

The *NIFLA v. James* Case

Case Name: *National Institute of Family and Life Advocates v. James*

Case Status: Complaint filed May 24, 2024.

Significance: Whether New York can censor pro-life pregnancy centers because they tell women about the option of abortion pill reversal.



Background: On May 6, 2024, New York Attorney General Letitia James sued eleven faith-based, pro-life pregnancy centers and a network of affiliated centers in the state because they made positive and truthful claims about the safety and efficacy of Abortion Pill Reversal (APR). AG James is seeking “injunctive relief, restitution, damages, civil penalties, auditing and compliance review” and other costs. While that litigation is pending in state court, other pregnancy centers in the state that have made positive and truthful claims about APR are also at risk of being targeted for litigation by AG James. That’s why Alliance Defending Freedom has filed a lawsuit against AG James on behalf of the National Institute of Family and Life Advocates (NIFLA), Gianna’s House, and Options Care Center.

Key Points

- Many women regret their abortions—and some choose to reverse the effects of chemical abortion drugs before taking the second drug in the abortion drug process, often saving their baby’s life.
- AG James’ lawsuits are part of a larger trend of hostility toward pro-life pregnancy centers across the nation. There are similar investigations brought by hostile AGs in [Washington](#) and [New Jersey](#), and a lawsuit brought against pregnancy centers in [California](#).
- Pro-life pregnancy centers exist to provide free services, resources, and community to families facing unexpected pregnancies.
- The government can’t censor and shut down pregnancy centers for speaking about life-saving care.

Key Facts

- There is a window between the first and second abortion drugs where the effects may be reversed, and the [baby may be saved](#).
- Statistics show that Abortion Pill Reversal has likely [saved over 5,000](#) unborn lives and has a [64-68% success rate](#).
- In [2022 alone](#), pregnancy centers provided services valued at over \$358 million. This includes over 500,000 free ultrasounds, 200,000 STI tests, 3.5 million packs of diapers, 43,000 car seats, and more.

The Bottom Line: New York is censoring pro-life pregnancy centers for telling women about the option of abortion pill reversal.