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10 Years of Tyranny is Enough: The Legal Fiction of *Obergefell* Must End

By Mat Staver

On June 26, 2015, “five lawyers” on the Supreme Court divorced “marriage” from natural law and fabricated a constitutional “right” through an opinion that invented same-sex “marriage” nationwide.

A decade later, society bears the consequences of this opinion that is ripe to be overturned.

Much like *Roe v. Wade*, which was struck down after nearly 50 years, the 10-year-old *Obergefell v. Hodges* opinion is on shaky legal footing for the same reason: There is no basis for same-sex “marriage” in the U.S. Constitution. In July, we petitioned the U.S. Supreme Court to hear a case that could send the *Obergefell* ruling to the ash heap of history where it belongs.

Every Household at Risk

Not only is this so-called “right” a legal fiction, but by nature, it is incompatible with the family and dooms

children by permanently depriving them of the right to both their mother and father.

Chief Justice John Roberts wrote in his dissent:

Marriage did not come about as a result of a political movement, discovery, disease, war, religious doctrine, or any other moving force of world history—and certainly not as a result of a prehistoric decision to exclude gays and lesbians. It arose in the nature of things to meet a vital need: ensuring that children are conceived by a mother and father committed to raising them in the stable conditions of a lifelong relationship.

Simply put, the union of a man and a woman in marriage — as it has existed for millennia — is for family formation and the raising of children.

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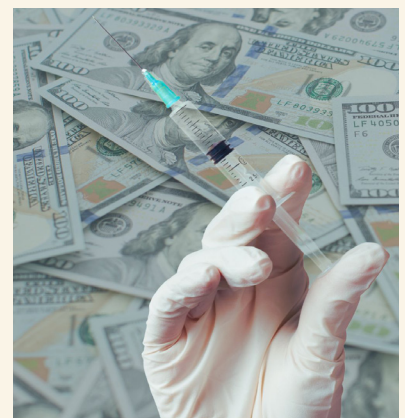
People Over Profits: End Big Pharma's Vaccine Immunity

By Mat Staver

The eyes of many Americans were opened to Big Pharma's abuses during the COVID-19 pandemic. During this time, the development and manufacture of the so-called COVID “vaccine” was expedited under Operation Warp Speed and hit the market in [December 2020](#), less than a year after the first official coronavirus case in the U.S.

In the months and years that followed, some [270 million](#) Americans, or 81% of the population, received at least one dose of the COVID shot. Though some willingly complied, many were pressured or forced to receive the experimental injection that has since been proven largely ineffective, harmful, and even fatal in some cases.

A staggering 1.6 million+ COVID vaccine [adverse](#) events, including 221,030 hospitalizations and 38,709 deaths, have been reported as of June 2025, according to data compiled from the Centers for Disease Control



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Thus, same-sex “marriage” puts the family, which is the bedrock of society, at risk.

The *Obergefell* opinion is a social experiment that has gone horribly wrong. One need look no further than the onslaught of “pride” month with obscene displays in the presence of children, the predation toward children by “Drag Queens” and coerced indoctrination in public schools, males invading female sports and private spaces, and the never-ending LGBTQIA+ alphabet of perversions to see how this movement was never just about same-sex “marriage.”

Katy Faust, founder and president of Them Before Us, a global children’s rights nonprofit, [writes](#) that “children have paid the highest price” as a result of the same-sex “marriage” ruling that eroded a child’s right to his or her mother and father. She shares how children are most victimized by same-sex “marriage,” which leads to a loss of either maternal or paternal love and [decreased](#) emotional well-being compared to children with opposite-sex parents.

Of course, same-sex “marriage” also opens a Pandora’s box of other evils such as elevated [rates](#) of abuse and neglect with an unrelated adult in the home and obtaining a baby through unethical practices such as [surrogacy](#), which allows even HIV-positive LGBTQ+ men to procure a child.

