate mail and harassing phone calls, plus 769 incidents of clinic blockades.
- The same report included 19 pages of details about many of the reported incidents.
- Life Decisions International, an anti-abortion organization, compiles a list of organizations that support abortion or planned parenthood, and urges supporters to boycott those organizations. The list is publicized by a large number of organizations who urge their supporters to participate in boycotting organizations and individuals with a connection to Planned Parenthood or that support abortion. The reprisals and boycotts have included many incidents against a wide variety of organizations across the country and have even reached as far as the Girl Scouts and their cookie sales.

The Commission's Decision.

The Commission denied the application by vote of five to three. The Majority's four-paragraph decision states in its first paragraph that it is "set[ting] forth reasons and bases for the denial of the application", but after two paragraphs describing the statutory and regulatory background the Majority merely concluded in its fourth paragraph that

FPA's application did not present sufficient evidence demonstrating that the FPA's compliance with the disclosure requirements would create a 'substantial likelihood' of harm to its sources of funding (including individuals and property associated with those sources). Rather, the evidence presented was too remote and speculative to establish a substantial likelihood of harm.

In dissent, the Minority protested the Majority's narrow interpretation of the governing statute, arguing that the demonstration of "substantial likelihood of harm", as required by the Majority, was "an impossible standard for any applicant to meet."

The Appeal.

Appellant's appeal from the Commission's denial is dated April 25, 2014. The regulations provide that the record on appeal "shall consist of the original application for exemption together with any supporting materials that were submitted pursuant to Part 938.5 and the Commission's written denial." (938.7(b)). Those materials were received from the Commission on June 30, 2014. Under the regulations this decision may "affirm, reverse or remand the decision of the Commission" (938.7(d)), but may reverse "only if such denial is clearly erroneous in view of the evidence in the record." (938.7(c)).

DISCUSSION

As indicated by the foregoing, the task of the Judicial Hearing Officer on this appeal is to determine whether the Commission's denial of an exemption to Appellant was "clearly erroneous in view of the evidence in the record." "A finding is 'clearly erroneous' when although there is evidence to support it, the reviewing [body] on the entire evidence is left with the definite and firm conviction that a mistake has been committed." *United States v. United States Gypsum Co.*, 333 U.S. 364, 395 (1948).

Since there was no evidentiary hearing before the Commission, and since no opposing papers were submitted, the only "evidence in the record" is what was included in Appellant's written Application to the Commission. None of that evidence was presented under oath, but as required by the Commission's application form, Appellant's letter Application included a declaration "that the information contained in this application is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief." (App. at 4). Of course, all of the Appellant's evidence was hearsay, but the rules of evidence do not apply in this type of proceeding, and there has been no challenge to any of the statements and reports included in the application, nor does anything in those statements and reports inherently suggest any question as to their reliability.

If the application showed by "clear and convincing evidence that disclosure of the Source will cause a substantial probability of harm, threats, harassment or reprisals", the Commission was bound to grant the exemption ("The Commission shall grant the exemption" [938.4(a) emphasis added]). The issue on appeal thus becomes: Assuming that the events and circumstances described in Appellant's Application occurred as described, was the Commission's denial of the exemption clearly

erroneous? Because disclosure of donors had not previously been required, it was apparent, to the Legislature in enacting the statute, and to the Commission in promulgating the regulations, that an applicant would most likely be unable to present evidence of actual harm, etc. having already occurred to its donors. Because donors' identities had not been previously disclosed, such harm simply would not have occurred.

The regulations, however, provide guidance for bridging this apparent gap. They list five types of evidence that the Commission is to consider when determining whether the required showing of harm, etc. had been made. The first four are:

- (i) Specific evidence of past or present harm,
- (ii) The severity, number of incidents, and duration of past or present harm,
- (iii) A pattern of threats or manifestations of public hostility, and
- (iv) Evidence of harm, threats, harassment or reprisals directed against organizations or individuals holding views similar to those of the Source(s) or Client Filer.

All four of these include evidence of harm not only to or against the "Source" i. e. the donor, but also, more broadly, to or against the "Client Filer", i.e. the Appellant. The third category, pattern of threats or manifestations of public hostility, is further broadened to include as the targets "individuals or property affiliated with the Source(s) or Client Filer." (emphasis added), and the fourth category is expanded even further to include evidence of harm, etc. "directed to organizations or individuals holding views similar to those of the Source(s) or Client Filer." (emphasis added). Appellant's

Application relied primarily on incidents in the third and fourth categories, many of them involving Planned Parenthood, a direct affiliate of Appellant.

A failure to consider and follow these regulations would make the Commission's denial "clearly erroneous", particularly in light of the regulations' mandatory requirement that the exemption "shall" be granted upon the described showing.

Analyzed in light of the above considerations, the decision of the Commission is, indeed, clearly erroneous. The evidence in the record is described above in abbreviated form, but the Application itself provides significantly more detail and additional examples. Even in the abbreviated form, however, it is clear that Appellant provided "specific evidence" of many and severe incidents extending over a period of years that show a "pattern of threats" and "manifestations of public hostility" to Appellant's affiliates and to others holding similar views because of their advocacy for women's rights, particularly in the abortion and family planning fields.. This uncontroverted and unchallenged evidence fully satisfies the requirements of Parts (iii) and (iv) of Part 938.4 of the Commission's regulations, and when evaluated realistically, the evidence in the record shows that there was "a substantial likelihood of harm, threats, harassment [and] reprisals" to the "Client Filer" [Appellant] and to "Individuals [and] property affiliated with the . . . Client Filer". The Commission's findings that the application "did not present sufficient evidence" and that "the evidence presented was too remote and speculative" were clearly erroneous. The exemption must be granted.

An exemption for qualified donors to the Appellant is consistent with the intent of the Legislature in enacting the Lobbying Act, which proclaimed:

This disclosure shall not require disclosure of the
sources of funding whose disclosure, in the determination of

the commission based upon a review of the relevant facts presented by the reporting lobbyist, may cause harm, threats, harassment, or reprisals to the source or to individuals or property affiliated with the source. (Lobbying Act § 1-h(c)).

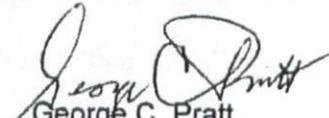
The sponsors of the legislation significantly noted that "organizations whose primary activities focus on the question of abortion rights, family planning, discrimination or persecution based upon race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, or religion, immigrant rights, and the rights of certain criminal defendants are expected to be covered by such an exemption."

Moreover, an exemption to Appellant gives proper deference to the constitutional requirement to protect the First Amendment rights of citizens to express their views on controversial issues by providing financial support to organizations that further their favored causes.

CONCLUSION

The decision appealed from is clearly erroneous and is therefore reversed.

July 11, 2014


George C. Pratt

Judicial Hearing Officer

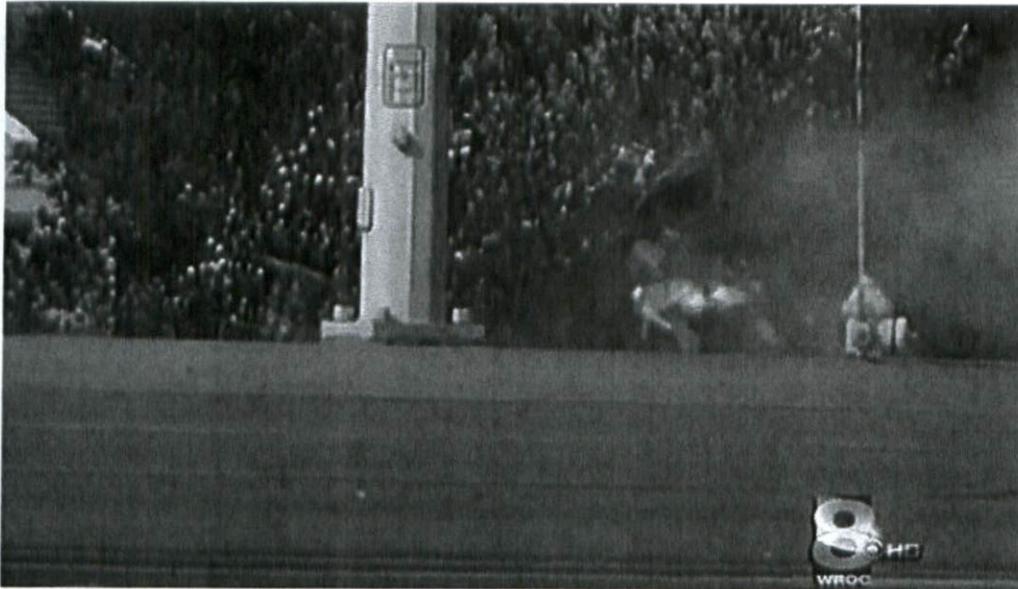
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Suspicious Package Detonated in Greece

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Greece, NY (WROC)- There were some traffic tie-ups in Greece Friday afternoon as police investigated a suspicious backpack outside of Planned Parenthood.

