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Making History at the U.S. Supreme Court End to Cruel **Abortion Laws**

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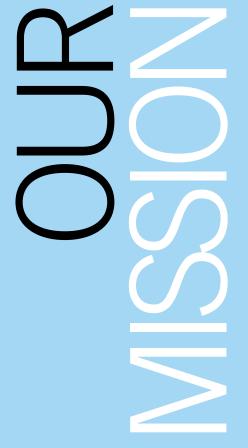
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The Center for Reproductive Rights uses the law to advance reproductive freedom as a fundamental human right that all governments are legally obligated to protect, respect, and fulfill.

FROM THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD CHAIR

For over two decades, the lawyers at the Center for Reproductive Rights have been the driving force in many of the most significant legal victories ensuring access to reproductive health care across the globe. Our game-changing litigation and advocacy work, combined with our unparalleled expertise in the use of constitutional, international, and comparative human rights law, have transformed how reproductive rights are understood by courts, governments, and human rights bodies.

This has been a historic year. The Center's legal victories brought us closer to our vision of a world where women have the reproductive autonomy to fulfill their destinies.

With your generous support, we made major steps to ensure all women have the right to make their own health decisions. We won the most significant abortion rights case in a generation before the U.S. Supreme Court, and we achieved groundbreaking justice for women in Ireland, Kenya, and El Salvador. But our work is not done—and it's more important now than ever before. We are confident that together, we can renew our commitment to our mission to build a more just and fair future for women and their families.

Nancy Northup President & CEO

Kathleen Tait Chair, Board of Directors



SINCE 1992 THE CENTER HAS BEEN REFORMING LAWS AND POLICIES WORLDWIDE...



We have worked to advance reproductive rights in

60 COUNTRIES

We worked on

52 CASES this year—from Ireland to Kenya, Brazil to Nepal.

Globally we have shared our expertise and resources with

156 PARTNERS

Access to life-saving obstetrics care

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Safe abortion services

Comprehensive sexuality information

Prevention of forced sterilization and child marriage

On June 27, 2016, the Center won the most important U.S. Supreme Court case for the right to safe abortion care in more than two decades. The landmark decision reaffirmed a woman's constitutional right to access legal abortion and sent a loud and clear message that politicians cannot use deceptive means to shut down abortion clinics. It is a victory for women, science, and the rule of law.

The ruling in *Whole Woman's Health v. Hellerstedt* thwarted HB2, a dangerous clinic shutdown law in Texas—and set a vital precedent that we are now leveraging to topple anti-choice laws across the country. We are launching new strategic litigation campaigns and proactive policy initiatives to fully reverse the damage wrought by hundreds of regressive laws and ensure access to abortion for the next generation.



The Center's bold legal strategies led the UN Human Rights Committee to call for a swift overhaul of Ireland's strict ban on abortion. It is the first case in which the Committee recognized that by criminalizing abortion a state has violated a woman's human rights. That ban forced our client, Amanda, to leave Ireland to obtain legal, compassionate abortion care. The ruling has already led the Irish government to pay compensation to Amanda, and lays the groundwork for challenges to other states' restrictive abortion laws.





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Along with SisterSong Women of Color Reproductive Justice Collective, we co-founded Black Mamas Matter—a network of Black women leaders tackling the growing U.S. maternal health crisis. The U.S. is the only wealthy country where the rate of maternal death has gone up in the past 10 years—and Black women are disproportionately affected. Together, we are building community and legislative support for policy solutions that promote safer and more respectful maternal health care.

SECURING. FREEDOM JUSTICE.

FOR LAS17

The Center's tenacity—in courts, in the media, in the U.S. Congress, and at the UN—won freedom for Teresa, a Salvadoran woman who was unjustly serving a 40-year prison sentence for homicide following a traumatic miscarriage. She is one of Las 17, a group of women wrongfully imprisoned because of El Salvador's total abortion ban. We continue to advocate on behalf of nine members of Las 17 who remain imprisoned, as we marshal international pressure on El Salvador to end its extreme antiabortion laws.





ROTECTING PEGNANI VÕMEN FR ABUSE

The Center won a pivotal case at the High Court of Kenya on behalf of two women who had been illegally detained, berated, and beaten in maternity wards. The court ordered the government to end discrimination and ill treatment in public hospitals and pay compensation to our clients. But because the problem is not unique to Kenya, we are broadening our impact by launching a regional campaign. Our advocacy expertise and technical assistance will enable more partners to access justice, hold governments accountable for maternal health violations, and reform laws and policies.

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MAKING



Members of the Center's Board



Dawn Porter, Kavita N. Ramdas, Isabel Allende, Nancy Northup, and John Oliver



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The festivities honored two exceptional champions of reproductive rights: documentary filmmaker Dawn Porter and author and human rights advocate Isabel Allende, who were introduced by *Last Week Tonight's* John Oliver and Kavita N. Ramdas of the Ford Foundation.



Nancy Northup and Michele Coleman Mayes



Guests waiting for the program to begin

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Together, we are building a healthier and more just world for women everywhere.

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