The Mission:
To give innocent and helpless human beings of any age, particularly unborn children, a trained and committed defense against the threat of death, and to support their advocates in the nation’s courtrooms.
The pro-abortion mainstream media have tried hard to suppress the revelations made by David Daleiden and the Center for Medical Progress — but they have failed. CMP’s witness is as strong as ever. And consequences are slowly accruing to the long-overdue accounts of Planned Parenthood and other baby body parts profiteers.

We are happy to view this progress because we have been defending CMP in the legal arena since David and CMP first released photographic evidence.

We are also continuing our challenge to California’s unconscionable End-of-Life Options Act (ELOA), which legalizes discriminatory treatment of anyone merely designated as “terminally ill.” What’s more, we continue to take on new cases, day after day, in which a twisted medical system targets the elderly, ill, and disabled for termination.

And we are achieving many other victories for the cause of life.

We have especially recommitted ourselves to the defense of pro-life free speech, scoring notable victories in this area in the cases of San Bernardino v. Linton and People v. White.

Our responsibilities in standing up for pro-life speech are certain to expand after our recent informal agreement to act as the go-to legal organization for 40 Days for Life.

We at Life Legal are continuously reminded of how we depend on the help of pro-lifers like you. And we pray earnestly that you will continue to grant us your support in the coming year.

As you observe the unrelenting attempts of the death culture to dominate every area of society, all with a view toward undermining the sanctity of human life, bear in mind that we are struggling against the advocates of abortion, infanticide, and medical murder — and that you, through your generous support, are struggling with us.

Yours for the value of every human life,

ALEXANDRA SNYDER
Executive Director
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It’s been more than two years since David Daleiden and the Center for Medical Progress went public with evidence that Planned Parenthood sells baby body parts to enhance its already-overflowing revenue stream. Usually, pro-life witness to such unpleasant realities is rolled over in a matter of weeks, if not days. But Daleiden is still making the pro-aborts squirm. It may be that they will never dislodge the hooks of truth that Daleiden has set in them.

The desperate struggle of pro-abort officeholders and the mainstream media to put an end to Daleiden’s witness has all the marks of an afternoon soap opera — involving not only powerful enemies who bring all their force and money to bear, but also hysterical starlets pledging their all to serve the toppled idol known as Planned Parenthood. How on earth, the media exclaim, can PP be bad — if both Scarlett Johansson and Jennifer Lawrence support it? How indeed!

Nevertheless, the wheels of justice grind on. Referrals for prosecution from the House Select Panel on Infant Lives and the Senate Judiciary Committee work their way slowly through the United States Justice Department, headed by Jeff Sessions. In the case of Duran v. Southwestern Women’s Options, an aborted mother charges that a mill failed to secure informed consent before they shipped her baby off for dissection at the University of New Mexico.

PP’s allies in the mainstream media want you to think that Daleiden and CMP are yesterday’s fake news. Nothing could be further from the truth. David and CMP are the targets of ruthless suppression under cover of law — from which Life Legal is striving to defend them. But they have not been silenced, and the effects of their revelations continue to undermine the abortion culture’s comfy network of lies and obfuscations. That’s the way it ought to be.
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FIGHTING FOR LIFE FROM COAST TO COAST
MEDICAL MURDER THREATENS MORE AND MORE AMERICANS

The story of Charlie Gard, the baby boy whose parents’ pleas were ignored by Great Britain’s National Health Service and by the European Union’s Court of Human Rights, riveted the world’s attention on the new “medical ethic” — which clearly does not place a high value on saving lives. Many disgusted commentators attributed Charlie’s death to socialized medicine, and they had a point. Yet the same upside-down ethic is operating with a vengeance in the United States, where the socialization of medicine has yet to be completely formalized.

Life Legal is fighting the perverse new ethic in a major challenge to California’s End-of-Life Options Act, which enables physicians to dole out the “deadly drugs” forbidden in the Hippocratic Oath. In a way, though, this big case, significant as it is for all Californians, is only a small part of our work on this issue. The major part consists of constant intervention in individual cases. We receive calls from distraught family members and friends on a steady, almost daily basis. You have read about some of these cases — such as Israel Stinson and Joe Williams. But we can’t possibly keep you informed on all of them. There are just too many.