The Greece Police Department received a call around 12:30 pm this afternoon for a suspicious object in the parking lot of Planned Parenthood on West Ridge Road. Greece Police Chief Pat Phelan said that the Greece Police Department took every necessary precaution to be on the safe side, which included blocking off West Ridge Road from Long Pond Road to Wood Road. Nearby Planned Parenthood employees were moved to a safe spot in the building. The Monroe County Bomb Squad was called in to help. They blew up the backpack to be on the safe side.

"Any time there's a suspicious package, we take it very seriously with some of the incidents that happened throughout the country, Boston, what not," said Chief Phelan. "The location is not so much a factor in our decision making, we take suspicious packages very seriously, but it is in front of Planned Parenthood, which has some issues with occasional protests with people who are opposed what they do there, so it gave us a heightened sense of awareness. We just want to be extra careful, we just don't want anyone to get hurt."

Other than a blow horn, investigators determined nothing suspicious or harmful was found inside the bag.

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ADDENDUM

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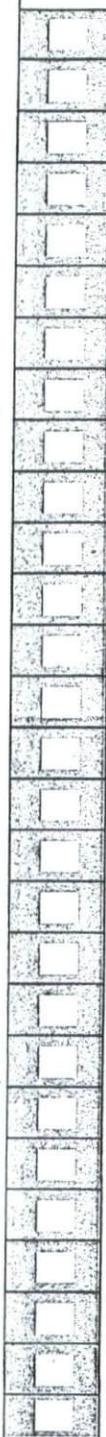
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Greece Police Department Addendum Report



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Attachment 3

NEWS : LAW AND POLICY

Anti-Choice Groups Try 'Texas Playbook' in Attempt to Block Health Care Access in California



by Jessica Mason Pieklo, Senior Legal Analyst, RH Reality Check
May 18, 2015 - 5:22 pm

California may be traditionally progressive with a history of protecting reproductive rights, but Imperial County has become a new front in the anti-choice movement's effort to erode abortion access well outside the confines of GOP-controlled red states.

Imperial County sits on California's southeastern corner, bordering Arizona and Mexico. Go west and you'll hit San Diego; north, and you'll hit Palm Springs. About 80 percent of the county's households identify as Latino and 65 percent speak predominately Spanish at home, according to the last census.

Despite its desert landscape, Imperial County has wide swaths of farmland thanks to irrigation fields fed by the Colorado River on its eastern border and the Hoover Dam. Jobs in agriculture account for about a quarter of all employment in the county, and even though the state is in a historic drought, water for the area is all but guaranteed because of local politics.

The same cannot be said for reproductive health care, as national anti-choice activists have focused their attentions on a Planned Parenthood health-care facility opening in the valley's El Centro, California.

"Imperial Valley statistically is now rated fourth highest in the state for teen births," Tracy Skadden, general counsel for Planned Parenthood of Pacific Southwest, told *RH Reality Check* in an interview. "It has one of the highest rates of unemployment in California; the high schools sometimes have day care centers."

Skadden said Planned Parenthood agency members spent about five years on the ground in Imperial Valley meeting with members of the community and local organizations to get an understanding of the area's unique health care needs before putting together the effort required to open a new facility.

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Anti-choice protests began after the new Planned Parenthood facility advertised job openings. (Allen Graham - PDImages / Shutterstock.com)



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"We know that they don't have any reproductive health care access specifically as it relates to abortion services," Skadden said. "We know that they have very long waits to get in to see a doctor. A lot of the men and women who come to see us, because they don't have any insurance coverage they really don't go to doctors very often."

"Some of the women in their 30s and 40s who come to see us have never had a pap smear," she continued. Through the Planned Parenthood facility, "they get wellness checks, they get their cholesterol checked, possibly they get screened for diabetes. We don't treat those things, but we do refer them to other health care clinics that can."

The El Centro facility is the only one to provide abortion care anywhere in Imperial County. Still, despite a chronically underserved population in need of comprehensive reproductive health care, Planned Parenthood faced what Skadden described as opposition that was "unprecedented for California" in opening the new facility in El Centro, the heart of Imperial Valley.

After funds for the new facility had been raised, architectural plans were approved by government officials, and all necessary permits were obtained, Planned Parenthood broke ground and finished building the facility this spring.

Then the protests started.

"The thing that triggered the protesters from the very beginning was our 'now hiring' sign that we put up under our logo," Cita Walsh, vice president of marketing and communication, said in an interview with *RH Reality Check*. "When we put the sign up we had hundreds of people apply for jobs at our health center."

While the facility applied for a standard transfer agreement for patients with the city-owned El Centro Regional Medical Center, an area church organized about 500 protesters to come to the hospital's board meeting and complain that by signing the transfer agreement, local officials were "authorizing abortions to occur in Imperial Valley."

The city, in response to the anti-choice backlash, agreed to hire a third-party law firm to review the transfer agreement. That law firm told the city council the transfer agreement was legal and there was no reason the center should not open.

Walsh said that harassment escalated after the transfer agreement was complete, with more than 2,000 anti-choice protesters complaining to the El Centro city council about the opening of the health care center.

"The National Right to Life Movement inserted themselves as outsiders into the Imperial Valley in an attempt to embed Imperial County and ignite the local churches and help them organize," Walsh said.

National anti-choice activists, from former Minnesota Rep. Michele Bachmann (R) to Alveda King, came to the Valley to raise funds for efforts to stop the clinic's opening.

"They brought in people from out of state to try and get the Imperial Valley Coalition for Life funded in order to teach them how to use the Texas playbook," Walsh said. The Texas playbook, as described by Walsh, is centered on pressuring local officials into endorsing TRAP (targeted regulations of abortion providers) measures.

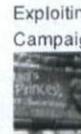
"It starts with you try to stop them with transfer agreements and then you have a lot of



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protesters," Walsh said. "It felt a little like Mississippi or Texas, but right here in California."

Days before the facility was set to open, after city officials had told Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest to invite trained staff in to begin setting up, El Centro city officials denied Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest its occupancy permit on the grounds that the building had been improperly classified and would need significant, additional upgrades before opening.

No other comparable facility in California is subject to the more burdensome requirements city officials want to impose on the El Centro facility.

The decision to reclassify the building just prior to its opening was made by El Centro Fire Chief Kenneth Herbert. Herbert explained to *RH Reality Check* in an email that architects made the initial occupancy classification, but that "[b]ased upon conditions observed," he decided the building needed more stringent requirements and denied fire clearance.

Herbert declined to elaborate on what conditions he observed that prompted his decision that the facility needed a more stringent classification. He told *RH Reality Check* that since the initial permit denial, there have been changes made to the building in an attempt to comply with the "occupancy classification B requirements." After a five-week delay, the city issued the facility a temporary certificate of occupancy.

In other words, the state-of-the-art health-care facility meets all the health and safety requirements it was required to all along.

In signing the licensing document, however, Herbert put in special conditions for their license to remain in place, Skadden said. One condition provides the fire chief with the authority to revoke the document pending a review of the building code by the state's Fire Marshall Department. Herbert has requested from the State Fire Marshall's office "a formal interpretation of the occupancy based on the use of the building." That process could take up to 90 days.

"We complied with all the building, fire, and safety requirements for licensure, but the City of El Centro fire chief made an arbitrary and unilateral decision to deny our final documentation," Skadden said. "The dispute is over a California building code. But it was clear this was about our abortion services."

Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest successfully fought back this round of challenges to providing reproductive health care in Imperial County, but more challenges lie ahead. The Imperial Valley Coalition for Life reported on its Facebook page that "friends" of its organization purchased the property right next to the new Planned Parenthood clinic.

The anti-choice group charged that the property is now "available to our prayer warriors from the 365 days for life to park and to pray and it will be available for sidewalk counseling also."

Meanwhile, those opposed to legal abortion care continue to protest outside the El Centro facility. "We've had some vandalism already, but we are very vigilant with our security and our number-one priority is to the safety of our patients and staff," Skadden said. "California has a long history of protecting reproductive rights, which, thankfully, we were able to rely on our safety and health codes and our California Constitution and other laws that do protect reproductive health care."