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The intentionally motherless or fatherless children in same-sex “marriage” homes are being forced to grow up without the love and protection of one of their parents — a mom or a dad — both of whom offer the complementary and necessary roles

essential for a child’s development. Same-sex “marriage” not only permanently excludes a mother or a father from the child’s life, but by its very nature, same-sex unions distort the view of the missing gender.



Same-sex unions are a double whammy for children by eliminating one gender and thereby imposing a negative view of the absent gender on the child.

When it comes to raising children, gender matters. It should come as no surprise that within a marriage between one man and one woman, as God designed it, is the environment in which children and families naturally thrive. Veering from natural law and replacing it with perversion will inevitably result in chaos, disorder, and harm.

Ten years since the White House was first [illuminated](#) in rainbow “pride” colors to celebrate *Obergefell*, it is clear that this legal opinion forced on society — and wreaking havoc on our children — should certainly not be a part of our law and policy, masquerading as a constitutional right.

Ripe for Overturn

At this point, it’s not a matter of if, but when, *Obergefell* will be overturned to become consistent with the Constitution. In the words of Chief Justice Roberts in his [dissent](#), “the majority’s decision is an act of will, not legal judgment” and “the right it announces has no basis in the Constitution or this Court’s precedent.”

Rowan County, Kentucky, Clerk Kim Davis was the [first victim](#) of the *Obergefell* “opinion” and went to prison for six days after she refused to give “marriage” licenses to same-

sex couples while she waited to receive a religious accommodation from the state. Liberty Counsel has represented Kim Davis since 2015 when she was victimized for acting in accordance with her religious convictions, and she now personally faces hundreds of thousands of dollars in fees because of acting in line with her Christian faith.

Liberty Counsel petitioned the U.S. Supreme Court to hear Kim Davis’ [case](#) this term, underscoring why *Obergefell v. Hodges* threatens the religious liberty of Americans who believe marriage is a sacred union between one man and one woman and why it should be overturned.

As Chief Justice Roberts noted in his dissent, the “freedom to exercise religion is — unlike the right imagined by the majority — actually spelled out in the Constitution.”

By taking this case, the Supreme Court can do two things: Affirm religious freedom for all people and also correct the *Obergefell* mistake by overruling the 2015 opinion.

The current Supreme Court overturned *Roe* (with nearly 50 years of legal precedent) and now has an opportunity to correct the damage *Obergefell* did to the Constitution by overruling this disastrous legal opinion.

Obergefell does damage to the Constitution and to society, of which the family is the foundation. For the benefit of families and culture, as well as for the integrity of the Constitution, the sooner this opinion is overturned, the better.

To paraphrase Chief Justice Roberts, “Just who do we think we are?” to “[order] the transformation of a social institution that has formed the basis of human society for millennia?”

To answer Chief Justice Roberts, it is not our place to “rewrite” God’s definition of marriage. In fact, we should uphold it — just as humankind has from the beginning. **LC**

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and Prevention (CDC) Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS). A Harvard Pilgrim [study](#) completed in 2010 concluded that fewer than 1% of all vaccine adverse events are reported. Many health care providers fail to (or are unwilling to) report side effects as vaccine adverse events.

Despite this, pharmaceutical companies face no accountability for their vaccines — even when these vaccines cause injury or death.

Pharmaceutical companies faced major civil lawsuits in the 1980s over vaccine injuries, and instead of making “safer” vaccines or removing questionable ones from the market, they lobbied Congress to give them blanket immunity. Thus, the [National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986](#) was signed into law by President Ronald Reagan. And in 2005, the [Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness \(PREP\) Act](#) further solidified Big Pharma’s immunity protection for vaccines.

Why would the federal government give total immunity to an industry profiting off of a product referred to as “[unavoidably unsafe](#)”? Or maybe the better question to ask is: Which industry donates unprecedented sums of money to Congress and has blanket immunity for a certain product mandated by the government? Big Pharma.

