

Ethan Book for U.S. Senate

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To Other Candidates

Vincent Forras, Ridgefield, CT
Linda McMahon, West Hartford, CT
Peter Schiff, Weston, CT
Rob Simmons, Stonington, CT

Lady and Gentlemen:

The primary purpose of this letter is to openly and affirmatively deal with an important issue of this campaign, that being the issue of pro-life versus pro-choice.

In this regard, I provide attached a legal analysis which I recently did of the 1973 Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade. I welcome your review of it. With the comments and discussion in mind, I present to you several important questions:

1. Do you dispute my position that the abortion issue is not primarily one for U.S. Senators, rather it is primarily an issue for states except where there is a federal court challenge of a state law regarding abortion?
2. Do you dispute my position that for any public discussion of the pro-life versus pro-choice issue, the first focus should be not what one side believes or another side wants but rather whether Roe v. Wade was decided correctly?
3. Do you challenge my position that a right of privacy can be found in the U.S. Constitution, not in the 14th Amendment but rather in the 9th Amendment?
4. Do you challenge my position that there was not a preponderance of evidence for a federal court to overturn a Texas abortion statute in Roe v. Wade?
5. Also, do you challenge my position that while there may be cause to affirm a woman's right to privacy, that right should be considered also in conjunction with the right of privacy of the fetus as well as the right of privacy of the father?
6. Finally, for those of you who hold a pro-choice position, at what point at or after conception does a developing fetus become a human life?

I respectfully request your careful review and response to these important and relevant questions.

Sincerely,

Ethan Book

Enclosure

c: Christopher Healey