The hope for Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest is that the political fight to provide

reproductive health care in Imperial Valley is over. "We intend [to] provide health care in Imperial Valley and to work with the city," Skadden said. "We all have a mutual goal of increasing the health outcomes of the community in Imperial Valley."

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'Chili for Choice' fundraiser for Planned Parenthood attracts protesters

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Tending to St. James Episcopal Church's Facebook page typically isn't a lot of work for the Rev. Dawn Frankfurt, the church's rector since 2011.

That changed last week.

That's when people started posting they were outraged that the church on East Douglas in College Hill was playing host to a "Chili for Choice" fundraiser Jan. 22 – the anniversary of the landmark Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision that affirmed abortion as a constitutional right. The fundraiser for Planned Parenthood of Kansas and Mid-Missouri will benefit Wichita's clinic, which provides reproductive care such as well-woman exams and contraceptives but doesn't offer abortion services.

"Tons of awful stuff was being posted on our Facebook page," Frankfurt said. "Our reach was up to about 18,000 people. I almost immediately turned off the ability to make posts on our page."

People no longer could post to the page, but they still could comment on posts. Frankfurt eventually reported comments to Facebook, and since then, the number of posts she considered offensive have dwindled.

The event has been at St. James the past four years and had never been the subject of protest before, she said Tuesday.

"But last Monday when we came to work," Frankfurt said, "the phones were just starting to ring off the hook. People were asking 'Are you really hosting a chili event to celebrate 42 years of murder?'"

Some messages warned members of the church that they were going to hell.

"We knew immediately there was something going on," Frankfurt said. "We became aware it was a bigger deal than we thought on Wednesday of last week when the Wichita police called and said 'We've been made aware of a protest that may happen at your church and we'd like to talk to you about it.' "

Frankfurt said the church expects a protest by members of anti-abortion groups the Sunday after the event, on Jan. 25.

"We're telling people to come to church as usual and to trust that those who are protesting probably have protested before and know what the rules are," she said.

Planned Parenthood is providing security the day of the event and on Jan. 25.

David Gittrich, state development director for Kansans for Life, said his group is "in the process of formulating some plans. We don't think Jan. 22 is a day of celebration. We think it's a day of mourning."

The calls, e-mails and posts on social media aren't deterring St. James.

"The Episcopal church says you can form your own opinion about reproductive justice and you can be against it or for it. There's room for everybody in the Episcopal church to come together and worship God," Frankfurt said. "We'll see how this goes, but I don't feel like changing my mind on supporting (Planned Parenthood)."

Bishop Dean Wolfe of the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas doesn't either.

"Faithful churches take risks to help people in need," he said in an e-mail to The Eagle. "Saint James Episcopal Church has been serving people in need in the Wichita community since it was founded in 1920."

The Episcopal Church, along with the United Methodist Church, United Church of Christ, Y.W.C.A. and the American Jewish Congress, he said, "has for decades supported women's reproductive health services, whose primary purpose has been to offer maternal care to women in need."

“The decision to offer the Saint James parish hall for a Planned Parenthood chili supper fund-raiser (for the fourth year in a row) has resulted in the church receiving hate-filled email, angry phone calls, and a variety of veiled threats,” he said. “These attacks, most of which have originated outside the Wichita community, are unwarranted and have previously led to dangerous and violent escalations. They do nothing to honor the diversity of opinion many citizens and many Christians hold regarding these issues, and they do not recognize the needs of women, many of whom are without adequate financial resources, to have the kind of health care they so desperately need.”

Susan Moeder, a volunteer for Planned Parenthood who helps organize the event, said this year “I think we just got on somebody’s radar screen.”

Moeder attends College Hill United Methodist Church, and she said some people have mistakenly thought that church was sponsoring the event. Moeder does cook the chili at College Hill and then takes it over to St. James. St. James allows beer and wine to be served at its events, while the Methodist church does not.

“I think somehow (Moeder’s) affiliation with College Hill got plugged into whatever information got out there and that St. James was hosting it for College Hill. That’s not the case,” said the Rev. Kent Little of College Hill United Methodist.

He added his church supported the fundraiser “but can’t take credit for it.”

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Why Opponents of a New Planned Parenthood Are Doing Everything in Their Power to Stop It

Planned Parenthood has \$4 million to build a new clinic in New Orleans. So why is it still an empty lot?



By Jill Filipovic



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Reverend Deanna Vandiver knew abortion was a controversial issue in her home state of Louisiana. But she didn't expect abortion opponents to make her church a target.

"The congregation had just lost two beloved members," said Vandiver, the community minister for the Greater New Orleans Unitarian Universalists and executive director for the Center for Ethical Living and Social Justice Renewal, recalling a service she led in July. "We were holding this time of silence and meditation for all the grief in our hearts. And in that silence, in that meditative space of prayer, one of the members of this group started to speak out, 'You're an abomination, you're a great deceiver, these children are going to go to Hell,' in the midst of this very tender holy moment."

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At the same time, other protesters milled about outside the church day care windows, holding up photos of bloody fetuses. The day care volunteers ushered the children into a classroom without windows, leaving a note on the door indicating their location for worried parents.

The church's crime? It had hosted an event to kick off the construction of a new Planned Parenthood clinic in New Orleans.

That clinic, a \$4.2 million project, has exposed a deep fissure between many of the people who reside in this libertine, diverse town and those who control the moneyed religious institutions, the national anti-abortion movement, and the state government.



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For Planned Parenthood employees, the clinic is an urgent matter of public health: Louisiana has some of the highest rates of sexually transmitted infections in the country, and 58 percent of pregnancies are unintended. They began construction of the proposed 8,000-square-foot facility in May 2013, planning to open in late 2014 or early 2015. Planned Parenthood has never performed abortions in Louisiana. But with just five abortion clinics in the state, this new clinic would offer terminations as part of a long list of other reproductive health services, including annual exams, sexual health education, Pap smears, cancer screenings, birth control access, and STD testing and treatment.

The Catholic Church, the state, and the national anti-abortion movement caught wind of the new clinic early and swept in to block it. Contractors and subcontractors have been intimidated out of working on the project by the threat of being blacklisted from future construction projects and targeted for harassment by abortion foes. Those who stay find their names and personal information published on anti-abortion websites. And earlier this month, the Louisiana Department of Health denied Planned Parenthood's application to build a facility that performs abortions.

More than a year after the kickoff, the future clinic site is still an empty lot, overgrown with weeds aside from what appears to be the foundation of a building. On the partially broken fence, there are a few signs: "High Quality Affordable Health Care for New Orleans. Coming Soon!" "More Health Care. Not Hate." "Our New Health Center – Seeing Patients in 2015."

Religious Opposition

New Orleans is a Catholic town, and the powerful church is a major owner of land and buildings in the

city. The state and federal governments gave hundreds of millions of dollars to the church for post-Katrina building efforts, and money for church-led construction projects keeps pouring in. But in a letter printed in the archdiocese's newspaper in January 2014, Archbishop Gregory Aymond made himself clear: Help build that clinic, and you'll never work in this town again.

"The archdiocese is obliged to remind every person and organization involved in the acquisition, preparation and construction of this or any abortion facility that they are cooperating with the evil that will take place there," Aymond wrote (the archdiocese declined to comment for this article, saying Aymond wanted his letter to stand on its own). "For this reason, the archdiocese, including its churches, schools, apartments for the elderly and nursing homes, will strive in its privately funded work not to enter into business relationships with any person or organization that participates in actions that are essential to making this abortion facility a reality. This policy applies to all businesses, regardless of religious affiliation or non-affiliation."

He stressed that "no justification, including economic hardship," would make it acceptable to work with Planned Parenthood, and any support of Planned Parenthood whatsoever is "a matter of serious scandal." With their ability to work on dozens of future schools, nursing homes, and other church-financed projects on the line, many New Orleans contractors decided working on one Planned Parenthood clinic wasn't worth the sacrifice.

"That proved to be a powerful threat," said Sharon Howard, the former assistant secretary of the Louisiana Office of Public Health, who came out of retirement to help build the clinic. "You have all of that money that came in after Katrina, and [the archdiocese has] lots of money on the books to build schools back, and basically they ran off all the contractors."



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The site of the proposed Planned Parenthood clinic in New Orleans.