Families who lost loved ones to a vaccine will never be the same again, yet Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson & Johnson will answer to no one because of the legal immunity they have enjoyed since 1986. Vaccines are gold mines for Big Pharma because they reap hundreds of billions of dollars and face zero

financial liability when their vaccines cause injury or death.

According to [Children’s Health Defense](#), the childhood vaccine schedule went from 25 doses of six vaccines (up to age 15) in 1986 to 73 doses of 17 vaccines (up to age 18) in 2023. In 1986, 12.8% of children in the U.S. [reportedly](#) had a chronic health condition, such as obesity, compared to around [54% of children](#) in 2007.

The combination of enormous financial incentives for Big Pharma along with absolute immunity is clearly contrary to the public health and well-being of children and families.

Add to this the fact that doctors administering vaccines are incentivized by insurance companies to have a high percentage of their patients vaccinated, and the risk increases. Ever wonder why some pediatricians refuse to accept children who don’t get vaccinated as their patients? The answer is the pressure from insurance companies.

During COVID, the push to “vaccinate” was even worse because health care providers were paid a [higher reimbursement](#) for the COVID shots. This is clearly a conflict of interest.

And when Big Pharma rolls out another vaccine, their lobbyists pressure federal and state legislators to add this new jab to the required list for children. The money begins to roll in, and Big Pharma has no liability for injuries and deaths.

An industry that has a lack of accountability combined with profit incentives is a recipe for abuse and exploitation. The American people

deserve transparency and the ability to hold vaccine manufacturers accountable.

No matter how you feel about vaccines in general or any specific vaccine, we should all agree that any company that creates a product that causes injury or death should be held accountable.

“It’s time to finally end Big Pharma’s vaccine immunity and prioritize the health and well-being of people over profit.”

This shouldn’t be partisan, political, or polarizing. Two bills in Congress, the “End the Vaccine Carveout Act” ([H.R. 4668](#)), introduced by Rep. Paul Gosar (R-AZ), and the “PREP Repeal Act” ([H.R. 4388](#)), introduced by Rep. Thomas Massie (R-KY), would end the long-standing legal immunity protected by pharmaceutical companies for any injuries caused by their vaccines or any of their medical “countermeasures” used during declared emergencies.

It’s time to finally end Big Pharma’s vaccine immunity and prioritize the health and well-being of people over profit. **LC**

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Liberty Counsel Leads the Way in Religious Exemptions for Vaccines

In 2021, Liberty Counsel pioneered the fight against unconstitutional COVID-19 vaccine mandates, confronting government overreach at local, state, and federal levels.

Four years later, Liberty Counsel continues to lead the way in upholding the religious liberty to decline vaccine mandates and is fighting to ensure Americans are granted exemptions for vaccines that violate their deeply held religious beliefs — even in the military. Liberty Counsel is currently defending a 12-year Marine Corps officer facing punitive measures for holding to his convictions after the Department of Defense (DOD) denied his religious accommodation requests to annual vaccine mandates.

Whether a student in the classroom, a soldier in the military, or an employee in the workplace, all Americans have the fundamental right to refuse a vaccine or injection for religious reasons. To find out more about legal help and resources available to assist with religious vaccine exemptions, visit [lc.org/exempt](#).



Abortion Pills and America's Waterways: The Overlooked Environmental Crisis

By John Stemberger

Crystal-clean water has been a priority of President Donald J. Trump since Day One of his first administration. In five separate major speeches, and as recently as April 2025, he personally vowed to “maintain the standards that have afforded Americans the cleanest air and water in the world.”

Yet every day, America's waterways are being contaminated by something few want to talk about: chemical abortion drugs and the human remains they produce.

Across the country, women are taking abortion pills at home — usually alone — and being instructed by abortion providers to flush fetal remains down the toilet. Those remains, along with active and powerfully lethal drug compounds, enter our water treatment plants that are unequipped to handle them.

