

“Pro-Choice” Violence and Illegal Activities in the District of Columbia



First-Degree Murder (2 counts), Child Sexual Molestation (4 incidents), Forced Abortions (4 incidents), Bank Robbery and Embezzlement [Rockville, Maryland]

When he was 19, pro-abortionist Garrett Wilson began to sexually molest 12-year-old Debbie Oliver, and emotionally browbeat her into having at least four abortions before she was 15 years old. He finally married her in 1980 when she could not have another abortion because she was too far along. Baby Brandi Jean was born shortly after the marriage. Wilson took out extensive life insurance policies on the baby girl and smothered her to death when she was just two months old. He took the resulting \$40,000 settlement and bought a brand-new Pontiac Trans Am.

Wilson married Missy Anastasi in March 1986, and, in March 1987, they had a child, Garrett Michael. Wilson bought \$150,000 of life insurance on the five-month-old baby and then smothered him to death. A few months later, he abandoned his wife, moved away, filed for divorce without even telling her, and got married a third time. He was finally arrested in May 1998. On July 29, 1999, a jury took just two hours to find him guilty of first-degree murder in the death of Garrett Michael, and he received a sentence of life in prison without parole.

Wilson also served time for bank robbery and was convicted of embezzling funds from his bank.

Reference: Harry Jaffe. "He Killed My Baby." *Readers Digest*, August 2000, pages 86 to 93.

Gross Negligence (3 incidents), Involuntary Abortion, Criminal Abortion, Malpractice (2 incidents), Violation of Health and Safety Standards (8 incidents) and Negligence

Abortioneer Milan Vuitch paid \$150,000 to the family of Georgianna English, who died at his hands of anesthetic overdose during her fourth abortion at his clinic. The complaint said that Vuitch's clinic staff improperly monitored the anesthesia process, resulting in English suffering massive brain damage and cardiopulmonary collapse, leading to her death.

Vuitch and the abortion mill's anesthesiologist, Stahil Nacey, did not admit any wrongdoing in the settlement.

Vuitch was also sued by "Amanda," who said that Vuitch aborted her at his Laurel Clinic on January 8, 1981. Vuitch lacerated Amanda's uterus and then kept her overnight, in violation of clinic licensing statutes. He then moved her to his home, designated as the "Clinic Annex," and cared for his injured patient there.

He then returned her to the Laurel Clinic on January 10, and discharged her. On January 11, in severe pain, Amanda was taken to the hospital by relatives and admitted. There, exploratory surgery discovered an unsutured laceration leaving a hole from her vagina into her abdominal cavity, and "significant pelvic and intestinal peritonitis."

Amanda had to have a total hysterectomy. Surgeons "also removed a mass of dead tissue from the abdomen, which laboratory analysis revealed was fetal tissue."

Vuitch used the company car to transport patients from his Laurel Clinic to the "Annex" [his house], "which is not licensed in Maryland to treat patients," and testified to transporting several patients to the "Annex" for overnight stays.

Although Vuitch managed to stay out of trouble when he was doing criminal abortions, his practice deteriorated after *Roe v. Wade*. In addition to killing Georgianna English, he also killed Wilma Harris.

Vuitch also admitted lacking hospital privileges since 1963.

In June 1982, the abortionist also paid \$125,000 to Andrea Furr, who said that he aborted her after she had asked only for an examination. Furr's uterus was lacerated and she had to have a hysterectomy. A Superior Court jury found him guilty of negligence and malpractice in this case.

Vuitch, a native of Yugoslavia, was a leader in the charge to challenge local restrictions on abortion, was a national leader of the pro-abortion movement, and had performed more than 50,000 of the procedures as of August 1983. He had boasted that "I was one of the original fighters for liberalization of abortion laws. I was the guy who told physicians to step forward. Girls were going overseas to get abortions or get them underground in America. America has to give this kind of service I do."

In 1964, he was arrested in his Falls Church office for performing an illegal abortion. In 1969, he was successful in challenging the District of Columbia's abortion law, which was overturned for vagueness. Immediately after this opinion was rendered, Vuitch opened an abortion mill named the Laurel Clinic at 1712 I Street N.W.

The abortionist operated this clinic in as shoddy and dangerous a manner as his others. In 1985, the clinic was considered so dangerous to patients that ultra-liberal District of Columbia Mayor Marion Berry bypassed the licensing agency and ordered it closed. Among many citations against the Laurel Clinic, it was noted that its personnel improperly used anesthesia, and the clinic itself operated under extremely unsanitary conditions.

References: "Local Abortion Doctor Faces Malpractice Suit." *The Washington Times*, August 16, 1983, page 8A; David Sellers. "Abortionist Settles Lawsuit for \$150,000." *The Washington Times*, August 18, 1983, page 8A; Debra Braun. "Abortionist Agrees to Pay in Death of Client." *National Right to Life News*, September 15, 1983, page 4; District of Columbia Court of Appeals Case #2-1077; District of Columbia Circuit Court Case #75-1156; "Health, Safety Violations Persist." *The Washington Post*, May 26, 1985; Christina Dunigan. "Back Alley Butchers vs Main Street Maimers." *Pro-Life Views*, September 1, 2000.

Murder, Kidnapping, Medicaid Fraud, Malpractice (30 incidents) and Perjury (26 counts)

Robert Sherman is one of those 99 percent of abortionists who give the other one percent a bad name.