This isn't the first time Aymond has used the threat of a religious squeeze-out against anyone who associates with Planned Parenthood. In 2004, when he was a bishop in Austin, Texas, Aymond told Texas Girl Scout troops that unless they dropped their sponsorship of a Planned Parenthood-affiliated sexual health education conference, they would be barred from using parish or school facilities. The year before, a contractor and abortion clinic protester named Chris Danze, who was active in the church, launched a campaign to threaten the livelihoods of contractors who worked on a new Planned Parenthood facility in Austin. According to the *Austin Chronicle*, Danze cobbled together a team who called and wrote to plumbers, electricians, and others set to work on the Austin Planned Parenthood, telling them that if they continued, Danze's organization would forward their information to churches, and they might be blacklisted from future church constructions. According to the Catholic Exchange, a religious website, Aymond also opposed the clinic, going "head-to-head with Planned Parenthood over the construction." Danze says he does not recall Aymond being heavily involved, but he does remember that Aymond was supportive. Although many subcontractors abandoned the project, the clinic went up anyway and opened in 2004. Now that Aymond is the archbishop of New Orleans, he's employing tactics reminiscent of those used in Austin.



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Raegan Carter, director of public affairs of Planned Parenthood Louisiana, says Planned Parenthood understands when local businesses have to opt out of helping to construct the clinic. "We are compassionate and understanding of a business that says, 'We support your work, but I have to feed my family and I can't put my staff in this,'" she says.

Planned Parenthood says it does have contractors and subcontractors on the project, but at least one of the previous contractors bowed out. Others have said they would have taken the work but couldn't risk it, all of which has delayed construction. None of the contractors or subcontractors contacted by Cosmopolitan.com agreed to speak about this story.

A Tough Place to Be a Woman

Almost 10 years after Hurricane Katrina destroyed much of the city, New Orleans is a lively city plagued by poor health and a bad economy. In some of the city's poorest zip codes, life expectancy is just 54.5 years. Louisiana has the second-highest rates of gonorrhea in the country, the third-highest rates of syphilis, and the fourth-highest rates of chlamydia. New Orleans also has the second-highest number of estimated HIV cases in the country, and the highest rate of death after HIV infection.

Women and African-Americans in Louisiana face especially dire outcomes. The infant mortality rate in Louisiana is one of the highest in the country, with an average of 10 babies dying every week in the state in 2011. Maternal mortality is also high in the state, where 1 in 5 pregnant women of color see their prenatal care delayed or nonexistent.

Louisiana has the largest gender pay gap in the country, with women making 66 cents to a man's dollar. African-American women make just 49 cents to a white man's dollar.

"We are first on all the bad lists, and dead last on all the good lists," Howard said.



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The existing New Orleans Planned Parenthood operates out of a converted house and is at capacity almost every day.

Under Gov. Bobby Jindal, many state-funded facilities that have for generations provided primary care options including vaccinations and family planning, scaled back services and even closed across the state. The state has slashed spending for STD prevention. Louisiana also refused the Medicaid expansion under the Affordable Care Act; had they taken it, advocates say, some 422,000 Louisiana residents would have benefited. Louisiana has one of the highest rates of uninsured people in the country, with 16.6 percent of the population lacking health insurance.

The current Planned Parenthood of New Orleans sits in a converted one-story brown house in the city's Garden District, down the street from charming cafes and elegant shops. Despite having just two exam rooms, it saw 6,501 health care visits last year, and generally operates at max capacity. Twenty-nine percent of the city's residents live below the poverty line — nearly double the national average — and many rely on Planned Parenthood for reproductive health care.

Planned Parenthood says the new state-of-the-art facility could see twice as many patients. That clinic would do mostly annual exams, pap smears, UTI treatments, STD testing, cancer screenings, breast exams, and coloscopies, a diagnostic test for cervical cancer. It would also comply with the complex sets of Louisiana laws targeted at abortion clinics — laws that govern minutiae like procedure room size — so doctors could perform terminations. In 2011, more than 12,000 women had abortions in Louisiana.



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Opponents say Planned Parenthood is trying to become a kind of abortion megaplex. According to the leading coalition of religious and anti-abortion leaders led by Louisiana Right to Life, the clinic "will become a regional abortion center in the heart of New Orleans, leading to an increase in abortions in New Orleans."

The coalition says the clinic is unnecessary, pointing to 22 other facilities in the greater New Orleans area that provide at least some of those services. None of the facilities the anti-abortion coalition lists, though, offer abortion care. Representatives from Louisiana Right to Life declined to speak with Cosmopolitan.com for this article. According to their website, the new clinic "will not solve our city's problems; it will only create more."

Blocked by Baton Rouge

Despite Planned Parenthood's efforts, the new clinic may not provide abortion after all. On Tuesday, January 13, Planned Parenthood received a letter from the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, rejecting the paperwork to be an abortion provider in the state.

"It makes me tired," said Melissa Flournoy, who served in the Louisiana House of Representatives from 1992 to 1996 and now works for Planned Parenthood. "It's worse in 2014 and 2015 than it has been in 30 years. The opposition to women's reproductive health care access and rights is better organized, better funded, and more effective now."

Over the past several years, Louisiana passed a series of abortion restrictions. But one change that flew under the media radar was to the administrative code, requiring any proposed abortion clinic construction to have a "Facility Need Review" (FNR) approved by the Department of Health. Before 2012, FNRs applied to inpatient health care facilities funded largely by Medicare and Medicaid — nursing homes, hospices — and basically required that, before constructing one of those facilities, the owner demonstrate that it was needed in the area, to cut down on potentially wasteful public spending. No other outpatient medical facilities are specifically required to get FNRs, and Medicaid doesn't cover abortion care in Louisiana.

Planned Parenthood applied for an FNR in October 2014, the first clinic to apply since the abortion-specific FNR law was enacted. The Department of Health rejected the request, saying Planned Parenthood "failed to establish the probability of serious, adverse consequences to recipients' ability to access outpatient abortion services" — because there wasn't enough evidence to show that there would be grave consequences for women if the clinic doesn't perform abortions, the clinic cannot perform abortions. The final decision, the Department of Health told Cosmopolitan.com, was made by the secretary of the department, Jindal appointee Kathy Kliebert.

Now Planned Parenthood can appeal the decision to an administrative judge, file a lawsuit in state or federal court, or both. The organization is weighing its options.

A tattered sign is on the fence of the new Planned Parenthood site. The organization says the clinic is going to open.

Even if the clinic is able to provide abortions, Planned Parenthood and their patients will face a litany of restrictions. One law passed last year requires doctors who provide abortions to have admitting privileges at local hospitals, but for a variety of reasons — many religiously affiliated hospitals won't give admitting privileges to abortion providers, for example — admitting privileges are difficult to get. That law would have likely shut down all the clinics in the state, but after reproductive rights groups challenged the rule in court, it was stayed. In 2012, Gov. Jindal also signed into law requirements, sponsored by a Democratic legislator, that women undergo an ultrasound at least 24 hours before an abortion, be played audio of the fetus's or embryo's heartbeat, listen to a script read by her doctor about other options, and have her doctor describe and show her ultrasound to her. Women have to specifically opt out if they want to avoid hearing the heartbeat; there is no such opt-out option for the ultrasound description requirement, unless they sign an affirmation stating that they are a rape or incest victim and they reported the crime to authorities.



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Sexual health education has also taken a hit. Sex education isn't mandatory in Louisiana schools, and Planned Parenthood has been a leader in teaching sexual health in its clinics and in Louisiana communities. But a law passed in 2014 bars anyone affiliated with an abortion provider from teaching students about sexual health or family planning. Although the bill doesn't use the organization's name, Planned Parenthood opponents used the organization's educational curriculum to justify voting for the bill. Now, experts in sexual health are no longer allowed to speak at schools if they are in any way affiliated with Planned Parenthood.

"The outcome of that is having conversations with 15- and 16-year-old girls about why they're having sex, and having the answer be because their partner wanted to," said Julie Finger, a physician who specializes in adolescent medicine at a family medicine practice in New Orleans. "And asking them, 'What do you want?' And having them realize, *Oh, I actually have a part in this process.* It's kids not getting birth control because they didn't know it was available and they didn't know we had it for free for them."

"We had a horrible winter," Finger said. "We had three new [HIV] infections in a three-week span: 17, 19, 21. One of whom was a heterosexual male, and when we told him he was infected, he was stunned. He couldn't fathom that he possible could be infected because he's only had sex with women, and in his mind, that's not how you get HIV."

Planned Parenthood employees say abortion opponents do little to decrease the abortion rate and promote public health.

