

Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization

Updates from the Office of MS Attorney General Lynn Fitch

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KEY ARGUMENT:

Turning the Page on *Roe*

With last week's oral argument and rally attended by thousands in-person and tens of thousands more virtually, we begin to turn the page on *Roe v. Wade* and start a new chapter in American history. We leave behind the false premise that abortion somehow levels the playing field for women. Our ability to succeed is not built on the death of innocent children. Our success is our own. Over the past fifty years, women have rebuilt the workplace. We redefined professional success. We are creating a culture in which women can have it all.

And we mean *ALL WOMEN*, because we are in this together. For fifty years, abortion has been the answer to the question: How do we help women who face extraordinary challenges? Women who live in poverty, in abusive relationships; who have no degrees or job training or support network when they face a crisis pregnancy. For five decades, society has too readily answered with abortion. Last week, women from all walks of life came together to commit boldly and loudly that we will no longer sell them that lie. We came together to defend the fundamental dignity of women and their children. With *Roe*, the Supreme Court pitted women against children, and woman against woman. With *Dobbs*, we assert that we do not accept these false choices. We can empower women *AND* promote life.

-Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Fitch



WHAT WE'RE READING

WORLD: Not your mother's pro-life protest: As the Supreme Court weighed Dobbs v. Jackson, a surprisingly diverse pro-life coalition called for the end of Roe

By Esther Eaton

"The Supreme Court on Wednesday morning heard arguments in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, a case challenging a pro-life Mississippi law that supporters hope will spur the court to overturn *Roe*. By 10 a.m., protesters, press, and police had filled the plaza and street outside the courthouse. The makeup of the protesters indicated the growing diversity of a pro-life movement that has worked for decades to end legal abortion."

CBN News: Pregnancy Centers: Higher Customer Satisfaction than Chick-fil-A

By Moira Gaul and Jeanneane Maxon:

“Empower Women, Promote Life,’ a theme often used in support of Dobbs, encapsulates an operative principle at work at pregnancy centers. By providing compassionate, competent, and professional care, pregnancy centers empower women to make informed choices, and lives are protected.”



Thousands of Americans gathered at the steps of the Supreme Court to #EmpowerWomenPromoteLife on Dec. 1. Thank you to everyone who rallied, watched and prayed. Click the video thumbnails to view our rally highlight video and the full rally video.



ATTORNEY GENERAL LYNN FITCH IN THE NEWS

The Lily: The woman who could bring down Roe v. Wade: Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Fitch believes abortion bans empower women. She's taking that argument to the Supreme Court.

By Caroline Kitchener

"Presented with several slogans designed to capture their approach to the case, the **attorney general** immediately selected a winner. 'Empower Women. Promote Life.' The motto got right to the crux of Fitch's argument, while alluding to a belief that has shaped her 12-year political career: Empower women, and they will help themselves."

Hattiesburg American: PHOTOS: 2021 Crime Victims Christmas Tree Dedication in Jackson

Family and friends of crime victims bow their heads in prayer during the 2021 Crime Victims Christmas Tree Dedication at the Walter Sillers State Office Building in Jackson, Miss., Monday, Dec. 6, 2021. **Attorney General Lynn Fitch** hosted the dedication for crime victims in the state.

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