He was tried for murder after killing 16-year old Carmen Rita McDowell. He intentionally performed an incomplete second-trimester abortion upon her on March 4, 1975. Three days later, Rita's mother called, reporting a fever, but Sherman declined to see her, telling the mother to bring her in a couple of days later. The girl collapsed and was taken to a hospital, where emergency treatment removed a mangled preborn child. She died the next day from a septic abortion. A mistrial was called when Sherman was removed from the courtroom complaining of chest pains. At the hospital it was discovered that he had taken drugs which would produce symptoms of heart disease. This ploy worked to his advantage. He later entered a guilty plea on 26 perjury charges in exchange for dropping the second-degree murder charges.

According to prosecution testimony, Sherman "deliberately performed incomplete abortions, used unclean instruments, and allowed unqualified personnel to perform medical procedures at his clinic." Sherman "deliberately performed partial abortions and then asked patients to return for a second procedure at additional cost." Sherman "reused disposal instruments from patient to patient -- sometimes still covered with the blood of previous patients."

An attorney for the McDowell estate stated that Sherman "wouldn't change the paper on the operating table. He would operate with one hand and eat a tuna fish sandwich with the other, and talk to his stock broker on the phone." A memorandum cited his re-use of disposable medical supplies, failure to purchase needed sterilization equipment, unsanitary upkeep of facility, failure to empty the aspirator jar between abortions, failure to confirm pregnancy, billing Medicaid for pregnancy tests not performed, having an unlicensed aide perform surgical procedures at his facility, patients unwilling or unable to return to facility after incomplete abortion given plastic garbage bags to dispose of fetal remains, refusal to hospitalize injured patients, lack of informed consent, and inadequate anesthesia.

Sherman has been the defendant in at least 30 medical malpractice suits, many of which are still pending. He has been blamed in two other patient deaths, but no criminal charges have been filed against him in those cases. According to a government sentencing memorandum and affidavits from numerous former patients, Sherman forcibly confined another woman for three days in his clinic and at the home of an employee before manually yanking a five-month-old fetus from her womb.

The abortionist was paroled after 22 months in prison. His indictment said that he had a "malicious interest in making more money, cutting his costs and saving his time in disregard for the life and health of his patients." After he was paroled, he set up practices in Massachusetts and Virginia.

References: *New York Times*, October 6, 1982; *People Magazine*, July 21, 1982; *The Times Review*, July 19, 1979; *Chicago Catholic*, October 22, 1976; *Washington Times-Review*, July 19, 1979; Elizabeth Moore. "Trial of D.C. Abortionist For Murder." *National Right to Life News*, December 1978, page 3. "Abortionist Sentenced." *National Right to Life News*, October 1979. "Sherman Forced Abortions." *National Right to Life News*, October 1979; Elizabeth Moore. "Convicted Abortionist Seeks Practice in Massachusetts." *National Right to Life News*, September 30, 1982, pages 5 and 14.

Second-Degree Murder, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, (ADW), Illegal Possession of a Handgun and Ammunition, and Driving without a License (2 incidents)

Two very young people who took Planned Parenthood's advice to "just be responsible when you have sex" had their lives ruined in a very violent and dramatic way.

Fourteen-year-old "A.S." (whose identity was withheld by authorities because of his age) had a twelve-year-old girlfriend, Larhonda "Mika" Wages, who was pregnant.

On May 28, 1989, they got into an argument. "A.S." demanded that Larhonda have an abortion, but

she refused. So he put a handgun against her cheek and pulled the trigger, killing her instantly.

"A.S." turned himself in to police. Homicide Detective Joseph Schwartz Jr. testified that "He said that they'd been discussing their relationship, the fact that she was pregnant, the fact that she wanted to have the baby, the fact that he ... wanted her to have an abortion."

On May 31, 1989, "A.S." was charged with second-degree murder and illegal possession of a handgun and ammunition in juvenile court. The maximum sentence he could receive was two years in a detention center, renewable under a judge's discretion until he was 21. This despite the fact that he had coldly murdered two people and had a long criminal record, even at his age.

He had been charged with assault with a dangerous weapon, driving without a license twice, and had tested positive six times for cocaine use under court-ordered testing.

Reference: Barton Gellman. "Youth, 14, Charged in Girlfriend's Slaying: Dispute Over Getting an Abortion Led to NE Shooting, Police Say." *The Washington Post*, June 1, 1989.

Kidnapping (3 incidents), Death Threats (3 incidents) and Disorderly Conduct

"Pro-choicers" frequently tell pro-lifers that our "violent rhetoric" leads directly to actual physical violence, and that we especially should never say that "abortion is murder," since it might also lead to violence.

Of course, we never hear about "pro-choice" people trying to silence other leftists who spout violent and racist rhetoric.

Radical environmentalist James L. Lee hated people — it was as simple as that.

He said that he owed his "awakening" to former Vice President Al Gore when he saw his 2006 environmental schlockumentary "An Inconvenient Truth." He was also profoundly influenced by Daniel Quinn's environmentalist cult novels *Ishmael* and *My Ishmael*, which tell the story of a sentient gorilla who castigates humans for having too many babies.

In February 2008, Lee was arrested during a protest at the Discover Channel headquarters in Silver Spring, Maryland, and was charged with disorderly conduct. He served two weeks in jail for this offense.

In 2009, members of American Life League were holding a protest at a Planned Parenthood building in Washington, D.C., and Lee showed up to harangue them. Lee recorded a video of the encounter, which he then uploaded to YouTube. He said

You can't say that we can breed as many children as I want, and that the earth is unlimited — the earth is limited. You can't just say we got to fill the earth, have all these children, and nevermind all the other creatures. That's what the Bible says. See, personally I don't care if you humans destroy yourselves with your stupid wars. But, you can't destroy the natural world. The atomic bomb hurts other creatures ... Why don't you guys just slice yourselves with knives instead of something, but please don't hurt the wildlife like that, there's only so many of them. Animals are wonderful creatures ... they live sustainable lives. They mean no harm But humans are really environmentally destructive and we gotta stop breeding or something.