"You can't say you care about children and adolescents, and have STI rates as high as they are, and not support sex education in school," Carter said. "You can't even say you are trying to get fewer children to drop out of school when you realize [a major] reason students drop out of school is teen pregnancy."

Pro-Life Provocations

Over the past two decades, the anti-abortion movement has used name-and-shame techniques to push people out of what they call "the abortion business." In the 1990s, an anti-abortion group created "Wanted" posters for several abortion providers, some of whom were then targets of violence. Dr. George Tiller, a provider in Kansas, was nicknamed "Tiller the Killer," his home address posted across the Internet; in 2009, an anti-abortion activist shot and killed him while Tiller was serving as an usher at his church. That strategy of publishing names, photos, and contact information extends beyond abortion providers and clinic owners to anyone anti-abortion forces see as a "collaborator" to abortion — banks that hold a clinic's accounts, companies that take out a clinic's garbage, the contractor who bids on a Planned Parenthood project. One collaborator list for the New Orleans clinic names everyone from the waste disposal company to a service that installs drain lines, and encourages abortion opponents to "contact them to respectfully voice your opposition to their participation in building Planned Parenthood's child killing center in New Orleans."

That kind of opposition, Howard said, "is a different kind of animal for me. I don't think that I was as cognizant as I should have been of the power of the religious right, especially in New Orleans, and of the archdiocese in New Orleans. But I'm a quick learner. They ain't no joke."



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The tactic seems to be particularly effective in a conservative place like Louisiana, which Americans United for Life anointed America's no. 1 pro-life state, a position it has held since 2012. Gov. Jindal boasts about that recognition, saying he works "to make sure that Louisiana continues to be the most pro-life state in the country." Pro-choice advocates say that kind of political climate gives anti-abortion activists both cover and an outsize sense of their own righteousness.

"When you outline your political platform that aligns with this type of opposition and harassment, then people feel supported in doing those things, and they feel confident that nothing is going to happen to them," Carter said.

In September, Planned Parenthood held a community meeting to offer information on the clinic and invited local construction firms, particularly woman- and minority-owned businesses, to see if any of them might be interested in bidding on a contract. Anti-abortion activists were there, taking pictures and posting them online with the heading, "Here are more faces who attended the Planned Parenthood strategy meeting to kill babies," and telling readers, "If you are local and recognize any of these people, please implore them not to take Planned Parenthood's blood money." According to a blog post by anti-abortion activist Jill Stanek, who does not live in Louisiana but participated in the online campaign to dissuade contractors from working on the project, "Planned Parenthood asking minorities to help build

abortion clinics is akin to having Jews build gas chambers."

Planned Parenthood spokespeople say they are focusing on local businesses because they want to invest in their community.

"We may have been able to move faster if we went out and hired a national firm to come in, but this is the process we're in and we're going to see it to the end," Flournoy said. "We're going to have a center that a lot of local organizations and contractors are going to be able to say they had a part of."

The opposition ramped up this summer, as Operation Save America, a national anti-abortion group known for its inflammatory rhetoric and in-your-face tactics, held a weeklong protest they called "The Battle for the Heart and Soul of New Orleans." Hundreds of activists descended on the city, holding graphic signs outside an abortion clinic and even showing up outside an abortion provider's home.

But that strategy, Planned Parenthood says, is backfiring. In the fall of 2014, Planned Parenthood celebrated 30 years in New Orleans, and the City Council honored the organization "as an important partner in redeveloping our city's health care delivery system." According to Planned Parenthood, many community members have stepped forward to offer support, donations, and services for a cause they believe in. And the organization is adamant that construction will go on this year.

"We're pretty practiced at this," said Dawn Laguens, executive vice president of Planned Parenthood Federation of America. "I would say that this has had an intensity and a shamelessness in terms of the willingness to set aside what I would call humanity and caring that supposedly is at the heart of some of these folks' professions. I think it has been eye-opening to some of the leadership in New Orleans, both political and business and community leaders, to see that side of the opposition really exposed."



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When Operation Save America interrupted service at the Unitarian Church, Rev. Vandiver says it was enlightening for her too.

"I looked in this person's eye from the pulpit, and while I looked at him, it was really clear, 'You know this is not right,'" Vandiver said. "'You know in the bones of your spiritual bones that what you are doing is not right.'"

Congregants joined hands and sang "Circle 'Round for Freedom" to drown out the protesters. And after the story was publicized, the congregation gained new members and received some new donations. It also started a reproductive justice team to meet with Planned Parenthood's interfaith coalition.

"They had to decide: Are we going to be afraid or are we going to stand up as a people of faith?" Vandiver said about her congregation. "And most people said, 'We are going to stand up as a people of faith.'"

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Attachment 4



NAF VIOLENCE AND DISRUPTION STATISTICS

INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE & DISRUPTION AGAINST ABORTION PROVIDERS IN THE U.S. & CANADA

VIOLENCE	1977-94	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	TOTAL
Murder ¹	5	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	8
Attempted Murder	11	1	1	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17
Bombing ¹	29	1	2	6	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	42
Arson ¹	124	14	3	8	4	8	2	2	1	3	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	5	0	181
Attempted Bomb/Arson ¹	64	1	4	2	5	1	3	2	0	0	1	6	4	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	99
Invasion	347	4	0	7	5	3	4	2	1	0	0	0	4	7	6	1	0	0	0	8	399
Vandalism	585	31	29	105	46	63	56	58	60	48	49	83	72	59	45	40	22	27	12	5	1495
Trespassing	0	0	0	0	0	193	81	144	163	66	67	633	336	122	148	104	45	69	47	264	2482
Butyric Acid Attacks	80	0	1	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Anthrax/Bioterrorism Threats	0	0	0	0	12	35	30	554	23	0	1	0	0	1	3	2	1	1	0	0	663
Assault & Battery	95	2	1	9	4	2	7	2	1	7	8	8	11	12	6	9	4	3	7	0	198
Death Threats	225	41	13	11	25	13	9	14	3	7	4	10	10	13	2	16	2	2	6	2	428
Kidnapping	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Burglary	34	3	6	6	6	4	5	6	1	9	5	11	30	12	7	12	13	8	5	0	183
Stalking ²	200	61	52	67	13	13	17	10	12	3	15	8	6	19	19	1	7	1	6	20	550
TOTAL	1801	159	112	223	144	336	215	795	265	143	152	761	474	249	237	187	95	114	88	299	6849
DISRUPTION																					
Hate Mail/Harassing Calls	1833	255	605	2829	915	1646	1011	404	230	432	453	515	548	522	396	1699	404	365	452	420	15934
Email/Internet Harassment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	70	51	77	25	38	44	16	44	17	41	88	535
Hoax Device/Susp. Package	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	13	9	16	17	23	24	17	8	2	7	2	179
Bomb Threats	311	41	13	79	31	39	20	31	7	17	13	11	7	6	13	4	12	1	1	4	661
Picketing ⁴	7768	1356	3932	7518	8402	8727	8478	9969	10241	11348	11640	13415	13505	11113	12503	8388	6347	4780	5706	5574	170710
Obstruction ⁵																			79	396	475
TOTAL	9912	1652	4550	10426	9348	10412	9509	10404	10543	11880	12166	14034	14102	11702	12980	10124	6815	5165	6286	6484	188494
CLINIC BLOCKADES																					
Number of Incidents	634	5	7	25	2	3	4	2	4	10	34	4	13	7	8	1	1	5	6	3	778
Number of Arrests ³	33661	54	65	29	16	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	4	1	33839

All numbers represent incidents reported to or obtained by NAF. Actual incidents are likely much higher. Tabulation of trespassing began in 1999 and tabulation of email harassment and hoax devices began in 2002.

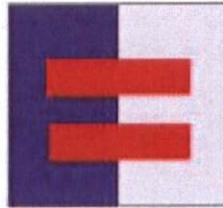
1. Incidents recorded are those classified as such by the appropriate law enforcement agency. Incidents that were ruled inconclusive or accidental are not included.

2. Stalking is defined as the persistent following, threatening, and harassing of an abortion provider, staff member, or patient away from the clinic. Tabulation of stalking incidents began in 1993.

3. The "number of arrests" represents the total number of arrests, not the total number of persons arrested. Many blockaders are arrested multiple times.

4. NAF changed its method of collecting this data in 2011.

5. Tabulation of Obstruction began in 2012. Obstruction is defined as the act of causing a delay or an attempt to cause a delay in the conduct of business or prevent persons from entering or exiting an area. This would apply to violations of the FACE Act.



