

Alveda King: Late-Term Abortionist Gosnell Just the Tip of the Iceberg

Breaking report: Gosnell still charged with 4 counts of baby murder and 1 adult count, plus violation of 24-hour notice. Gosnell was acquitted of three baby murders and all five charges of abuse of corpse.

Many seem to agree that the atrocities at the West Philadelphia Women's Medical Society perpetrated by **late-term abortionist** Kermit Gosnell should never have occurred and that Gosnell deserves to be punished.

At least, that's what's unfolding now that the trial has been brought to the forefront of the nation by the efforts of life-affirming bloggers and social media advocates.

In the opening update above, we see that the judge agreed with some of the charges that could still cause Gosnell to be punished for some of the terrible things he has done—but just *some*.

It's a tragedy that unjust legal loopholes like "unclear evidence of issues," such as gestational age and size, made partial acquittal possible. Our laws are too corrupt and weak to fully protect the human rights and dignity of our babies and their vulnerable mothers.

Prior to a TweetFest on April 12 and again on April 17 organized by Bryan Kemper, pastoral associate of Priests for Life, and Andy Moore, director of AbortionWiki, there seemed to be a media blackout of the trial. Additionally, almost no one from the pro-abortion movement was saying anything.

Finally, liberals had the guts to admit they were squashing

the story.

Now that the media has moved to cover the trial, many are all too eager to comment and condemn the actions of abortionist **Kermit Gosnell**. Unfortunately, still grappling with the injustice of it all, some don't stop there.

Trapped in what is currently being defined as the growing "mushy middle," these individuals then spin their lies by blaming pro-life activists for the creation of such a monster as Gosnell by all the pro-life legislation promoted to better regulate the abortion industry and enforce regulations that already exist.

Don't be deceived by spin when they say Gosnell is the exception. He's not. Gosnell is not the exception to the bogus rule that abortion is safe and rare. Two thousand women, including me, have filed an amicus brief with the U.S. Supreme Court about how abortion hurt us.

They say Gosnell is a throwback to pre-**Roe v. Wade** days and back-alley abortions. He's not. This is happening now, post-*Roe v. Wade*. In Saturday's *Washington Post*, some still say abortion ranks high among safe medical procedures. They are accusing Gosnell of being a back-alley abortionist and an exception to the rule.

Wrong! As Father Frank Pavone says, Gosnell is the rule! These types of atrocities are happening all over America right now in under- and unregulated **abortion mills**.

Gosnell is not the only one committing these atrocities. Hundreds of women have died from legal abortions. A list of nearly 400 deaths is currently on file and can be viewed at . A new documentary, *Voice of John*; the Florida case of the live baby thrown on the roof; and a new website, –these are but a few examples of unsafe and definitely not rare abortions.

David Grimes, former head of the CDC's abortion surveillance

branch said recently that the problems with abortion are so small, the surveillance branch no longer exists. He said over 1,000 women a year died from abortion in the 1940s and that now it's less than a handful a year.

On the contrary, we know there's a really big handful of hurts from abortion yearly. has the testimonies of hundreds upon hundreds of women who have been harmed by abortion.

Rachel's Vineyard ministry for healing after abortion now offers over 950 healing retreats annually in 48 states and 57 countries to help women and men who have been harmed by abortion. Their retreat manual has been translated into 22 languages.

So don't believe lies and half-truths. Abortion is evil. Abortion hurts women and kills human persons—babies and mothers. Abortion must be abolished. Gosnell is just the tip of the iceberg, quickly melting in the fires of truth.

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