The ALL people were especially struck by Lee calling them "you humans," as if he no longer considered himself a member of the human race.

Lee had written an extremely racist manifesto, which you can read [here](#). This manifesto had been posted on his Web site www.savetheplanetprotest.com (now defunct), and its purpose was to show "how

people can live WITHOUT giving birth to more filthy human children since those new additions continue pollution and are pollution."

It goes on to rave that

Saving the Planet means saving what's left of the non-human Wildlife. That means stopping the human race from breeding any more disgusting human babies! ... It is the responsibility of everyone to preserve the planet they live on by not breeding any more children who will continue their filthy practices. ... Programs must be developed to find solutions to stopping ALL immigration pollution and the anchor baby filth that follows that. Find solutions to stopping it. Call for people in the world to develop solutions to stop it completely and permanently. Find solutions FOR these countries so they stop sending their breeding populations to the US and the world to seek jobs and therefore breed more unwanted pollution babies. FIND SOLUTIONS FOR THEM TO STOP THEIR HUMAN GROWTH AND THE EXPORTATION OF THAT DISGUSTING FILTH! ... Talk about Malthus and Darwin until it sinks into the stupid people's brains until they get it!! ... programs encouraging human sterilization and infertility must be pushed. All former pro-birth programs must now push in the direction of stopping human birth, not encouraging it. ... Saving the environment and the remaining species diversity of the planet is now your mindset. Nothing is more important than saving them. The Lions, Tigers, Giraffes, Elephants, Froggies, Turtles, Apes, Raccoons, Beetles, Ants, Sharks, Bears, and, of course, the Squirrels. The humans? The planet does not need humans.

On September 1, 2010, Lee finally decided to translate his delusions into hard reality. He arrived at the Discovery Channel headquarters where he was arrested previously. He pulled out a handgun and demanded that Discovery Channel executives run programming geared toward stopping the propagation of "parasitic human infants" in order to save the planet from global warming and pollution. His intention was to force the network to discourage overpopulation and the "human filth" of new children, particularly among immigrant populations.

Lee threatened three Discovery Channel employees with his handgun while he raved on about "filthy humanity," and police at one point thought that he might be wearing a bomb vest as he had claimed. For four hours, he held the three terrified hostages. Finally, he pointed the handgun at one of his hostages and was killed by a police sniper.

Not a single "pro-choice" or environmental group condemned Lee's violent rhetoric and actions. Not one of them criticized or questioned Al Gore's contribution to Lee's nutty behavior. The most that they would do is claim that he was mentally ill, a privilege they did not extend to John Salvi.

References: Kathleen Gilbert. "Discovery TV Gunman Demands Halt to 'Parasitic Human Infants,' Credits Al Gore with 'Awakening'." *LifeSite News*, September 1, 2010; James Tillman. "Expert: Discovery Gunman far from First Eco-Terrorist." *LifeSite News*, September 2, 2010.

Attempted Arson, Stalking, Assault (4 incidents), Battery, Sexual Abuse (21 incidents), Resisting Arrest, Disorderly Conduct, Destruction of Property, Death Threats (3 incidents) and Insurance Fraud (5 incidents) [Fairfax, Virginia]

Abortionist Arye N. Snir was jailed and fined for assaulting three female patients during office examinations. He told one patient that she had beautiful breasts, tugged on her navel ring, and described

a sexual act he wanted to do involving suspending her from a ceiling fan by the navel ring. He applied a solution to her vagina, causing pain that left her screaming for 15 minutes. Another patient said that he rubbed her genitals, made inappropriate comments, told her to chart her sexual activity, and told her "I speak five different languages, I have practiced in five different countries, I do this for women for their own good." Another patient said that he told her she had beautiful breasts, that if his wife saw them she'd be jealous, told her he liked to perform oral sex on Black women, and "grasped her arms, held them up, and said "I'd like to rent this for the weekend."

A police officer who arrested Snir said Snir told him "I'll have to stop kissing my patients." He was ordered in 1990 to undergo psychiatric evaluation and treatment in that he "may be physically and/or mentally impaired to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to his patients." The medical board investigated other allegations. At least 18 other female patients claimed that he sexually harassed them in various ways, including kissing them, making inappropriate comments about their appearance, proposing to engage in sexual activity with them, falsely informing them they had herpes, applying solutions to their vaginal areas which caused severe burning and pain, dispensing various medicines out of an unlabeled "ziplock" bag and grabbing their arms as they attempted to leave his office.

One of his female employees gave two weeks notice for resignation, and Snir "became enraged and attempted to physically prevent her from leaving by grabbing her arm and shoving a sofa in front of the exit." The abortionist made unwelcome calls to another woman's home making sexual comments, repeatedly appeared at a hotel where she worked, causing disturbances requiring intervention by security staff. Snir also defrauded insurance companies by billing them for procedures he did not perform. On April 7, 1994, he assaulted his receptionist, throwing her against a wall and throwing his keys at her.

He was reprimanded by the Virginia Board of Medicine in 1987 after a complaint that he allowed an unlicensed assistant to examine a patient. He received probation on five criminal charges relating to an attempted arson: Attempting to burn a property, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, destroying or injuring the property of another, and open fires generally. He also received probation following charges of assault and battery of a process server on September 3, 1988.

During divorce proceedings, his wife charged him with cruel and abusive treatment. His attorney stated Snir "suffers from a progressive mental disease and emotional condition which has had a deleterious effect on his social relationships and economic productivity," but Snir "retracted that claim after Fairfax Circuit Judge Jack B. Stevens ordered a psychiatric examination to confirm it." He also faced criminal charges for making threatening phone calls to his ex-wife.

