

Unpacked to go: Abortion

MAGA Republicans on the Supreme Court have overturned Roe, stripping the fundamental right to abortion from millions. But they're not stopping there: they've made it clear that they intend to pursue a federal ban, along with repeal of rights including access to contraceptives, marriage equality, and even same-sex relationships. It's more important than ever that candidates and elected officials be held accountable by their constituents.

How to birddog

You need at least two people: one to talk, one to film. Show up at public or non-public events where your chosen elected official(s) will be, and ask a tough question. Force them to take a position or make it clear they're deflecting reasonable questions from constituents, get it on video, and get that video everywhere you can from social media to local print, radio, and TV news.

- Recruit and train your crew
- Find opportunities and research your target
- Attend the event & get them on record. Be PERSISTENT — they answer to you!
- Get footage up on social media and out to local media. Tag everyone!

Key questions to ask:

- If Republicans retake Congress, will you support a nationwide abortion ban?
- Do you oppose abortion even when the life of the pregnant person is at risk? For victims of rape and incest?
- Justice Thomas wrote that the Court should re-examine the rights to contraception, marriage equality, and privacy in the bedroom — will you oppose efforts to infringe on those rights?
- Do you support or oppose protections for the data and travel rights of pregnant people?
- Do you support efforts to remove legal protections from same-sex relationships?
- Should access to contraceptives have nationwide legal protection?
- If pro-choice: will you support changes to the filibuster to codify Roe? To create protections for same-sex marriage and contraceptive access?