

Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization

Updates from the Office of MS Attorney General Lynn Fitch

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KEY ARGUMENT:

Society's debate on important policy matters, including how we affirm the dignity of women and their children, has been stunted.

In 1973, the state of women in the workplace and the stigma surrounding single parenting were very different than today. Maternity leave and paternity leave are now commonplace, as are workplace flexibility policies such as telework, hybrid schedules and more. Equal opportunity laws, largely passed in a post-Roe world, prohibit pregnancy employment discrimination.

The gig economy has opened up options for freelance, part-time work and independent contracting. A little more than a third of American workers engage in the gig economy today, and if trends continue, that could rise to more than half by 2027. Women don't need to choose between a child and a career. As a single, working mother who raised three children and became Mississippi's first female attorney general, I can attest to that.

-Attorney General Lynn Fitch



WHAT WE'RE READING

National Review: Fighting for Life

Opinion by Ramesh Ponnuru

"Roe and Doe swept away the laws of all of the states, even the most liberal. Their import was that anytime an abortionist concludes that an abortion would serve a woman's well-being, very broadly construed, he has a constitutional defense for going through with it, no matter how late in pregnancy. None of this has any plausible grounding in the Constitution."

Washington Examiner: Don't Underestimate Women

Opinion by Serrin Foster

"At Feminists for Life, founded a year before *Roe v. Wade* was handed down, we never considered having children an 'undue burden.'...Abortion masks, rather than solves, the problems women face. And if anything is an undue burden, it is the pressure put on women to accommodate those around them with a pregnancy that others consider inconvenient."

“As a result of the Supreme Court's nearly **50-year judicial-legislative stalemate on abortion**, society’s debate on important policy matters, including how we affirm the **dignity of women and their children**, has been stunted.”

Lynn Fitch

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ATTORNEY GENERAL LYNN FITCH IN THE NEWS

Washington Post: [Antiabortion activists at Supreme Court cite an unlikely authority for overturning Roe v. Wade: Ruth Bader Ginsburg](#)

Attorney General Lynn Fitch (R) cites Ginsburg in the introduction of her brief. “Far from bringing peace to the controversy over abortion, Roe and Casey have made matters worse,” Fitch wrote, citing as an authority a law review article Ginsburg wrote in 1985.

Vicksburg News- [Attorney General Lynn Fitch announces sentencing in \\$4 million Medicaid fraud case](#)

Attorney General Lynn Fitch: "When healthcare providers defraud Medicaid, they not only cheat the taxpayers who support this program; they also violate the trust of the people who depend on it."

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