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Is Our Government Trying to Kill Its Political Opponents in Prison?

A judge found, back in 2021 already, that government officials violated a January 6 defendant's civil rights by impeding his access to medical care. That [hapless man](#) isn't alone, either. Other incarcerated 2020 Capitol protesters have [alleged likewise](#), and now, reports hold, there are two more examples of what many would interpret as government attempts to kill imprisoned political opponents.

This time the targets are two gentle female pro-life demonstrators, one of whom is elderly. As LifeNews [reports](#):



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A group of House lawmakers are calling for answers amid reports that two pro-life women were denied "necessary medical care" while in prison awaiting sentencing.

House Pro-Life Caucus Co-Chair Chris Smith, R-NJ, authored the letter to the United States Marshals Service (USMS) Director Ronald Davis and Federal Bureau of Prisons Director Colette Peters.

Pro-life advocates Jean Marshall, 74, and Heather Idoni, 59, along with several other advocates, were convicted of violating the controversial Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances (FACE) Act for blocking access to a notorious late-term abortion clinic in Washington, D.C.

On May 15, Marshall was sentenced to two years in prison, plus three years of supervised release. Idoni will be sentenced on May 21. They have both already spent nine months at the Alexandria Detention Center in Alexandria, Virginia, while awaiting their sentences.

Representative Smith provided more details in a [press release](#) about the letter. "The lawmakers' press for answers comes amid reports that 74-year-old pro-life advocate Jean Marshall was denied hip surgery despite excruciating hip pain and two visits to the emergency room since her incarceration," he related May 16.

"Another pro-life advocate, Heather Idoni — a 59-year-old woman with diabetes who suffered a stroke two weeks ago — says she has suffered gross medical neglect while incarcerated, including denial of essential prescription medication that has raised suspicions her medical records could have been falsified by jail staff," the release also informs.

Of course, one could take issue with the law under which the women were convicted, the FACE Act, in the first place. After all, ours is a time in which left-wing miscreants can block streets and launch 600-plus riots, as in 2020, causing billions in property damage and dozens of deaths, and be winked at by demagogic politicians facilitating their "cause." But prenatal infanticide mills occupy a special place



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because, apparently, those who murder babies are a protected class.

Returning to the issue at hand, however, the point here concerns protections that should exist but no longer do — if you have the wrong politics. Obviously, denying a person, especially an elderly individual, necessary medical care can be a de facto death sentence. It's hard escaping the conclusion, too, that this is precisely the outcome some hard-left government officials desire.

And killing people in prison — when you can't (yet) just summarily execute them, as in North Korea and Iran — certainly has occurred in dysfunctional societies replete with low-virtue citizens. For example, some [suspect](#) that late Serbian leader Slobodan Milošević suffered a medical-neglect-induced death in prison in 2006, and others allege that mega-wealthy financier Jeffrey Epstein was surreptitiously murdered while in federal detention in 2019. Regardless, denying incarcerated ideological opponents medical care speaks for itself.

There's a now quite predictable irony here, too. As American Thinker's Olivia Murray [notes](#), "In the wake of *Roe v. Wade's* reversal, abortion as a political issue was thrown back to the states, and the abortion cartel—comprised of the industry itself, politicians, activists, and media pundits alike—swore that legislation largely banning or even limiting the practice would result in women being denied 'crucial' healthcare."

Of course, this is precisely what's now happening; only, it's the Left denying the women the healthcare. It's yet another example of how with leftists, virtually every accusation leveled is mere projection, a signal as to what they intend to do or have already done. (This is especially true since leftists, being relativists and thus unmoored from Truth, from God, are inordinately influenced by man; hence, convincing themselves that their opponents have already committed a given trespass or *would* do so justifies their commission of it in their own minds.)

Yet this behavior isn't surprising from the pro-prenatal-infanticide crowd, points out Murray. In fact, she reminds us that the facility Marshall and Itoni were convicted of blocking access to, the notorious Washington Surgi-Clinic, is the office of one Cesare Santangelo, seen in the following:

"He's also the man responsible for butchering the children whose bodies were recovered after they were intercepted by an anti-abortion activist group en route to a 'renewable waste facility' to be incinerated," Murray adds (video below).

So, she concludes, as it turns out, "being anti-abortion" is more likely to warrant a death sentence than "being able to freely kill your baby—but considering that pro-murder psychopaths are the ones in charge, this is hardly surprising."

For sure. I've long warned that an inordinate number of politicians are sociopaths and narcissists. (The same is surely true of abortionists. In fact, many may truly relish their jobs, having found a type of serial killing that can be legally indulged.)

Regardless, there's a perverse consistency here. There's no moral difference between killing a baby a moment after birth or a moment before — or a moment before that, and then a moment before that and, well, follow it out. Upon realizing this, the aforementioned Santangelo's willingness to kill born babies is explained.

But then, complete the progression going the other way: If murder is okay a moment before and a



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moment after birth, what about the next moment, and the next and the next, etc.? Follow this out, and killing a 59-year-old woman becomes a 177th-trimester abortion.

The lesson here is that splitting the baby of respect for human life is not a compromise. It's a deadly slippery slope that imperils us all.



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