On May 13, 1994, the Medical Board finally ordered him to cease the practice of medicine in Virginia.

References: *Washington Post*, August 5, 1994; *Fairfax Journal*, August 5, 1994; and Virginia Medical Board Letters dated May 5, 1982, April 14, 1988, May 27, 1988, April 17, 1990, and May 13, 1994.

Arson and Theft [Pittsfield, Maryland]

A pro-abortion arsonist destroyed the Berkshire County (Maryland) Right to Life office in August 1979 and stole records of contributors and supporters.

References: "Leads Prayer March And Vigil." "Right to Life Office in Blaze; Records Recovered." *National Right to Life News*, September/October 1979, page 6; *ALL About Issues* September-October 1992, page 20.

Torture, Forced Abortion, Assault (2 incidents), Battery, Harassment (12 incidents), Domestic

Violence, Grand Theft, Grand Larceny, and Violating Probation [Manassas, Virginia]

There are many famous pro-abortionists who are criminals -- John Biskind, Brian Finkel, and Josef Mengele, Auschwitz' "Angel of Death," to name just three -- but perhaps the most famous pro-abort of all is known not by what he did to others, but by what someone did to *him*.

John Wayne Bobbitt is a typical pro-abortionist -- cruel, self-centered and clueless. He married an 18-year-old Venezuelan virgin named Lorena and began to mistreat her more and more severely. Bobbitt's second wife, Dottie Brewer, said that

He admitted he did really mean things to her. She was just 18, a virgin who'd come to America from Venezuela. He started fooling around behind her back, and showing her pictures of the women he'd slept with. He would go to her car, pull the wires out, and think it was funny when she got hysterical when she couldn't get to work the next morning. Then she got pregnant and he forced her to have an abortion. He would throw her on her floor and perform Marine torture techniques and laugh about it. Yet he still talks about their marriage like it was yesterday. He calls her every year on her birthday and tells her that he loves her. I think he'd take her back, despite everything, but she will never talk to him. But that's John. In total denial about everything.

Finally, Lorena had had enough. She grabbed an 8-inch carving knife and chopped off his penis while he slept in a drunken stupor. Then she drove away and tossed it out her car window. Amazingly, police found it in a field, and doctors managed to reattach it. In January 1994, a jury found Lorena Bobbitt not guilty of assault by reason of insanity.

John Wayne Bobbitt was a swine, there is no question about that. But he did not deserve to be mutilated so badly that he lost two-thirds of his blood.

Man-hating feminists, of course, saw things differently. Lorena became an instant hero to them. *Vanity Fair* even "celebrated" Lorena Bobbitt and her act in its November 1993 issue in an article, complete with photos, entitled "Sex, Lies, and an 8-Inch Carving Knife."

What would feminists say if some crazed man beat up his nagging, disagreeable wife (or mutilated her breasts with a carving knife), and was then "celebrated" in such a manner in a men's magazine? This question shows how lopsided 'victimhood' really is.

Lorena Bobbitt's many supporters modified the "V-for victory" sign by making scissorlike motions with their fingers. The feminists even ruthlessly hounded James Sehn, the surgeon who reattached Bobbitt's penis. They even harassed Sehn's wife, Christine, for weeks at her beauty salon, luncheons, and at church, by women who told her that "I wish she'd put it down a garbage disposal."

John Bobbitt moved on with his life. He made some porn films, moved furniture, and drove limousines. Meanwhile, he racked up a pretty impressive criminal record as well. Between 1994 and 2002, he was convicted of assault, battery, domestic violence, grand theft, grand larceny, and violating probation.

As Dottie Brewer says, "The sad thing is, when they stitched that thing back on, they created even more of a monster."

References: Tanith Carey. "John Bobbitt Uncut ... By Second Wife." *The Mirror* [United Kingdom], January 24, 2004.

Assault (6 incidents)

During the Presidential campaign of 2004, leftist organizations often complained bitterly about how

George W. Bush's organizers would not let them protest at his events.

At least the leftists weren't physically attacked when they spoke out.

On April 23, 2004, pro-abortion organizations were holding a rally for losing Presidential candidate John Kerry in Washington, D.C. just before holding a March for Death.

The pro-aborts began chanting "What do we want? Choice! When do we want it? Now!" The next time through the chant, the pro-life women all shouted "Life!"

At this point, Suanne Edmiston and her friends from George Washington University were surrounded by aggressive women wearing NARAL and Planned Parenthood T-shirts, who demanded that they leave. Suanne and her friends replied that they had paid to attend this event, and that they wanted a uniformed representative to escort them away.

Then the pro-aborts linked arms and forcibly dragged three of the pro-lifers away from the event. Suanne's foot was dragged against the rough gravel, causing it to bleed so much that she required medical attention. One pro-abortionist told Suanne that her mother should have aborted her. No security personnel asked the pro-lifers to leave; they were simply assaulted by the pro-abortionists.

Suanne said "I have never been manhandled like that before -- pushed around, shoved and tossed -- it was ridiculous. I really felt violated, they had no right to touch me like that. So much for 'my body, my choice.'" Priscilla, another pro-life student, was dragged by the strap of a backpack. The strap began to wrap itself around her neck and she began to choke.

During this scuffle, older pro-aborts yelled at the younger ones to leave the pro-lifers alone, that they could be injured, and that they had a right to be there as well.

Two photographers who were at the event tried to take pictures of the scuffle, but other pro-abortionists surrounded them and blocked them. One of the photographers, a pro-abortion marketing manager who writes for the *INDC Journal*, witnessed the incident. He said "What were most likely NARAL representatives linked arms and formed a human chain around" the women. "There were points when they were dragging [the women] and there was a massive amount of people stumbling towards the exit."