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2014 National Clinic Violence Survey is the first comprehensive nationwide survey of women's health clinics since the summer of 2010. The Survey found that the most severe types of anti-abortion violence¹ continue to impact 19.7% of clinics nationwide. Although this is down from the 23.5% of clinics nationwide that reported experiencing severe violence in 2010, that nearly 1 in 5 clinics experience severe violence is unacceptable.

Also alarming, clinics surveyed in 2014 are reporting significantly higher levels of threats and targeted intimidation of doctors and staff than in prior years. For example, reports of WANTED-style posters have increased from 1.7% of all clinics in 2010 to 7.7% in 2014. The distribution of pamphlets targeting doctors and clinic staff – like the KILLERS AMONG US leaflets featuring doctors' photographs and their home addresses and personal information – has increased from impacting 18.8% of clinics to 27.9% of all clinics. Clinics reporting that information and pictures of doctors are posted on the internet jumped from 9% to 17.8%. Data from the 2014 survey also shows that the stalking of physicians has increased, from 6.4% of clinics in 2010 to 8.7% in 2014.

Indeed, the overall percentage of clinics impacted by these types of threats and targeted intimidation tactics increased dramatically since 2010, from 26.6% of clinics to 51.9% of clinics. The steep increase in the targeted intimidation of doctors and staff is striking and of great concern, as these types of true threats have all too often in the past preceded the use of deadly violence. Beginning in the early 1990's, an undeniable pattern emerged between the use of WANTED posters and the murder of the doctors named on the posters. Drs. Gunn, Britton, Slepian, and Tiller were all murdered by anti-abortion extremists; all had been featured prior to their murder on WANTED posters with their home and clinic addresses and in some cases, their photographs.

Clinics were also asked how often they experience anti-abortion activity, including protests and demonstrations. One quarter of all clinics, 25%, report they experience anti-abortion activity at their facility on a daily basis. Another 42.8% report that such activity occurs weekly. Only 12% of clinics report they never experience anti-abortion activity. Thus, some 67.8% of women's health clinics nationwide experience frequent and regular anti-abortion activity.

Additionally, the 2014 survey included a new question about whether anti-abortion protesters were tracking doctors' and/or staff members' schedules; some 11.1% of clinics report having experienced tracking within the first six months of 2014.

For targeted clinics, effective law enforcement response continues to be essential in preventing incidents of violence and harassment. Clinics that rated their experience with local law enforcement as "poor" or "fair" were more likely to experience severe

¹ Severe violence includes blockades, clinic invasions, bombing, arson, chemical attacks, stalking, physical violence, gunfire, bomb threats, arson threats, and death threats.

anti-abortion violence and harassment² (59%) than those who rated local law enforcement “good” or “excellent,” (45%).

As in previous years, the survey documented that clinics in close proximity to a so-called Crisis Pregnancy Center, or CPC, experience significantly higher rates of severe violence and harassment: a clinic near a CPC is nearly twice as likely to experience higher rates of severe violence than a clinic not near a CPC. Similarly, clinics located near a CPC were more likely to experience more frequent incidents of violence and harassment.

The survey results show a clear need for continued prosecution of anti-abortion extremists to counter the ongoing unacceptably high levels of severe violence, and the trends of higher levels of targeted intimidation and threats of violence, which have proved in the past to be precursors to severe violence.

METHODOLOGY

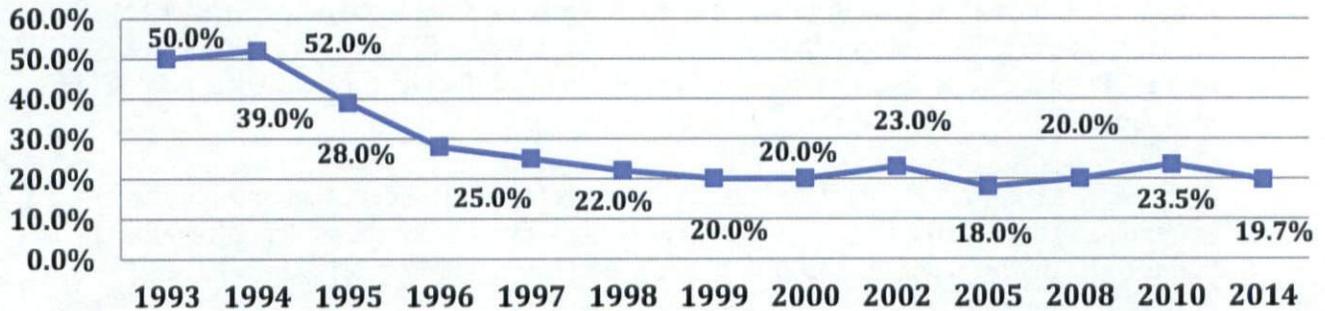
The thirteenth National Clinic Violence Survey, which measured the incidence of anti-abortion violence in the first half of 2014, was mailed out in July 2014. This survey is the most comprehensive study of anti-abortion violence, harassment, and intimidation directed at clinics, patients, and health care workers. It includes information provided by abortion providers of various national organizational affiliations, such as the National Abortion Federation, Planned Parenthood Federation of America, and the Abortion Care Network, as well as independent, unaffiliated clinics.

Providers were mailed the questionnaire in July and also given the option to respond online through an identical survey. A series of three follow-up phone calls were made over the next month. As a result of these efforts, a total of 242 providers responded to the survey. All respondents were assured that their individual responses would remain confidential.

² Combined composite measure of violence and harassment defined to include severe violence variables, vandalism variables (including graffiti, broken windows, tampering with garbage dumpster, tampering with phone lines/calls, nails in driveway/parking lot, vandalism of staff homes or personal property, glue in locks, motor oil in driveway/parking lot) and home picketing and break-ins.

KEY FINDINGS

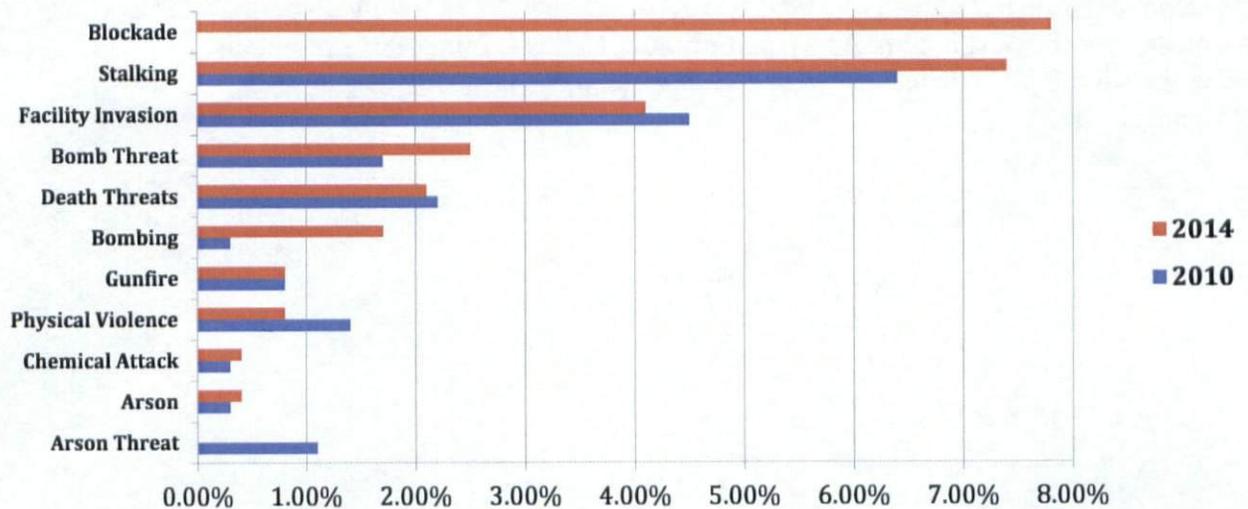
Chart 1: Percentage of Clinics Experiencing Severe Violence 1993-2014



Severe violence affected 19.7% of all clinics surveyed in 2014, down from 23.5% in 2010³ (see Chart 1). Severe violence includes eleven tactics: blockades, invasions, arson, bombings, chemical attacks, stalking, physical violence, gunfire, bomb threats, death threats, and arson threats.

Stalking, facility invasion and blockades were the most commonly reported types of severe violence in 2014 (See Chart 2).

