

Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization

Updates from the Office of MS Attorney General Lynn Fitch

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What the Justices Actually Said in the *Dobbs* Decision

Much has been said, written and speculated about what the *Dobbs* opinion means for both the future of abortion regulation, as well as the implications for other areas of the law. Rather than offer more speculation, let's take a look at what the Justices actually said in their own words.

Click [here](#) to read excerpts from the *Dobbs* decision broken down into the following categories:

- The *Dobbs* decision applies solely to abortion.
- Faithful adherence to *stare decisis* requires overruling, not sustaining *Roe* and *Casey*.
- Unelected justices will no longer dictate abortion policymaking. The people will decide how to regulate abortion through their elected leaders.
- This decision is based on Constitutional principles, not personal views or public polling.



WHAT WE'RE READING

Washington Post: The pro-life movement can't stop at the unborn

By O. Carter Snead and Mary Ann Glendon

"Abortion is a gruesome symptom of our collective failure to take care of one another. This means that, alongside our efforts to protect the unborn, we must act decisively to address the wide range of issues — from poverty to lack of support from fathers — that lead women to choose abortion in the first place. This will require action in both the public and private spheres."

Newsweek: The End of Roe is the Beginning of the Fight for a Whole-Life Culture

By Kristen Day and Sophie Trist

"There are now some 3,000 pro-life pregnancy centers across the U.S., ready to provide counseling, emotional support, and financial assistance to those with unplanned pregnancies. More companies and state and local governments are providing paid family leave, more schools are coming up with innovative solutions to help pregnant and new moms continue their education, and more emphasis is being placed on protections for

pregnant people in the workplace. Groups like Let them Live and Human Coalition provide practical, tangible support to thousands of abortion-minded women, helping them to choose life and pursue their own dreams."



Thank you, SCOTUS, for giving us a post-Roe America where we have the opportunity to #empowerwomenpromotelife. I know the people are up to the task. I'm excited for what the future holds as we build a culture around the dignity of women & their children. Click the above thumbnail to watch our new video. -Attorney General Lynn Fitch



ATTORNEY GENERAL LYNN FITCH IN THE NEWS

Fox News: [Mississippi Attorney General: Roe v. Wade is a victory for women](#)

"Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Fitch reacts to the Supreme Court overturning abortion case *Roe v. Wade* on 'The Story with Martha MacCallum.'

WAPT: [MS AG certifies state's trigger law in response to abortion ruling](#)

By Ross Adams

"Mississippi's laws to promote life are solid and thanks to the Court's clear and strong opinion in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, they can now go into effect,' **[Attorney General Lynn] Fitch** said in a Monday statement. 'As we have said throughout this case, *Roe v. Wade* presented a false choice between a woman's future and her child's life. As we proceed in this post-Roe world, the people of Mississippi and of all the states will be able to fully engage in the work of both empowering women and promoting life. I am grateful that the Court has given us this opportunity.'"

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