He described how the pro-aborts tried to block him from taking pictures:

I was following the surge along, trying to snap pictures on a failing battery, when I felt a push and saw a hand in my face. [One abortion advocate] began blocking me and shouting, 'You can't take pictures of that!' It's of course understandable that these people had to be removed, but I'd be curious to know the legality involved with the crowd forcibly removing them. I was surprised that they weren't asked to leave by professional security personnel. ... [Later] I spied one of the secret service dudes on the perimeter chuckling about the hubbub.

Martin Leuders, a D.C.-based freelance photographer, also witnessed the incident. He said he also tried to take photos of what was happening, but a pro-abort hit him on the head with a sign, causing him to start bleeding.

Naturally, there was absolutely no mention of these attacks in the 'mainstream' media. But had a few pro-aborts been roughed up by pro-lifers at a George W. Bush rally, the sniveling would have reached a crescendo.

References: Steven Ertelt. "Pro-Life Women Forcibly Dragged From John Kerry Abortion Rally." *LifeNews*, 27, 2004; Steven Ertelt. "Photographers Discuss Manhandling of Women at John Kerry Abortion Event." *LifeNews*, April 28, 2004.

Assault and Battery

It is not uncommon for attacks on reluctant women to take place even on the doorstep of an abortion clinic. In one incident that led to prosecution for assault and battery, a man began to beat his girlfriend when she balked at a local abortion mill door and refused to enter.

According to the sworn testimony of Richard Seron, a security guard wounded during John Salvi's Brookline rampage in 1994, such conduct is not uncommon. According to Seron, the greatest threat to women near abortion clinics is not from pro-life protestors, but rather from the men who are accompanying their wives or girlfriends to the clinic.

References: *The Washington Times*, August 18, 1997 and *The Boston Globe*, April 16, 1999.

Assault (4 incidents) and Malpractice (2 incidents) [Fairfax, Virginia]

Abortionist Joel W. Match grossly botched an abortion on Tina Marie Lake at the Northern Virginia Women's Medical Center abortion mill on April 13, 1991, nearly killing her. He perforated her uterus, and, according to Tina Marie's subsequent lawsuit,

despite the need to monitor Ms. Lake's post-operative care in the recovery room, completely ignored Ms. Lake and continued in his assembly-line-like performance of approximately fifteen abortions in quick succession ... he stood drinking coffee and watching Ms. Lake suffering from severe sustained pain ... without even examining or treating her for excessive bleeding, large blood clots and severe pain; abandoned Ms. Lake and discharged her when she was hemorrhaging and visibly suffering from shock; did not return. The hemorrhage nearly caused her death, and necessitated a hysterectomy.

Match failed to diagnose or inform Tina that her pregnancy was in the second trimester, did not inform her of risks particular to second-trimester abortion in general or her case in particular, and failed to inform her of the development of her unborn child. Tina stated that she would not have consented to abortion had she been provided with correct information.

Match attended and graduated from the "Autonomous University of Guadalajara, Mexico," an extraordinarily sub-standard "medical school," failed in each of two known attempts to become Board-certified in obstetrics and gynecology, and previously committed malpractice in the performance of this same abortion procedure, causing, as in this case, severe hemorrhaging and permanent injuries.

The abortionist "was found by this Court to have deserted/abandoned his wife and subjected her to physical cruelty [choking her, body-slammng her, kicking her, throwing her down the stairs, beating her face, pulling her hair and screaming at her]," (brackets in original), "has undergone psychiatric/psychological treatment and counseling with respect to his violence and cruelty to a woman (his wife)," and "repeatedly referred to women as 'cunts.'" Lake's suit also asserted that "A close relative of Dr. Match has suggested that Dr. Match 'hates women,'" and that "Dr. Match's personal and occupational attitudes and behavior toward women evidences a psychological need and desire to control and use vulnerable women or women in vulnerable positions for his own purposes, resulting in an indifference to, and reckless disregard of, the welfare of female patients."

References: Fairfax County Circuit Court case #133092; Match's deposition in District of Columbia Superior Court Action #91-CA-13039; testimony in *Match v. Match*, August 13, 1992; *Northern Virginia Daily*, November 20, 1992.

Assault with a Deadly Weapon (ADW) [Suitland, Maryland]

On November 18, 1989, a pro-abortionist pulled a knife and held it to sidewalk counselor Debra Braun's face.

Reference: Pro-Life Action Ministries, "Violence and Disruption Log Form," December 10, 1994.

Assault with a Deadly Weapon (ADW), Assault, Battery (3 incidents) and Death Threat [Gaithersburg, Maryland]

Abortionist Alan Ross was convicted on August 19, 1985 in the Sixth District Court of Montgomery County, Maryland, on three counts of battery and was acquitted on one count of assault. Ross kicked and hit Dennis Burdick, and Burdick and fellow pro-lifer Vincent Fitzpatrick fled to a nearby gasoline station, where Ross found them and attacked Dennis again. Later, Ross punched Donna Boccadella in front of his abortion mill.

The abortionist also kicked and punched pro-lifer John DeLozier, then stabbed him with a hypodermic syringe and screamed "Get out of here; don't come back; I'm gonna kill you." He was convicted of assault and assault with a deadly weapon in January 1995.

References: Mary Meehan. "Abortionist Found Guilty of Assault." *National Catholic Register*, November 16, 1986; Beth Kaiman. "Judge Orders Bethesda Doctor to Stop Performing Abortions: Neighboring Firms Complained of Protests." *The Washington Post*, August 1, 1987.

