

# Teachers Saving Children® Inc.

### **Pro-Life Voices in Education**

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Thoughts from the Executive Director
Frank Ebiner

"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of

Mine, you did for Me."
-- Matthew 25:40

"The Constitution does not confer a right to abortion; Roe and Casey are overruled; and the authority to regulate abortion is returned to the people and their elected representatives."

--Supreme Court Decision (6-3) overturning *Roe v. Wade* and *Planned Parenthood v. Casev.* – June 24, 2022

We have prayed. We have given our time and energy and love for those vulnerable human lives in the womb and their parents for whom protection was simply a "choice" for the past 49 years in the United States.

In 2018, Mississippi passed a law making most abortions illegal after 15 weeks. Shortly thereafter, the Jackson (Mississippi) Women's Health Center filed a lawsuit against Thomas Dobbs, State Health Officer of the Mississippi Department of Health (Dobbs is responsible for enforcing Mississippi Department of Health laws.)



Pro-life supporters outside U.S. Supreme Court
December, 2021—Dobbs case

The *Dobbs* case, as it became known, worked its way to the U.S. Supreme Court, where oral arguments were heard in December, 2021. Six months later, on June 24, 2022, the 213-page decision with dissenting opinions from Justices Breyer, Kagan and Sotomayor was released by the Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court majority decision upholds the 2018 law that was passed in Mississippi, outlawing most abortions after 15 weeks gestation, overturns *Roe v. Wade, Doe v. Bolton and Planned Parenthood v. Casey* and returns the right to regulate and restrict abortions back to the states.

Up to 26 states are poised to enact prolife laws, restricting or banning abortions. Some of the states have pre-1973 laws which were never removed. Other states have "trigger" laws which become effective with the *Dobbs* decision, while still other states will be amending their state constitutions to prohibit abortions in their states.

Meanwhile, continue to pray. Support your local pregnancy resource center. Be kind, courageous and a witness to truth.



This summer issue has a summary of the major Supreme Court decisions affected by *Dobbs* and an article on a wonderful event *Teachers Saving Children* attended, thanks to your prayers and financial support.

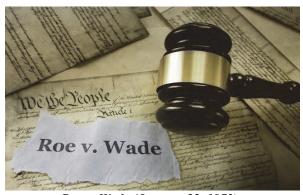
On page 4, read about our recommended DVD movie, website and upcoming outreach events *Teachers Saving Children*® Inc. members will be attending in the next few months.

### U.S. Supreme Court Overturns Roe v. Wade

On June 24<sup>th</sup>, in a case known as *Dobbs* versus Jackson Women's Health Organization, the United States Supreme Court upheld the Mississippi law that banned abortions after 15 weeks gestation. The Supreme Court's 6-3 decision overturned previous court rulings Roe v. Wade; Doe v. Bolton; and Planned Parenthood v. Casey.

According to Alliance Defending Freedom, a pro-life legal team of attorneys stated that the Supreme Court decision, "not only upholds Mississippi's law protecting unborn babies beginning at 15 weeks but also allows states to once again fully protect unborn children at all stages of their development, empower and protect mothers, and promote a culture of life."

Below is a summary of the 3 major Supreme Court decisions *Roe v. Wade, Doe v. Bolton, Casey* which are affected by the *Dobbs* decision.



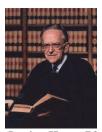
Roe v. Wade (January 22, 1973)

When? January 22, 1973

**Who?** Jane Roe was a pseudonym given to Norma McCorvey who was used by abortion rights attorney Sarah Weddington to sue Henry Wade, District Attorney of Dallas County, Texas. McCorvey gave birth to her child, a daughter and place her for adoption. McCorvey, stated later in her life that being part of *Roe v Wade* was "the biggest mistake in my life" and became active in the pro-life movement.

What? The 7-2 decision struck down all state laws banning abortions. Roe v Wade divided pregnancy into three twelve-week trimesters and ruled that in the first two trimesters states could not outlaw abortion, but they could regulate the procedure in the second trimester to ensure the safety of the mother. Any state bans of abortion

in the third trimester had to allow an exception for abortions deemed necessary to protect a woman's health. (See how *Doe v. Bolton* defined "health".)





