



## RECORD ON LIFE

# Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.

**“I’m for women’s right to choose.”**

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*Interview with CNN’s Peter Bergen, 10/13/23*

■ **Abortion Without Limits:** “Mr. Kennedy’s position on abortion is that it is *always* the woman’s right to choose. He does not support legislation banning abortion.”

- Kennedy spokesperson (*Politico*, 8/13/23)

■ **Funding for Abortion Providers:** Kennedy supports taxpayer funding for abortion providers, including Planned Parenthood, the nation’s largest chain of abortion clinics.

“You can’t tell poor people that, because they don’t have the money, they have to bring a baby to term,” Kennedy argued. (*The American Conservative*, 8/14/23)

■ **Roe v. Wade:** “I am a firm supporter of the principles laid out 50 years ago in *Roe v. Wade*,” Kennedy declared. (*New York Post*, 8/14/23) *Roe* and companion case *Doe v. Bolton* effectively legalized abortion on demand nationwide and rendered unconstitutional meaningful protections for unborn babies.

■ **Dobbs v. Jackson:** The Supreme Court’s ruling in *Dobbs v. Jackson* (2022) returned abortion policy to the American people and their elected representatives. Kennedy opposed this ruling. “If the courts do not overturn *Dobbs v. Jackson* and restore abortion rights, I will support legislation to accomplish the same,” Kennedy told the *New York Post* (8/14/23).

■ **Abortion Drugs:** Chemical abortions account for more than 60% of abortions in the U.S. annually. A Kennedy statement to the *Washington Post* (11/8/23) confirmed, “Kennedy supports the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval of the abortion drug mifepristone.”

■ **Late Abortions:** Until recently, Kennedy did not support any legal protections for unborn children. “I’ve seen late-term abortion pictures and they’re horrifying. So, I understand the people who want them banned, but I also am too skeptical of government to believe that it should be the one that should be dictating bodily decisions,” Kennedy stated in an interview with journalist Peter Bergen (10/13/23).

Kennedy told *Reuters* he viewed every abortion as a “tragedy” but that it should be a woman’s right “throughout the pregnancy.” (*Reuters*, 3/20/24)

In May 2024, Kennedy revised his position amid public backlash, stating, “abortion should be unrestricted up until a certain point” and that he believes “that point should be when the baby is viable outside the womb.” [Post on X (Twitter), 5/10/24]

■ **“Pro-Choice” Candidate:** Kennedy labels himself “pro-choice.” At a *WMUR* townhall, Kennedy articulated that he does not want to “be in a position where I’m telling a woman she has to bring a child to term that she doesn’t want.” (*WMUR-9*, 6/23/23)