Assault (6 incidents) and Vandalism (12 incidents)

At an April 4, 1992 pro-life vigil at the Hillcrest abortion mill, a gang of twelve pro-abortionists beat up pro-life leader Joe Scheidler. Then Queer Nation members broke down a fence and destroyed many of the 2,200 crosses erected to memorialize the 2,200 baby girls killed daily by abortion in the United States.

Reference: "League Counters NOW Rally, Joins Pro-Life Vigil." *Pro-Life Action News*, June 1992, page 1.

Assault (3 incidents)

During an October 27, 2001 picket of the Hillcrest abortion mill, clinic escorts repeatedly assaulted pro-life picketers. One overweight pro-abort named "Andy" slammed sidewalk counselor Dick Retta hard with a body block, and a pro-lifer with a camera wanted to photograph the incident, but half a dozen other escorts with "Keep Abortion Legal" signs swarmed in front of her, blocking her view, so that the violence could not be recorded. A male pro-abortionist repeatedly smashed into her, saying "Oh, I'm sorry, did I bump you? Oh, excuse me!" The week before, when a female pro-lifer tried to videotape similar violence, she was shoved around by several escorts.

Reference: "Pro-Abort Ratchet Up Violence at Hillcrest." *Defend Life* [newsletter of Defend Life, Maryland], November-December 2001, pages 1 and 8.

Assault (2 counts)

“Pro-choicer” Andrew Jerome Gaither’s girlfriend Belinda Davis was pregnant with his child, so, on August 16, 1997, he took her to the Hillcrest Women’s Center abortion mill to eliminate the “problem.” She refused to have the abortion, so, right outside the abortion mill, Gaither beat Belinda up.

On March 5, 1998, Gaither pleaded guilty in the District of Columbia Superior Court to two charges of simple assault. Belinda went on to have her little girl, whom she named “Marcee.”

Pro-lifers were incensed that the Department of Justice refused to charge Gaither with a violation of the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances (FACE) act. It seems that the Justice Department sees the FACE Act as a tool to use only against those who try to *stop* women from having abortions.

Reference: Jim Keary. “Man Admits Abortion-Clinic Beating.” *The Washington Times*, March 6, 1998.

Assault

In the Spring of 1978, abortionist Michael Anthony Jackson assaulted a female pro-lifer with a club.

References: Elizabeth Moore. "Abortionist Assaulted Prolifer, His Employees Testify." *National Right to Life News*, January 1980, page 6; "Neighborhood Businessman." *National Right to Life News*, September/October 1979, page 5; *Parkville Reporter* [Baltimore], September 1979.

Assault [Arlington, Virginia]

On November 11, 1994, a pro-abortionist grabbed Reverend Robert Schenck, slammed him against a car and attempted to punch him.

Reference: News Release, Christian Communication Network, November 11, 1994.

Death Threats (4 incidents)

In January 1995, pro-abortionists left several death threats on the answering machine of Operation Rescue in Washington, D.C. Under pressure from pro-lifers to investigate violence against them, instead of just against abortionists, the Federal Bureau of Investigation stated that it would investigate these death threats.

Reference: "Threats to Abortion Opponents Prompt FBI Probe." *Democrat & Chronicle* [Rochester, New York], February 19, 1995.

Assault and Death Threats (4 incidents)

On January 13, 1995, Jack Humphries and about a dozen other pro-lifers were picketing and sidewalk counseling outside the Hillcrest Women's Surgi-Center abortion mill. Suddenly, a man in a white car cursed at them. leaned out of the window of his car and pointed a handgun at them.

Pro-lifers were not at all surprised when the United States Justice Department refused to take action

on the death threat. Department of Justice spokesman John Russell got the award for the all-time lamest excuse when he said that the DOJ would not investigate, since the man did not express any sentiments on abortion.

We can all imagine what would happen if anyone pointed a gun at participants in a pro-abortion rally. Regardless of what sentiments the gunman expressed, the DOJ would have him in jail quicker than you can say "Colt .45."

A week after this incident, Jack Humphries and several other pro-lifers held a news conference on the steps of the Justice Department, playing a tape with several death threats they had received from pro-abortionists and protesting the DOJ's pro-abortion bias.

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Gross Malpractice

Julie Surland was 18 weeks pregnant when she went to Washington Hospital Center in 1996 to get an abortion. At the time she and her husband had an eight-month-old child and decided they could not afford another baby, but the abortionist botched the procedure so badly she nearly lost her life.

After an eight-day trial, a District of Columbia jury awarded Surland and her husband \$4 million after expert witnesses testified that life-threatening mistakes made during her abortion left her sterile. Expert witnesses said the abortionist "accidentally lacerated her cervix and uterus but stitched up only part of the wound" and discharged her after only an hour and a half. Within six hours, she was bleeding profusely and was rushed to Anne Arundel General Hospital, where doctors had to remove her uterus and ovaries in order to save her life.

The abortionist's defense attorney, Arnold Brault, claimed that, if the verdict was upheld, it would "jeopardize the continued operation of hospitals" in the area and "raise patient fees."

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Forced Abortions (4 incidents) and Harassment

Four Washington, DC rookies in the Washington, DC Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department aborted their children for fear of losing their jobs after they were threatened with job termination if they became pregnant or took medical leave.

In July, 2001, Samantha Robinson, interim assistant chief of operations for the Washington, DC fire department's Emergency Medical Service (EMS) told about eight female medical rookies that they could not become pregnant because they were on probation for a year and have no job benefits, according to the Kenneth Lyons, chairman of the American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE) Local 3721, five department sources and union attorney Louis Malone.