Justice Harry Blackmun

un Supreme Court 1973

### Doe v Bolton

When? January 22, 1973

**Who?** Mary Doe was a fictitious name given to Sandra Bensing who sued Arthur Bolton who, as Georgia's Attorney General, was responsible for enforcing Georgia's law restricting abortions on healthy preborn children.

**What?** Justice Harry Blackmun wrote the majority 7-2 opinion in *Doe v Bolton* (and *Roe v Wade*) declaring that state bans of abortions had to allow an exception deemed necessary to protect a woman's health, and "health" included any factor that was "physical, emotional, psychological, familial, [or related to] the woman's age." This allowed abortion on demand through all 9 months of pregnancy.



Planned Parenthood v Casey

When? June 29, 1992

**Who?** Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pennsylvania sued Pennsylvania Governor Robert Casey over abortion laws enacted in 1988 and 1989.

What? Justices O'Connor, Kennedy and Souter wrote the plurality opinion in a 5-4 split decision that states may not prohibit abortions before fetal viability, the point when a baby is able to survive outside the womb. (Youngest baby to survive is Curtis Means, born at 21 weeks on April 2021.) Restrictions and bans could be enacted after viability.

# Teachers Saving Children at the Christian Homeschool Association of Pennsylvania Convention

On June 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, the Christian Homeschool Association of Pennsylvania (CHAP) hosted their annual convention in York, Pennsylania. It was the first CHAP convention since 2019 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Teachers Saving Children had a beautiful exhibit booth and were well-represented by Board of Trustees members Catherine Jacobs and John Gordon. John and Catherine volunteered their time and talents in support of homeschooling parents, teachers and children with life-affirming materials and encouragement for speaking and witnessing the truth in support of all human lives.

Catherine is a talented artist, and she shared her talent with dazzling illustrations of preborn children she sketched live during the convention as attendees visited our exhibit.

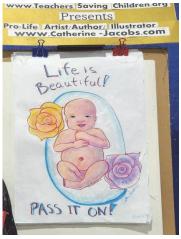
Below are some photos and reflections from Catherine and John.



John and Catherine representing Teachers Saving Children

John observed how Catherine's love for life and her artistic talent was a blessing for him, and in particular how her art attracted numerous women and children who were candid in their appreciation for human life and their sense of loss for those who have experienced abortion or miscarriage.





Catherine puts finishing touches on "Life is Beautiful"

Catherine was busy drawing *and* interacting with numerous attendees, and very appreciative "of the positive remarks and encouragement. It was a pleasure to so many people at the CHAP Convention."



Catherine and mother in conversation while child admires life-affirming materials

Our exhibit draws people who want to share their experiences in a supportive environment. Some of the most memorable conversations Catherine included "a mom who had an abortion, and is now a counselor at a pregnancy resource center and a life coach!"

"Another mom who had considered suicide now wants to go into schools and start a program to help kids choose life. A mother who had chosen life for her baby with Downs Syndrome has been a blessing for her family. The mother's child exudes joy and love for life."

"So many moms repeating the phrase, 'These models need to be in every school and museum, seen in churches and homeschool groups so this information is available to everyone." "Drawing life size babies on the easel attracted so many people. I was able to share my testimony on my own high-risk life-theatening miracle pregnancy. I was able to pray with many attendees and for born and pre-born children who were attending the convention." What a blessing, indeed!



Life is Beautiful!



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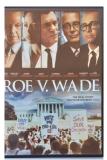
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### **RECOMMENDED DVD/Movie**

The movie, "Roe v. Wade" recounts the most famous and controversial U.S. Supreme Court case in the past 50 years. Dr. Bernard Nathanson and Dr. Mildred Jefferson square off in a national battle of abortion vs. human life.



"Roe V. Wade" (PG-13)

#### **UPCOMING OUTREACH EVENTS**

- Great Homeschool Convention June 16-18, 2022 (Ontario, California) Teachers Saving Children had an exhibit table. Frank Ebiner attended. (Due to limited space in this newsletter, an article will be in our Fall newsletter)
- *NEA-RA (Chicago, Illinois)* July 3-6, 2022 (10 am -5 pm) Frank Ebiner will attend.





RECOMMENDED WEBSITE (for life-affirming products): www.catherine-jacobs.com

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