



The New Year Starts With a Bang! We're being sued by an abortion clinic.

By Eric Holmberg

A year ago today I stumbled across one of the most disturbing—and frankly absurd—videos I have ever watched. (And given the

nature of my work and the research it entails, that's saying something!) The phrase "Good Women Choose Abortion" popped up in a Google-search I was doing for our current project on homosexuality. Curious, I clicked on it to find a YouTube video posted by a "women's health center" that specializes in helping "good women" end their unwanted pregnancies. I watched aghast as a mildly uncomfortable spokesperson gave a canned speech that left me wondering whether to laugh, cry or get angry. Nineteen times in four minutes she used the words "good" or "goodness" to describe the clinic's clients, its work and their collective hearts and intentions in relation to the question of whether "to bring a new life into the world." Among the many jaw-dropping comments were, "Deciding to have an abortion is a normal experience" and "When a woman decides to have an abortion she is making a choice that is thoughtful, considered and essentially comes from a place of goodness."

Anyone who has spent some time praying and counseling outside an abortion clinic knows that the majority of its clients have little or no idea of what abortion truly is or does on any number of levels or really what their alternatives are. For approximately 90%, killing their baby is simply a back-up measure to take care of a "problem" caused by their own lack of self-control. So much for the abortion process being "thoughtful," "considered," and "good."

I instantly saw a "teaching moment;" the potential to engage in a form of apologetics necessary to educate people. If abortion—as the video insisted—is such a good thing, then certainly their assertion would only be amplified by showing the actual procedure. I downloaded it, pulled out two of the most pertinent minutes and then proceeded to cover about half of the women's narration with footage of actual abortions, provided by my dear friend, Gregg Cunningham and his associates at the Center for Bio-Ethical Reform. I ended it with a graphic that advertised the clinic ("Northland Family Planning Center, 1-800-447-7354") over a picture of the body parts of a murdered in-utero baby along with the words "Your dead baby at 10 to 12 weeks." (This is the age when the majority of abortions take place.)

Now what to do with the video? My only real outlet as far as the broadcasting the clip was YouTube, and I knew that it would be pulled within hours, even minutes, of posting. I immediately thought of Gregg and CBR; this type of educational effort being right up their alley. So I posted the clip on the private side of my primary YouTube channel (where no one can see it without my permission) and sent the link to Gregg.



True to form, Gregg loved the concept and ended up doing his own version of the video, using even more graphic abortion video and roughly doubling the length. He posted it on his video channel and featured it prominently on CBR's home page as "The Most Shocking (graphic imagery), Four-Minute, Abortion Debate You Will Ever See!" It has now been seen by vast numbers of people around the world. The home page is [here](#) – or you can go [here](#) directly to watch the video. (Warning: Extremely graphic footage of abortion)

Now before I get to the lawsuit, I should tell you that in his former life, Gregg was an attorney (and a state representative) and he retains an acute interest in and knowledge of the law. He anticipated Northland Family Planning Center eventually seeing the video and going ape and so was careful to research copyright law and the Fair Use exemption to make sure that both the video and its broadcast was legal. He was and is satisfied that it is (thankfully so are our attorneys) and felt that should the clinic decide to sue him, it would be a blessing on a number of levels. First, it would create controversy which would drive even more people to watch the video. Secondly, it would tie up the abortion clinic's time and money. Third, if it does go to trial it will grant us an unprecedented glimpse into the internal workings and psychology of the abortion industry. The die was thrown.

And, oh yeah, modest man that he is, Gregg also wanted to make sure that proper credit was given for the initial idea. So at the end of the video he thanked "The Apologetics Group" for the "original concept." Thanks Gregg!

6 is prohibited and strictly enforced.
7 26. On information and belief, Eric Holmberg of the Apologetics
8 Group, obtained, without authorization, a copy of the Good Women Video and
9 distributed it to one or more Defendants.
10 27. On information and belief, on or around January 2011, Eric
11 Holmberg of the Apologetics Group and Gregg Cunningham of the Center for Bio-
12 Ethical Reform collaborated about the creation of a video making use of the Good
13 Women Video.
14 28. On information and belief, on or about January 7, 2011, one or

Well, the rest, as they say, is now history. Northland has sued, claiming among other things that the video great harm. Gregg and CBR are obviously the primary target in their crosshairs, but they have

come after me and TAG as well. Beyond the time I have already spent on this, I will be leaving in a few days for Michigan where my deposition will be taken by the abortion clinic's attorneys. I'm not sure where all this is headed, but am at peace because I know the Survivor of the world's most

noted problem pregnancy and infanticide attempt is on our side and completely in control.

I—all of us—would appreciate your prayers. Not that it is going to happen (we truly believe we are on the right side of the law on this) but if things go south for us and we lose, any loss suffered will be worth it if this controversy results in people becoming better educated on the issue of abortion.

And if you are interested and want to get a more complete picture as to what is going down with this lawsuit (it's a pretty incredible story and filled with insights into both our culture and the abortion industry) you can read Gregg's account of things [here](#).

May Jesus defend us.

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