Chart 2: Types of Severe Violence Reported 2010 vs. 2014



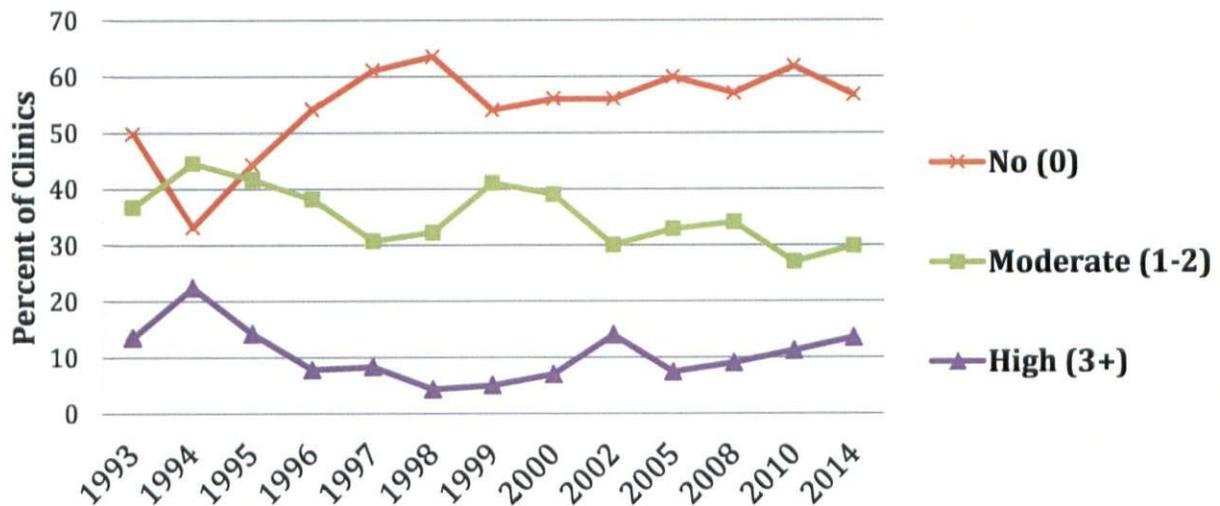
³ Severe violence includes eleven tactics: blockades, invasions, bombings, arson, chemical attacks, stalking, physical violence, gunfire, bomb threats, death threats, and arson threats.

As in prior years, we also looked at the concentration of severe violence and harassment; a combined composite measure of violence and harassment was defined to include severe violence variables, vandalism variables⁴ and home picketing and break-ins. Chart 3 shows the patterns of concentration of the most severe types of violence.

The percentage of clinics experiencing three or more types of severe violence, vandalism, break-ins and home picketing (high levels) increased to 13.5% in 2014 from 11.2% in 2010. The percentage of clinics experiencing moderate levels (1-2 types) also increased from 27% in 2010 to 29.8% of all clinics in 2014; and the percentage of clinics reporting no severe violence or vandalism, home picketing or break-ins decreased from 61.8% in 2010 to 56.7% in 2014.

In a war of attrition, anti-abortion extremists strategically target a vulnerable minority of clinics, aiming to force them to close their doors before moving on to the next set of targets. Thus a majority of clinics experience no violence, while a smaller number report numerous acts of violence or harassment. One clinic reported a total of 8 incidents of severe violence and harassment in the first half of 2014.

Chart 3: Clinics Experiencing No, Moderate, or High Levels of Severe Violence and Harassment (1993-2014)



⁴ Vandalism includes eight variables: graffiti, broken windows, tampering with garbage dumpster, tampering with phone lines/calls, nails in driveway/parking lot, vandalism of staff homes or personal property, glue in locks, motor oil in driveway/parking lot.

TARGETED THREATS & INTIMIDATION TACTICS

The most striking finding of the 2014 survey is the noticeably higher levels of threats and targeted intimidation of persons, including doctors and clinic staff, than in prior years. Chart 4 illustrates the percentage of clinics reporting different types of targeted intimidation and threats in 2010 and 2014.

The incidence of doctors and clinic staff featured on pamphlets increased from 19% in 2010 to 27.9% in 2014. These include the KILLERS AMONG US types of pamphlets that feature doctors and staff photos and information. Reports of WANTED posters also dramatically increased from 1.7% in 2010 to 7.7% of clinics in 2014. Finally, the internet proved to be a key tool in targeting clinics and their doctors, with the reported incidence of clinic staff's information and pictures being posted on the internet increasing from 8.9% in 2010 to 17.8% in 2014.

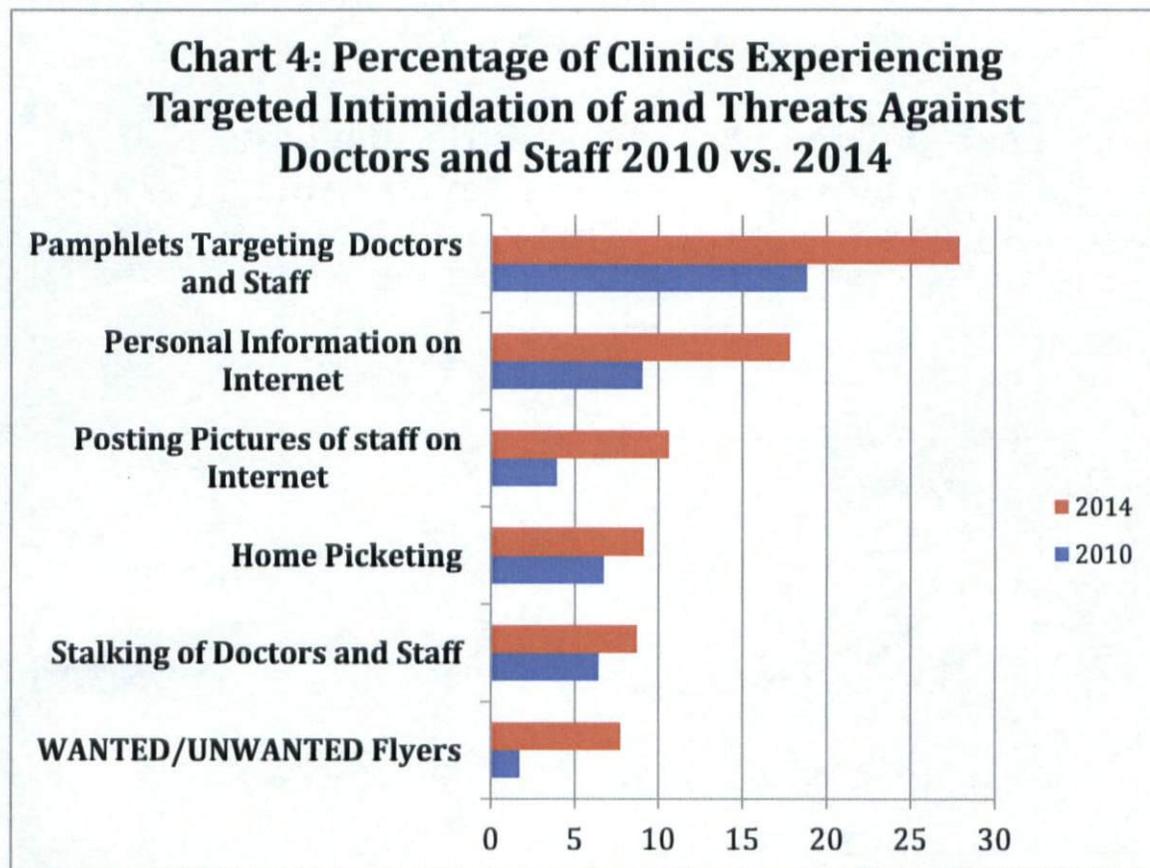
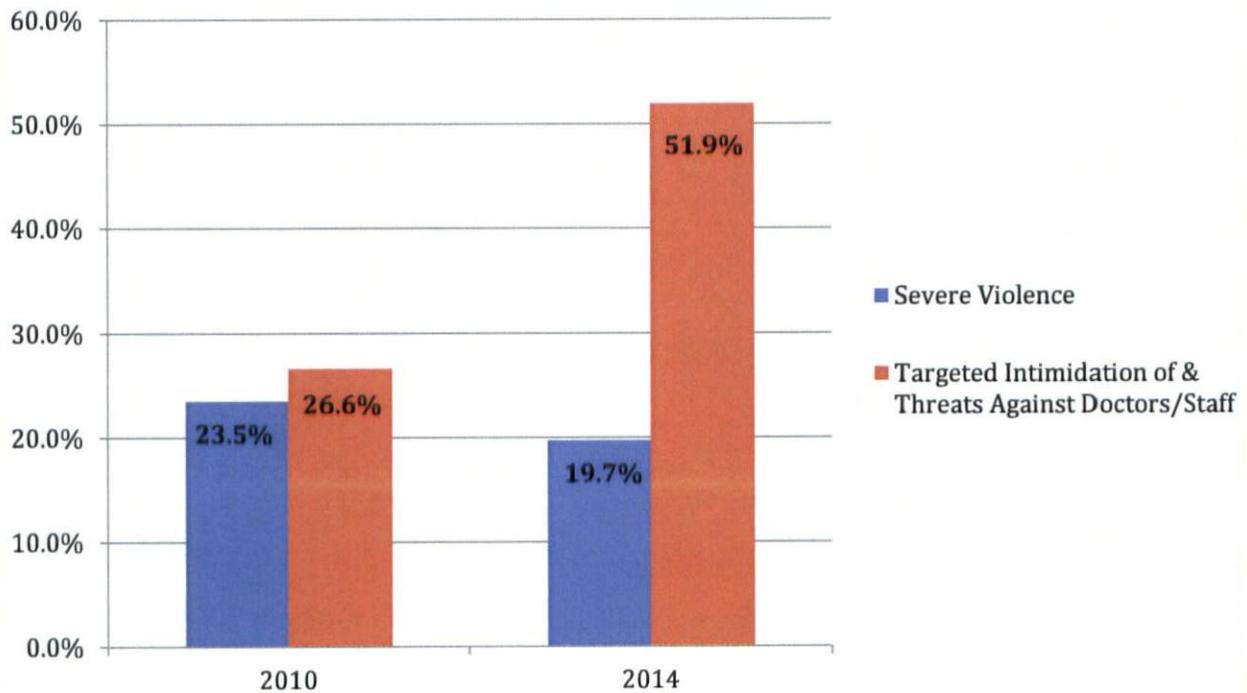


