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## Facebook Censors Ads for Film About Abortionist, Convicted Murderer Gosnell

The producers of the film *Gosnell: The Trial of America's Biggest Serial Killer*, Phelim McAleer and Ann McElhinney, have said that Facebook has censored their attempts to promote the movie on the social-media website beyond [the film's own Facebook page](#).

McAleer complained that Facebook hindered attempts to promote the movie through its own posts. When Facebook refuses to allow pages to promote their posts, it tends to bury them, even for those who follow the page. As McAleer explained it: "A limited number of people can see it within their feed but you cannot promote it to a wider audience. Many technical blogs who study Facebook reach report this means as little as 2 percent of your audience sees the post if it is not boosted."

The reach can be "boosted" by means of advertising, but Facebook rejected their ads without explaining the reason.

The film relates the story of the trial of Philadelphia's infamous abortionist, Kermit Gosnell. As we noted in an article about the film posted by *The New American* in September:

Gosnell, who had owned and operated abortion facilities in Philadelphia since the 1970s, was employing extraordinarily barbaric tactics in an industry already conceived in death and fraught with gruesome procedures. His clinic, the Women's Medical Society, also known as his "house of horrors," was raided by authorities on February 18, 2010 due to suspicion of illegal drug prescription use after an investigation lasting months. The investigation brought to light the suspicious death of a patient, Karnamaya Mongar, and the raid revealed much more than the illegal drug use already suspected.

Gosnell was arrested on January 19, 2011, and charged with eight counts of murder, including seven babies whom he was charged with killing after their live births, and Karnamaya Mongar, a 41-year-old refugee who died from lethal doses of anesthesia and painkillers administered by Gosnell and his employees.

In 2013, Gosnell was convicted of three counts of murder and one count of involuntary manslaughter. After a plea deal, he was sentenced to life in prison without parole.

At least 750 theaters across the United States are slated to show the film, beginning October 12.



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