

Obria Group v. Ferguson

Case Name: *Obria Group, Inc., and Obria Medical Clinics PNW v. Robert Ferguson*

Case Action: Case filed on November 29th, 2023.

Significance: Whether the government can target and harass pregnancy centers for their pro-life views.



Background:

The Obria Group is a network of pro-life medical clinics that provide comprehensive and compassionate care, operating over 20 clinics across several states. In May 2022, Washington Attorney General Bob Ferguson issued demand letters to Obria Group and Obria Pacific Northwest, purportedly to investigate “possible” deceptive marketing, particularly related to abortion pill reversal, as well as “possible” unfair collection and use of consumer data. The letters did not list any consumer or patient complaints or any evidence of a violation of the law. The AG demanded that they dig up 13 years of documentation including information regarding the identities of their contractors, volunteers, and tax preparers, board meeting notes, and much more. The AG’s actions are outrageous, inappropriate, and unconstitutional—and many of the requested documents do not pertain to the investigation of so-called “deceptive” advertising and collection of user data. Alliance Defending Freedom filed a lawsuit against the Washington AG on behalf of Obria Group and Obria Pacific Northwest to allow pro-life medical clinics to continue serving women, men, and children without unjust government interference or harassment.

Key Points

- AG Ferguson’s targeting of pro-life medical clinics interferes with their ability to reach the women and men they wish to serve.
- The State of Washington has a history of pushing an extreme pro-abortion agenda. Washington law forces [churches to cover abortion](#) in their employee health insurance policies, [allows minors](#) to obtain abortion without the knowledge of their parents, forces [taxpayers to fund abortions](#) in the state, and [proudly works](#) with Planned Parenthood to advance their radical ideology.
- The State of Washington is targeting effective medical clinics like Obria because they serve women and men from a pro-life viewpoint.

Key Facts

- Obria provides ultrasounds, prenatal care, STD and STI testing and treatment, abortion pill reversal, health education, and more.
- In 2021, Obria medical clinics served [over 7,700](#) unique patients.
- Obria Pacific Northwest never charges patients for their services.

The Bottom Line: Washington’s Attorney General is targeting and harassing Obria Medical clinics.