Chart 5 compares the percentage of clinics experiencing severe violence and the percentage of clinics experiencing targeted intimidation of, and threats against, individuals in both 2010 and 2014. Although the incidence of severe violence decreased between 2010 and 2014, the percentage of clinics impacted by targeted threats and intimidation increased from 26.6% of all clinics in 2010 to more than half of all clinics in 2014, or 51.9%.

**Chart 5: Percentage of Clinics Experiencing Severe Violence and the Percentage of Clinics Experiencing Targeted Intimidation of and Threats Against Doctors and Staff
2010 vs. 2014**

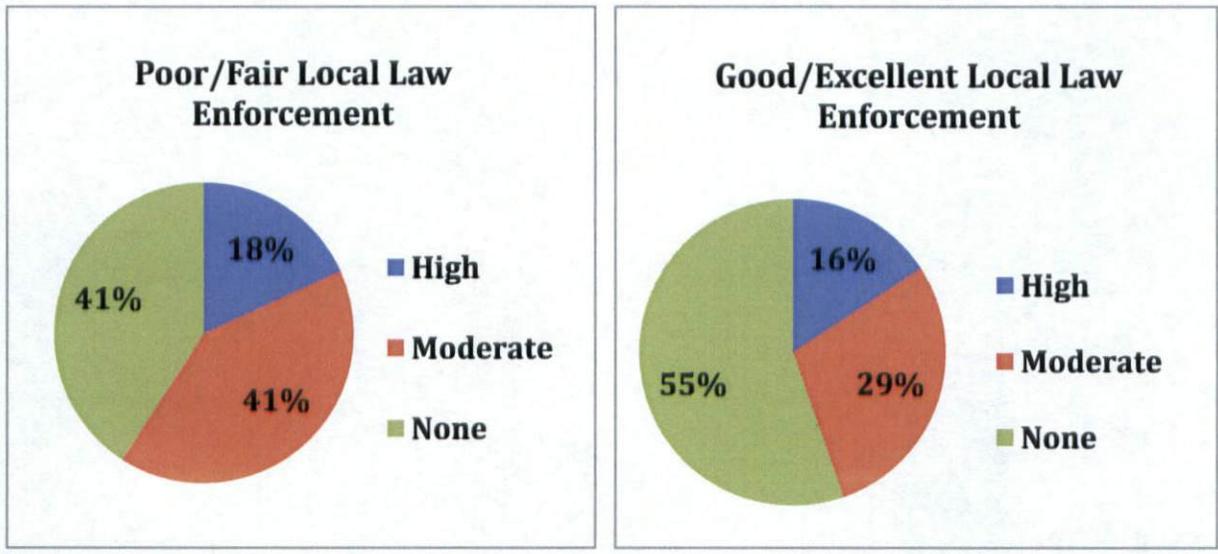


These two measures, taken together, offer a more complete picture of the level of violence and terror impacting clinics nationwide, since targeted intimidation of and threats against persons have preceded more violent attacks on abortion providers in the past. Beginning in the early 1990's, an undeniable pattern emerged between the use of WANTED posters and the murder of the doctors named on the posters. Drs. Gunn, Britton, Slepian, Patterson and Tiller were all murdered by anti-abortion extremists; all had been featured prior to their murder on WANTED posters with their home and clinic addresses and in some cases, their photographs.

LAW ENFORCEMENT RESPONSE

A strong, positive relationship with law enforcement continues to be crucial for abortion clinics threatened by violence and harassment. Clinics rating their local law enforcement as “good” or “excellent” totaled 40.9%, with 21.7% rating their local law enforcement as “fair” or “poor.” Clinics that rated their experience with local law enforcement as “poor” or “fair” were significantly more likely to experience anti-abortion violence and harassment than those who rated local law enforcement “good” or “excellent,” 59% and 45%, respectively.

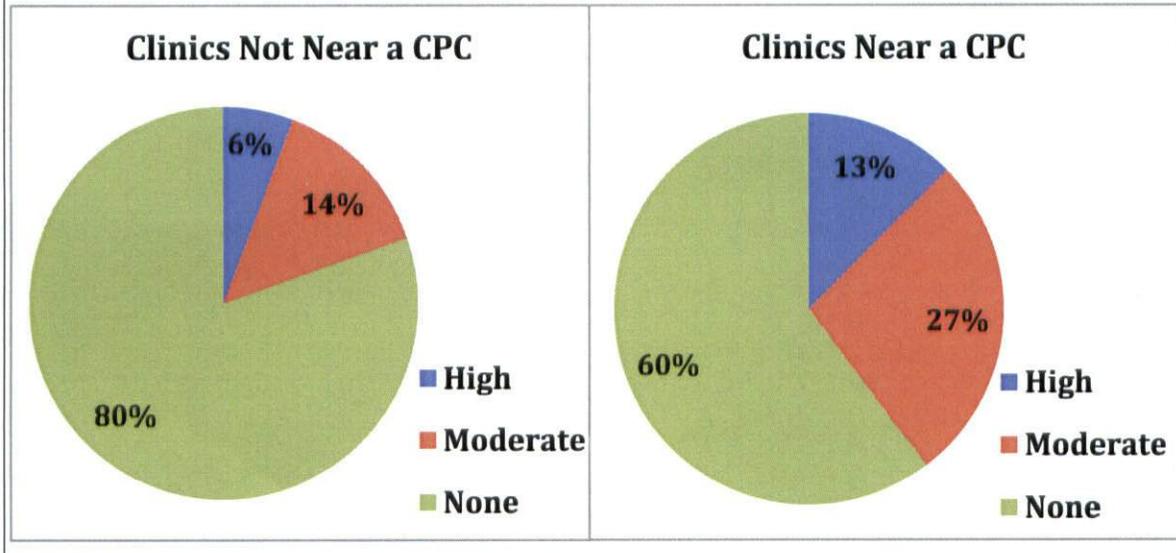
Chart 6: Law Enforcement and Chance of Violence & Harassment



When clinics were asked to compare law enforcement response this year to the previous year, more clinics reported improved local law enforcement response than reported a worsening response, though most reported no change in their relationships with law enforcement. The vast majority of clinics reported that statutory and court ordered buffer zones were either weakly enforced or not enforced at all.

CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTERS

**Chart 7: Violence and Harassment
in Relation to CPC Proximity**



As in previous years, clinics in close proximity to a so-called Crisis Pregnancy Center, or CPC, experience significantly higher rates of violence and harassment: 40% compared to only 19.6% of clinics not near a CPC. In other words, a clinic near a CPC is twice as likely to experience higher rates of severe violence than a clinic not near a CPC. Similarly, clinics located near a CPC were more likely to experience more frequent incidents of violence and harassment: 13% of these clinics recorded three or more incidents whereas only 5.9% of clinics not near a CPC experienced higher rates of violence.