

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATURE:

My name is Allan Parker. I am a former Professor of Law. I am licensed to practice law and currently do so before The United States Supreme Court. I am also the President of The Justice Foundation, a non-profit 501(c)3 public interest litigation foundation. A more complete bio is attached to my testimony. I represent thousands of women hurt by abortion and everything I know about how abortion hurts women comes from women. I will provide you with their testimony as well.

Having reviewed SB6 by Senator Rapert, I am of the opinion SB6 is an excellent vehicle for improving the health and safety of women in Arkansas and moving towards a more just and humane society. Since Arkansas already has a Safe Haven law, as does every other state in the nation, no woman in Arkansas would have to take care of an unwanted child if the bill was passed. On the other hand, Senator Rapert's SB6 is an excellent vehicle for challenging the Supreme Court's current view on *Roe v. Wade*, *Doe v. Bolton*, and *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*.

As you know, *Roe v. Wade* has never been uniformly accepted by the American people. In fact, it is the subject of "severe criticism", which is one reason for overturning Supreme Court precedent. SB6 is based on The Moral Outcry Petition. There are already 350,000 signers of The Moral Outcry Petition calling Abortion a Crime Against Humanity, which it is. A Crime Against Humanity occurs when the government withdraws legal protection from a class of human beings, resulting in severe deprivation of rights, including death.

Abortion obviously results in loss of "infant life" as even the Supreme Court has acknowledged in *Gonzales v. Carhart*, 550 U.S. 124 (2007). The Court in that case also admitted that abortion hurts women. The Court acknowledged that "some women come to regret aborting the infant life she once created and sustained". "Whether to have an abortion requires a difficult and painful moral decision" and is "fraught with emotional consequence." The Court also noted that "severe depression and loss of esteem can follow" an abortion. *Ibid*.

Thus, Arkansas has the chance to lead the nation in using *stare decisis*, the law of judicial precedent, which all of the members of the Supreme Court have sworn to follow, to lead to the reversal of Roe, Doe and Casey. The Supreme Court has overturned its prior opinions over two hundred times, including even in what Justice Kavanaugh calls its single most important decision, *Brown v. Board of Education*, which overturned a 58 year old precedent allowing segregation which millions of American's had unjustly relied upon. The Court overturned a 1972 opinion just last term.

Now under the principles set forth in "The Law of Judicial Precedent" co-authored by Justice Kavanaugh and Gorsuch, *et.al*, with a forward by Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer, there is a clear pathway for reversing *Roe*.

In short, Arkansas can stop killing "**infant life**", instead it already provides a government safety net to help women through the Arkansas Safe Haven law. Finally, there are one to two million people waiting to adopt newborn children in America. https://www.americanadoptions.com/pregnant/waiting_adoptive_families. There will be no burden of foster care for children for the State of Arkansas. It is a win-win for everyone in America, including the women who might otherwise choose abortion today.

I would like to provide to you 4,661 legally admissible written sworn testimonies of Women Hurt By Abortion. The first 108 are from Arkansas. See https://www.dropbox.com/sh/8lksxqweaer4g0u/AAC3l3beB4p7co5cbvMrSrxKa?dl=0.

These testimonies from around the nation also document the terrible pain of abortion:

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/t0i6esr58vwy2df/AAC8IVWfkKPITs0zVKkI78yZa?dl=0

Also, here is a link to the Task Force Report of South Dakota which studied the issue carefully: http://www.dakotavoice.com/Docs/South%20Dakota%20Abortion%20Task%20Force%20Report.pdf

Judge Edith Jones of the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals has said the Supreme Court should reevaluate *Roe v. Wade.* See *McCorvey v. Hill*, 385 F. 3d 846 (5th Cir. 2004) (cert. denied). In *Wayne Stenehjem, et al v. MKB Management Corp, et al*, 795 F. 3d 768 (8th Cir. 2015) (cert. denied) the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals unanimously said abortion should be reevaluated. Now, Arkansas can help that occur.

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The Justice Foundation represents the women and men of **Operation Outcry**, a ministry of The Justice Foundation that seeks to end the pain of abortion in America and around the world by mobilizing women and men hurt by abortion to become witnesses who share their true stories of the devastating effects of abortion through courts and legislatures. Operation Outcry holds the largest collection in the world of legally admissible, written testimonies from women hurt by abortion.

The Justice Foundation's Center Against Forced Abortion (CAFA) provides free legal resources and training for lawyers, police, school counselors, and pregnancy resource centers and direct legal help to mothers who are being unduly pressured, forced or coerced into an unwanted abortion. We estimate the Center's training, assistance and legal tools save between 1000-2000 mothers and babies annually.

The Moral Outcry is a ministry of The Justice Foundation providing free legal representation to Melinda Thybault and assistance to those who sign her nationwide petition asking the Supreme Court to reverse its abortion cases. This petition serves as a symbol of America's Moral Outcry against abortion. It will wake up the nation and galvanize the national conscience to end the scourge of abortion in America. Sign the petition at www.themoraloutcry.com

Allan Parker, President, was lead counsel for Norma McCorvey, formerly "Roe" of Roe v. Wade, from 2000 to 2012, and Sandra Cano, the "Doe" of Doe v. Bolton, until 2014 in their efforts to overturn the two landmark cases that brought legalized abortion on demand to America.

Mr. Parker received his J.D. degree with high honors from the University of Texas School of Law in 1979. He was an Associate Editor of the Texas Law Review, a Chancellor, Order of the Coif, and Order of Barristers for his outstanding advocacy skills. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Oklahoma with a B.A. in Economics in 1974.