The murderous new “medical” ethic is not waiting for permission to go ahead with its program. Its proponents seek to advance every day. And, insofar as you enable us to do so, we are meeting their advance case after case.
40 Days for Life is a dynamic pro-life program that emphasizes prayer and fasting in conjunction with community outreach and, especially, round-the-clock organized prayer vigils in front of abortion mills. It has closed 90 abortion centers and saved a documented 13,553 lives. And leaders say that 40 Days is just getting started.

40 Days isn’t exactly new. It’s been around since 2004. And Life Legal has been helping 40 Days participants with the usual problems of front-line pro-life activists for almost that long.

Recently, however, the national leadership of 40 Days has proposed that we solidify our relationship with the organization and become its “go-to” legal aid operation. It seems like a great fit — since Life Legal has been assisting prayer warriors since 1989 and has always lived by the rule, “No case is too small.”

The many small cases that 40 Days is sure to bring to us add up to one gigantic undertaking. We are happy to embrace the project because 40 Days actually saves lives from abortion.

“Life Legal has provided so much legal help for 40 Days for Life over the years. The confidence that Life Legal gives our local leaders allows 40 Days for Life campaigns to thrive. Thank you for providing your expertise and giving the wonderful heroes of the pro-life movement the legal support that is required in order to use our rights to save lives. It’s great to have Life Legal Defense in your corner!”

Shawn Carney, President of 40 Days for Life
Matt Briton, General Counsel and Board Chair of 40 Days for Life
At the beginning of the year, the very first vengeful lawsuit against David and CMP, from StemExpress, a major dealer in baby body parts, was ignominiously dropped. StemExpress’ representation — McDermott, Will, and Emery of Chicago — withdrew from the case, apparently recognizing at last that it was without merit. The collapse of StemExpress v. Daleiden only underscored the pro-aborts’ failure to stifle CMP’s witness. The horrifying findings of the House Select Panel on Infant Lives, established as a result of CMP’s revelations, are directly damaging to Planned Parenthood and to the abortion industry as a whole. The Select Panel documented not only the illegal sale of aborted baby organs but also the use of illegal abortion methods, systematic violations of patient privacy, violation of laws on informed consent, illegal disposal of fetal remains, and truly bizarre abuses including the sale of whole human fetal brains for dissection by summer camp students. You can bet that such uses for fetal tissue were not mentioned on consent forms!

The point is that these findings would have been swept under the rug, branded as “discredited,” if Life Legal had not been defending Daleiden and CMP in the courts. And more will be achieved as we continue our defense.

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Nothing this century has undone the facade of respectability cultivated by the abortionists as thoroughly as CMP’s stunning revelations. This is true not only because CMP has proved that Planned Parenthood and other abortion profiteers regularly break the law, but also because its videos have refocused public attention on the realities of prenatal life, leading people to visualize not lumps of invasive protoplasm but little human beings with heads, hearts, limbs, and marketable livers.

CMP’s effectiveness explains the multiple pro-abort efforts to destroy David and his colleagues. Lawsuits continue from the National Abortion Federation and from PP itself. In addition, David and fellow undercover investigator Sandra Merritt are facing 15 vengeful criminal charges from California’s pro-abortion Attorney General, Xavier Becerra. On all these fronts, it is vital that CMP continue to be defended — and Life Legal remains determined to devote personnel and resources to its part in the battle.

- **The mindless rush toward medical murder is not slowing down.** In fact, since the cruel death of Terri Schiavo in 2005, and especially since 2010, our volume of calls on such cases has increased at a terrifying rate. Moreover, more and more attempts are underway to formalize the acceptance of what was once termed (by real Nazis!) “the destruction of life not worth living.” California’s End-of-Life Options Act (ELOA) is an especially egregious example of this trend.

Through our constitutional challenge to the ELOA, we at Life Legal are fighting against doctors becoming state-sanctioned agents of death — but find that even more of our attention goes to individual threats of medical murder brought to our attention day after day by frantic friends and family members. We know that we must allot an escalating proportion of our resources to these cases. Since a life is at stake in every instance, we remain committed to do what it takes.

