

To : The Inquiry Secretary

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Dear Sir/Madam     ATT: My late term abortion and how it changed my life

I, like some of you, was once pro-choice. I have my rights and my body was my own. I was told and fervently believed that it was only a piece of flesh, clump of cells. Finding myself in an unexpected pregnancy aged 39, I was offered an abortion by the attending medical attendant. Asking if it was a child yet, I was assured it was NOT. After the abortion was complete the person performing my abortion made the gruesome mistake of taking the remains of the "cells" and throwing them in a rubbish bin at the head of my bed. The baby NO LONGER JUST CELLS, but head, feet, toes, arms, it was not just tissue. I had been 5 plus months pregnant and not told. Anguish, guilt, shame can't even begin to explain my emotions. I heard her body over and over, hitting the bottom of rubbish bin. My life spiraled and my hope for any kind of a future was like a bottomless pit. There was no end. 2 tries at Suicide, failed marriage, self destructive behavior and self hate became the new Kay. For 16 years I struggled with self distaste of what I had done. I was told the procedure would end it all, they lied!! It was the beginning of many years wasted. If it was so good, why did I have such deep pain still if that was true? After a nervous breakdown I began to put the pieces together of a shattered life. There were innumerable women just like me, but like myself, kept it tucked deeply inside. Why? Too much shame! Too much guilt. Afraid of what others would think if they knew. My children also paid a price for my abortion in many ways one, I could not hold my grandchildren. About eleven years ago I began to speak out the truth not from a book of laws or medical degree but from a woman who in a less than perfect situation was lied to. I have spoken out and received thousands of thank you's. Many have gone thru healing and found freedom. Share in all kinds of places, churches, schools, I spoken in Parliament forums at Sydney and Adelaide. The White house and United Nations forums as well. I have made it my objective in life to help free those caught up in lies only to discover in the truth, it was a baby.!!! I have written a book called "From Sin and Sorrow to Service, which was on Amazon #1 for ladies issues and is now being published in 9 different languages. I would be more than willing to send you a copy so you can see for yourself the whole destruction late abortion did to me. I move between Australia and the US. Thank you for your time and consideration. I remain available to you for more inquiry should you wish.

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