Lyons said that

The female medics were told if they get pregnant the first year, they will be fired. ... This is disgusting to me ... that this could happen in this day and age, in an agency that vows first and foremost to do no harm. ... This unwritten policy is one that has existed over the years. ... female firefighters now are saying they were under the impression, given their orientation, that this was the policy. We even have some females saying they withheld

from having children for the first five years of employment because they were told this.

One of the rookies, who was pregnant at the time, expressed concern to Robinson when supervisors were giving out ambulance assignments, the sources said. Robinson then told her she should get an abortion if she wanted to keep her job, Lyons and the sources said. So the pregnant rookie got an abortion.

Just after assignments were made to in-field units,

One of the females approached the interim chief of EMS operations, Samantha Robinson, and informed her that she was, indeed, pregnant and she wanted to start a family. According to the young lady, [Robinson told her] that she had a choice to make and that choice will depend on whether or not you maintain your employment with this agency. She then went out and had an abortion.

Robinson "basically strong-armed her into getting an abortion," said a fire department source who spoke to the rookie about the problem. "Those comments are blatantly illegal," and violate the Pregnancy Discrimination Act, said Malone, who represents AFGE Local 3721, whose members includes medics and emergency medical technicians in the department.

After having the abortion, the young lady requested time off to recuperate and was denied leave and forced back on duty, said Lyons. "She was forced to return to the street and started to hemorrhage," he said.

The threat of job termination and Robinson's suggestion so frightened the woman that she felt compelled to have an abortion even though she is a Roman Catholic, said sources, including one who has spoken to her about the problem. The woman got the abortion "directly as a result" of Robinson "telling her she couldn't keep her job and be pregnant," said a fire department source who has spoken to the woman about the situation.

The woman, 21, is trying to avoid publicity because she is still distraught, and the abortion has caused a rift with her family, several department sources said. "She is young, religious, scared and ashamed," said one source. "She feels she has morally abused herself."

Other department sources, including a medic who recently worked with her, echoed that characterization. "This poor girl. She's a young girl, naïve and would do anything to save her job," said one medic who has worked with the woman. "She was given the impression that that's what she had to do for her job, so she went out and did it."

The woman has suffered medical problems since the abortion, according to Lyons, medics who have worked with her and other department sources. Several department sources who have worked with the woman have described her as "distraught."

Officials with the medic's union have been collecting statements from the rookies who said they were threatened. Many have been hesitant to provide the written accounts because they fear retaliation, Lyons said. Lyons told *The Washington Times* that he raised the matter with Chief Few, and the chief later told him that Robinson denied making the statement. Malone confirmed that Lyons had brought the matter to Chief Few in the past several weeks, and that the chief issued a denial.

One source said the woman has been subject to harassment by supervisors as word of the incident has spread within the department.

Malone said at least 10 women in the department have called him in the past few weeks to recount other incidents where officials discriminated against them because of pregnancy. "When they heard about this, it has really triggered their consciousness," he said.

Paul Strauss, shadow senator for the District, is Robinson's lawyer. As always, pro-aborts try to shift blame from themselves. Strauss said Robinson was being "unfairly attacked," and that the

accusations against her may have been politically motivated. "What she is accused of doing is counter to everything she believes in professionally and personally," he said, also claiming that Robinson is pro-life!

And if you believe *that*, we have a lovely little bridge that we would like to sell you -- cheap!

A final report on the incidents by the Office of the District of Columbia Inspector General substantiated the women's claims and recommended "appropriate disciplinary action" be taken against Robinson. The Inspector General's investigators interviewed the nine members of the class and "based on a preponderance of the evidence" concluded that Robinson "improperly advised EMT trainees that female EMTs could be terminated if they became pregnant during the first year of employment. ... Robinson's statements in this regard violated official District government policy prohibiting the termination of government women based solely on their pregnancy."

Five of the nine members of the class specifically remembered Robinson telling trainees they could lose their jobs if they became pregnant. The other four class members remembered Robinson advising the new hires not to become pregnant during their probationary year because they could be fired for any reason.

Robinson denied advising the trainees they could be terminated for becoming pregnant, but the report says Robinson exhibited a "lack of candor" during her interview with investigators. It said her statements were

not credible in the face of consistent and contrary recollections of so many witnesses. Based on a preponderance of the evidence developed during the investigation, it is reasonable to conclude that Robinson improperly advised EMT trainees that female EMTs could be terminated if they became pregnant during the first year of employment.

Fire department sources say Robinson was offered a choice between retirement and a demotion to a nonsupervisory field-medical position. She chose retirement. But Strauss said Robinson stands by her version of events and that she was not forced into retirement. Strauss did not rule out the possibility of filing a lawsuit on Robinson's behalf, saying he will "advise her of her options."

Some punishment! You can bet the bank that, if Robinson had *really* been pro-life and tried to prevent an abortion-minded EMT from aborting her baby, she would have been thrown out of her job and probably jailed.

As a predictable aside, not a single pro-abortion organization condemned these forced abortions and attempted forced abortions.

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Malpractice (3 incidents), Negligence (3 incidents) and Inadequate Record Keeping

Annandale abortionist Reffat Kamel Abofreka has had a long history of malpractice and neglect of

his patients. When he got in hot water with the medical board of one state, he would just move to another.

Abofreka's medical license was suspended by the State of South Carolina after he decided to leave the country without telling anyone, including his patients, his staff, or hospitals where he had privileges. The Virginia Board of Medicine also reprimanded him in 1998 in connection with disciplinary cases in South Carolina and Pennsylvania.

On April 5, 2006, the Virginia Board of Medicine suspended his medical license, saying that he failed to provide proper care to obstetric and abortion patients. The Board specifically alleged that he failed to properly determine the age of preborn children before doing abortions. In one case, he thought one 24-week preborn baby was only twelve weeks old. In two cases, he told patients in need of more advanced medical care to go to hospitals, but did not arrange for their safe transfer. In another case, the Board said that he didn't provide prenatal or obstetrical care to a pregnant patient over a five-month period.