- **Abortion advocates are increasingly insisting that their ideology become mandatory not only in the medical field but in workplaces everywhere.** We are currently representing the pro-life employees of conscience in two prominent cases: *Diss v. Portland Public Schools* and *Passmore v. 21st Century Oncology*. But more and more of these cases are sure to arise as pro-abortion totalitarianism seeks to advance. We must be ready at all times to defend the conscience rights of pro-lifers in the workplace.

- **Abortionists want to move into my neighborhood, your neighborhood, and every neighborhood in the country.** Most neighborhoods want them kept out. We are currently helping to litigate two cases that involve keeping Planned Parenthood out of objecting neighborhoods: *Respect Life South San Francisco v. City of SSF and PP* and *PP v. MMB Properties*. Although the exact issues differ in each case, both cases involve PP slipping past regulations and requirements that would stop any other business cold. We need to maintain our opposition to abortion mills in these cases and in others that are surely approaching. Preventing the establishment of abortion mills is one of the best ways of saving lives from the culture of death.

- **The cases dearest to our hearts at Life Legal have always been matters of defending the free-speech rights of pro-life activists and sidewalk counselors.** Protection of our precious First Amendment rights is at the core of Life Legal’s mission. But there’s a more important reason for our commitment to pro-life free speech. We know that pro-life speech saves lives!

We are currently pursuing this vital interest in the case of *Jackson State University v. White*. But we get calls about such cases every day. Many illegal challenges to pro-life free speech are resolved without going to court. We anticipate that our involvement in such cases will markedly increase in the coming year because of our recent comprehensive commitment to the highly successful 40 Days for Life campaign.
OUR STEWARDSHIP OF YOUR GIFTS

AS YOU GIVE PLEASE BE ASSURED THAT LIFE LEGAL WILL BE A WISE STEWARD OF ANY GIFT YOU SEND. THE GRAPH BELOW REFLECTS LIFE LEGAL’S 2016 INDEPENDENT AUDIT BY RINA ACCOUNTANCY CORPORATION.

SUPPORT AND REVENUE
(Fiscal Year: 2016)

Contributions
Donations 2,802,963
(Pro bono) Attorney services 1,317,548
Other income 24,051

TOTAL REVENUE $4,144,562

NET ASSETS, end of year $1,402,249

EXPENSES
(Fiscal Year: 2016)

See how your gifts go straight to saving the lives of babies.

Program services 2,963,083
Supporting services:
Fundraising 254,039
Administrative 117,791

TOTAL EXPENSES $3,334,913

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CLOSING STATEMENT

WE AT LIFE LEGAL ARE OVERWHELMINGLY GRATEFUL FOR THE CONTRIBUTIONS YOU HAVE MADE TO OUR PAST SUCCESSES — AND WE NEED YOUR CONTINUING ASSISTANCE AS WE FACE THE TREMENDOUS CHALLENGES OF 2018.

• Without you, we could never have stood up for David Daleiden and CMP — and Planned Parenthood never would have been referred for criminal prosecution for its revolting trade in baby body parts!

• Without you, we never could have challenged California’s homicidal End-of-Life Options Act, nor saved individual patients threatened with imminent death by coldhearted pseudo-medical personnel!

• Without you, we never could have stood up for pro-life activists like Fr. James Linton, Jeff White, and the prayer warriors of 40 Days for Life! And these activists never could have saved so many lives from the ravening maw of the abortion idol!

We’ve achieved victories in the past, and we can achieve many more in the future — but only with the help of generous and committed pro-lifers like you.

Please... could you contribute $50, $150, $500, or even $1,000 toward Life Legal’s activities in 2018?

From those who can afford to consider such sacrificial generosity, we are especially seeking gifts of up to $5,000 or even $7,500. Remember: we are taking on organizations that positively bathe in blood money.

We don’t have to match PP and other wealthy abortion advocates dollar for dollar — or even dime for dollar. But we do need to raise what constitutes a lot of money for us.

As always, we would be grateful for any amount you could afford to give. Life Legal has always depended on the widow’s mite and well understands its transcendent value.

We at Life Legal pray every day for our benefactors. And we earnestly ask our benefactor to do the same for us.

May the Lord reward your consideration and generosity with abundant blessings in the year to come!

And without you, we won’t be able to continue the fight for life against such death enthusiasts such as PP, the National Abortion Federation, and California Attorney General Xavier Becerra!

Because the embattled death culture is frantically attacking from many directions, we at Life Legal need your help now more than ever.