The FDA's Blind Spot

The problem traces back to 2000, when the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved the chemical abortion pill Mifeprex (mifepristone). The agency relied on a 1996 Environmental Assessment (EA) from a nonprofit group called The Population Council, which estimated the drug's environmental impact would be minimal.

Critically, that assessment did not consider the means by which fetal remains would be disposed. The Clean Water Act requires compliance with medical waste and human remains laws, but these were overlooked — both for Mifeprex's original approval and for later approvals of generics and protocol changes.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) failed to conduct an environmental analysis from the start, and even after multiple changes to the law, the EPA still has not completed the proper review of the environmental consequences of widespread use. This negligence is unacceptable and demands immediate action.

A Growing Problem

Over two decades later, chemical abortions now account for the majority of U.S. abortions — at least 63% in 2023, though the real number may be as high as 70% due to unreported online pill sales.

This rise means more human remains and more chemical contaminants are entering wastewater plants. Many women report the trauma of seeing their fully formed babies in the toilet before flushing them away.

Like other pharmaceuticals, mifepristone is a synthetic drug. Once mifepristone has been absorbed and passed through the body, it breaks down into active metabolites that maintain their therapeutic effects upon entering the water system. Since wastewater plants are not designed to remove them, no one knows the full impact of years of microdoses of mifepristone or its byproducts.

What is known is troubling: Mifepristone blocks progesterone, a hormone critical to fertility and the budding of new life. Infertility now affects 1 in 6 individuals worldwide. While a causal link hasn't

been proven, the correlation demands urgent study.

One estimate suggests more than 40-50 tons of chemically tainted medical waste — including aborted babies, placentas, and bone structures — are being flushed into waterways each year. In most states, fetal remains from abortion are not subject to the same burial or cremation requirements that apply to other human remains. Medical waste laws technically cover them, but enforcement is often nonexistent.

Calls for “Gold Standard” Science

President Trump's May 2025 executive order restoring “Gold Standard Science” also requires federal agencies to use unbiased, peer-reviewed research in their decision-making. The Make America Healthy Again Commission has likewise called for transparency and deeper study of environmental exposures.

Mifepristone fits that category. In a bipartisan letter to the EPA, Rep. Josh Brecheen and former Sen. Marco Rubio urged updated research, noting that the drug's environmental impact has never been sufficiently studied. The research that was supposed to happen but never did should have also been repeated to reflect today's far higher usage, and the EPA should investigate the byproducts — placental tissue, fetal remains, and drug metabolites — flowing into wastewater. Shockingly, no serious study on any aspect of this has been performed.

Beyond Study: Humane Disposition of Remains

Congress should hold public hearings and commission research into how abortion drugs and their byproducts are affecting rivers, lakes, and oceans — particularly their potential link to emerging diseases or reproductive health problems.

The EPA should be testing and monitoring water for mifepristone metabolites just as it does for PFAS (forever chemicals), yet because this touches on a controversial topic, nothing is being done.

This issue is not just about clean water but is also about human dignity. Every unborn child — whether lost through miscarriage or abortion — should have the opportunity for respectful burial or cremation. Reforming fetal disposition laws remains urgent.

An Issue That Should Unite Americans

This is not just a pro-life or pro-choice issue — it's a public health and environmental one. Clean water and human dignity should not be controversial.

As chemical abortions rise and oversight lags decades behind, both the environmental risks and ethical concerns grow. Without updated science and stronger laws, America risks allowing its waterways to become silent graveyards — contaminated not just with chemicals, but with the remains of its youngest citizens. **LC**

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Liberty Counsel Action at Work

Liberty Counsel Action (LCA) President John Stemberger, LCA Vice President of Governmental Affairs Jonathan Alexandre, and LCA Public Policy Analyst Abigail Forman visited the United States Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, D.C., to discuss the harmful effects of Abortion in Our Water. In addition, the team also briefed White House officials and hand-delivered LCA's groundbreaking 87-page report to members of Congress. Next up, LCA is pushing for a congressional hearing on Capitol Hill.