The Virginia board also cited other problems at Abofreka's abortion mill, including faulty record keeping and a lack of written protocols on handling emergency medical situations.

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Vandalism (12 incidents)

During the April 5, 1992 "March for Death" in Washington, D.C., pro-abortionists threw trash and other objects onto the White House lawn and vandalized and damaged numerous police cars.

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Gross Negligence (3 incidents), Malpractice (4 incidents), Impersonating a Doctor, Illegal Distribution of Drugs (3 incidents), Practicing Medicine Without a License (6 incidents), and Medicaid Fraud (15 counts)

Barbara Lofton, owner of the Metropolitan Care Center abortion mill, was indicted by a federal grand jury on nine counts of defrauding the District of Columbia Medicaid program of more than \$6,000 in claims for laboratory tests that were never performed. Earlier, the clinic closed after it was dropped from the city's Medicaid program because its personnel turned in false bills, allowed medicines to be dispensed by unqualified persons, and misrepresented their professional credentials. Lofton was also investigated for incidents at her Suitland, Maryland abortion mill, where one woman died and another was almost completely paralyzed. These cases were the subject of a CBS News investigation which aired April 21, 1991 on the television program "60 Minutes."

Lofton's Suitland abortuary was named the Hillview Women's Surgical Center.

After a 1989 abortion at Hillview, Susanne Logan went into a coma and was permanently paralyzed. She died in a nursing home in December 1993, one month after being awarded a settlement of \$2.6 million and almost \$10,000 a month for life.

The abortion mill kept no records of drug dosages or personnel administering intravenous Brevital. Gideon Kioko, performing an abortion at 13 weeks gestation, continued with the procedure after an unlicensed nurse attending Logan noted that her lips had turned blue.

Emergency medical personnel called to the scene reported that Hillview employees were "very confused and did not seem to know what they were doing," and "in attempting to put an oxygen mask and bag on the patient ... they were putting the mask on upside down, and the patient was not receiving any external oxygen."

Suzanne was cyanotic with dilated pupils, pulseless, limp, and not breathing. The rescue squad re-established her breathing and blood pressure. Suzanne awakened after a four-month coma as a quadriplegic, unable to speak, and with no memory of the abortion. The State Medical board stated that abortionist Kioko failed to determine if Suzanne was suited for general anesthesia.

Kioko also aborted Debra M. Gray on July 15, 1989 at the Hillview abortion mill. Debra experienced cardiac arrest. Once again, the abortuary kept no record of any drugs administered or their dosages. The State Medical board stated that Kioko failed to establish if she was suited for general anesthesia.

You *know* an abortion mill is bad if it attracts the attention of even the mainstream media.

The April 21, 1991 edition of "60 Minutes" focused on Hillview. It told the story of Herb Fulcher, who went to pick up his girlfriend Linda Brown at Hillview after an abortion. He said "I went back and they had a sheet wrapped around her bottom, like a baby diaper. And she was just covered in blood everywhere. She was just laying in her own blood."

Linda nearly bled to death, and required a hysterectomy.

Hillview was found to lack personnel trained in general anesthesia and monitoring equipment, despite offering general anesthesia as an option for \$150.

Hillview's owner, Barbara Lofton, performed abortions and wrote prescriptions although she is not a physician. Lofton liked to wear a doctor's gown and a stethoscope. A former Hillview staff member told "60 Minutes" that she introduced herself as "Dr. Lofton" and that she answered the phone as "Dr. Lofton," so he assumed she was a doctor. She claimed doctoral degrees in psychology from two universities, but neither institution had records of her. The "60 Minutes" report on Hillview related the allegations of "Elizabeth Roe," who went to Hillview, and was told that Lofton was doing her abortion. Lofton botched the abortion, and Doe filed suit.

Hillview advertisements in the *Yellow Pages* offer "Pregnancy Results on the Spot," and feature a coupon for 25% off an initial visit. The ad proclaims "We Care About You!" Hillview advertises abortions to 24 weeks, but performed saline abortions into the 30th week.

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Threats of Violence

Every January, when pro-lifers hold their annual March for Life in Washington, D.C., there are foul-mouthed pro-abortion counter-protesters there to greet them and curse at them. As expected, hypocritical pro-aborts want to have *their* marches completely free of any opposition, even if it is peaceful and prayerful.



Typical threatening posters and signs held by “pro-choicers” at the 2009 National March for Life in Washington, D.C. Of course, the hypocritical “pro-choicers” condemned pro-lifers who counterpicketed their 2004 “March for Women’s Lives.”

The pro-abortionists demonstrated this hypocrisy before the "March for Women's Lives" (better known to pro-lifers as the "March for Death") in Washington, D.C. in April 2004, the first of its kind since 1992. The National Organization for Women (NOW) described it as "the most significant and massive abortion rights march in over a decade."

When pro-lifers announced their counterdemonstration, pro-aborts encouraged destructive and confrontational tactics. A group calling itself the "Radical Cheerleaders of DC" said that "because they are irrational and will not listen to you," one way to handle them would be to destroy their property, because "a thick layer of paint could really complement a bloody fetus picture."

The "Radical Cheerleaders" called upon "feminists, radical cheerleaders, anti-authoritarians, [and] anarchists" to "rise up against a tyrannical government which threatens to penetrate women's bodies with its laws." The group also said it planned on "showing the government, as well as the pro-choice movement, that the radical community is as committed to the issue of women's choice as it is to anything else." In January 2004, the group held a "guerilla workshop" to practice organized resistance for the march as well as other events.

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