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RE: Bruce Norman injures woman during abortion

To Mr. Hale:

It has come to our attention that a woman was rushed by ambulance to a local hospital from the Jackson Women's Health Clinic in Jackson, Mississippi. This clinic is owned and operated by Diane Derzis and Bruce Norman performs abortions at this facility.

This is the exact type of medical malfeasance that will continue to occur in Birmingham at the New Woman All Women abortion clinic/Women's Center if Norman and Derzis' operations continue to go unchecked. Each day that the ADPH allows Norman and Derzis to operate their clinic without a license and not subject to oversight and inspection, it is endangering the safety and welfare of Alabama's women.

It is the responsibility of the ADPH to ensure women receive safe medical care. We have all seen what happens when the Department of Public Health turns a blind eye to unsafe abortion practices and refuses to enforce safety regulations. The result is what transpired in Philadelphia at the Gosnell clinic. If you continue to allow Norman and Derzis to provide substandard care that has now hospitalized a fourth victim, we will make the public aware of your inaction and your agency will be to blame for any harm that Norman and Derzis inflict upon Alabama's women.

We implore you to provide this information to Judge Boohaker so that he may take this incident into consideration in determining whether or not to allow Norman to continue to perform abortions in Birmingham. We have attached photos and a short video of the Jackson incident for you to review and to submit to the court.

Thank you for your time and consideration of these matters. We look forward to your prompt response to our concerns and trust that immediate action will be taken regarding this urgent matter.

Very truly yours,



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