

The ruling in Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine v. FDA and the subsequent appeals court decision are unconscionable and inconsistent with the law.

After a Texas judge blocked the FDA's approval of mifepristone, one of two drugs used effectively in medication abortion, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals decided that while the court cannot ban mifepristone, they can restrict access. The appeals court decided to reinstate medically unnecessary restrictions, adding additional barriers to getting quality reproductive care, which will disproportionately impact our most underserved and marginalized communities.

**The United State of Women and our partners in the fight for intersectional gender equity are deeply disappointed that the court put politics over people and ruled to restrict abortion access and once again limit our reproductive freedom.**

There is no doubt that mifepristone is both safe and effective. Used in over half of abortion procedures nationwide, mifepristone is key to providing abortion access across the country and is also commonly used in miscarriage care. Since being approved by the FDA more than 20 years ago, mifepristone has been used safely by more than five million people in the U.S. and has a 99% safety rate – when it comes to serious medical complications, mifepristone is safer than Tylenol and Viagra.

Anti-abortion extremists are attempting to weaponize the courts to ban abortion nationwide, even in states that have legal protections for abortion access. Medication abortion is time-sensitive and essential. People should be able to receive medication abortion care however is most comfortable and best for them, and medically unnecessary, politically motivated restrictions put people's health and safety in jeopardy.

A court has never removed a medication from the shelves over the FDA's objection and doing so would set a truly dangerous precedent. Beyond threatening access to mifepristone, this case puts the FDA's authority to approve medications at risk, threatening the approval process for other medications patients need.

It's clear that overturning Roe was not enough. **This attack on medication abortion is not about a question of safety or medical risk; it is about anti-abortion leaders continuing to attempt to limit access and restrict reproductive rights.** And there can be no doubt about who will be most impacted by the loss of access to mifepristone: Black people, Indigenous people, people of color, LGBTQ+ people, people who are immigrants, people with low incomes, and people in geographically isolated areas. This ruling, which respects neither science nor the law, will further limit access to quality, affordable healthcare and continue a cycle of systemic oppression of our most underserved communities.

**We, the undersigned organizations committed to gender justice, are united in demanding the courts reverse this harmful decision and uphold the law.**

1. #VOTEPROCHOICE
2. 1000 Women Strong
3. Abortion Access Front
4. Abortion Freedom Fund
5. Abortion On Our Own Terms
6. Abuzz Health
7. ACLU
8. Advocates for Youth
9. ALABAMA BLACK WOMEN'S ROUNDTABLE
10. All Families Healthcare
11. All\* Above All Action Fund
12. Ally Primary Care
13. American Association of People with Disabilities
14. American Association of University Women
15. Asset Building Strategies
16. Bans Off Miami
17. Birth In Color RVA
18. Black Feminist Future
19. Black Girls Vote
20. Building Back Together
21. Cambridge Reproductive Health Consultants
22. Care in Action
23. Catholics for Choice
24. CENTRS Health
25. CERCL-FP
26. Charlottesville NOW (National Organization for Women)
27. Clearinghouse on Women's Issues
28. Coalition of Labor Union Women, AFL-CIO
29. Cobalt
30. Colorado Organization for Latina Opportunity and Reproductive Rights
31. Columbia NOW (Columbia, SC), National Organization for Women
32. Cultivator, Inc.
33. DemCast USA
34. Eastland Women's Clinic
35. EM Consulting
36. End Rape On Campus
37. Envision Justice
38. Equal Rights Advocates
39. ERA Coalition
40. Feminist Campus
41. Feminist Women's Health Center
42. Feminists in Action Los Angeles
43. FL National Organization for Women (FL NOW)
44. Florida Access Network
45. Forward Midwifery
46. Freedom From Religion Foundation
47. Future Coalition
48. Futures Without Violence
49. Girls for Gender Equity
50. Girls Inc.
51. Global Justice Center
52. Grandmothers for Reproductive Rights (GRR!)
53. Greater Orlando National Organization for Women (GO NOW)
54. Guttmacher Institute
55. HEART
56. Hollywood NOW (National Organization for Women)
57. Indivisible Bucks County
58. Ipas
59. It's On Us

60. Jahajee Sisters
61. Jewish Women International
62. Justice for Migrant Women
63. Legal Momentum, the Women's Legal Defense and Education Fund
64. Liberation is Lit
65. Mabel Wadsworth Center
66. Maitri Wellness, LLC
67. me too. International
68. Men4Choice Advocacy
69. Midwest Access Coalition
70. Monsoon Asians & Pacific Islanders in Solidarity
71. MYA Network
72. NARAL Pro-Choice America
73. National Alliance to End Sexual Violence
74. National Asian Pacific American Women's Forum
75. National Council of Jewish Women
76. National Crittenton
77. National Domestic Workers Alliance
78. National Institute for Reproductive Health
79. National Latina Institute for Reproductive Justice
80. National Network to End Domestic Violence
81. National Organization for Women West Pinellas
82. National Organization of API Ending Sexual Violence
83. National Partnership for Women & Families
84. National Resource Center on Domestic Violence
85. National Women's Law Center
86. National Women's Political Caucus
87. NCADV
88. New Voices for Reproductive Justice
89. NMAC (National Minority AIDS Council)
90. NOISE FOR NOW
91. Northeast Vasectomy and Family Planning
92. Our Justice
93. PA NCJW
94. Pasco NOW FL0365
95. PERIOD.
96. Pills By Post
97. Plan C
98. Planned Parenthood Federation of America
99. Pregnancy Options Wisconsin: Education, Resources, & Support, Inc (POWERS)
100. Pro Choice Maryland
101. Pro-Choice Connecticut
102. Pro-Choice Minnesota
103. Pro-Choice North Carolina
104. Pro-Choice Ohio
105. Pro-Choice Washington
106. Progress Florida
107. ProgressNow New Mexico
108. QueerDoc
109. Reproaction
110. RHEDI (Reproductive Health Education in Family Medicine)
111. Rhode Island Academy of Family Physicians
112. Right By You
113. Service Employees International Union (SEIU)
114. Sexual Violence Prevention Association (SVPA)
115. Shattering Glass
116. SHERo Mississippi
117. Silent No Longer Tennessee
118. SisterReach

119. SisterReach Illinois
120. South Asian SOAR
121. South Texans for Reproductive Justice
122. Southwestern Women's Options
123. State Innovation Exchange (SiX)
124. Steph Black Strategies, LLC
125. Supermajority
126. Survivors Know
127. SutterHealth
128. Texas Tubman Travel Project
129. The Collaborative
130. The National Domestic Violence Hotline
131. UltraViolet
132. UMass Memorial Health Care
133. Unite for Reproductive & Gender Equity (URGE)
134. USOW
135. West Alabama Women's Center
136. When We All Vote
137. Wisconsin Coalition Against Sexual Assault
138. Women's Foundation California
139. Yellowhammer Fund
140. YWCA Kalamazoo
141. YWCA USA