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National ProLife Signature-Ad Petition; More Important than Voting!

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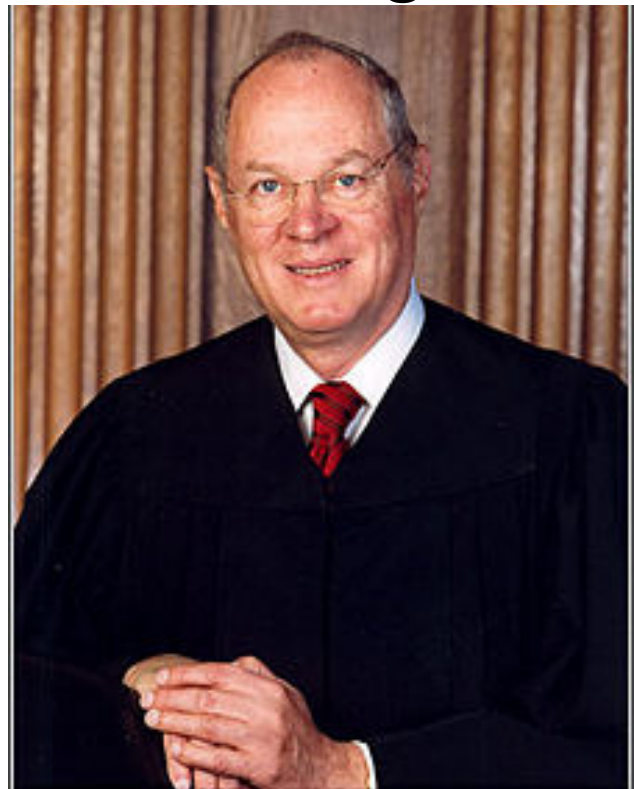
Kansas Coalition for Life Chairman, Mark Gietzen, claims, *"Signing the 2008 ProLife Signature-Ad Petition is more important than voting this year!"* His argument is strong and the voting public needs to know why.

In 1973, the United States Supreme Court decided, on their own, that abortion was a private matter and forced upon us our current abortion laws. These laws were not given to us through a legislative process, and the citizens of this country were not given an opportunity to petition their legislators before these laws went into effect.

In an effort to change this injustice, or at least to petition the actual lawmakers, Gietzen requested that the Supreme Court officially accept the 2007 ProLife Signature-Ad Petition.

Gietzen argued that in the case of abortion law, it is fruitless for citizens to petition the legislative branch, because The U.S. Supreme Court did not respect the laws made by legislators at either the state or the federal level, when making their original rulings in 1973.

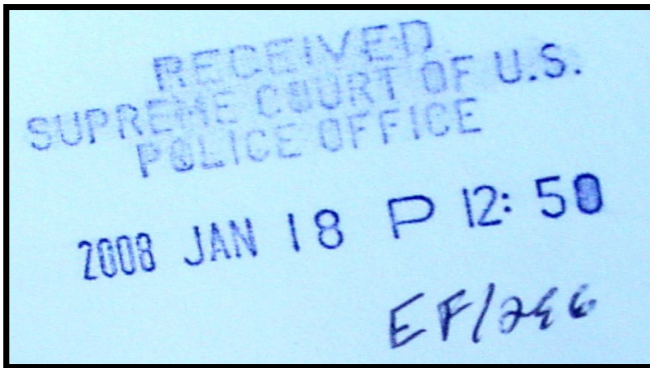
Many months of phone calls, red tape and repeatedly being told, "no" did not discourage Gietzen.



US Supreme Court Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, the "swing vote" on The Court, holds the key to all abortion law in America, and by our global influence, the entire world.

Eventually, Gietzen contacted the clerks who work directly for the Chief Justice, Honorable John G. Roberts, and that was the turning point.

Gietzen's persistence finally paid off. In January of 2008, The Court agreed to officially accept the 2007 National ProLife Signature-Ad Petition!



A photo of the actual U.S. Supreme Court acceptance stamp placed on the 2007 ProLife Signature-Ad Petitions.

This is a tremendous victory!

At no other time in history has the Supreme Court officially accepted a petition that was not affiliated with a specific case that was being considered by the Court.

Mark Gietzen has made the proLife position known and history will tell this story forever.

Currently, there are four U.S. Supreme Court Justices who are proLife and four are pro-abortion-choice. Only one justice remains undecided leaving what Gietzen calls, *"a chess game, where a single pawn unexpectedly holds the key to victory"*.

The entire abortion question in America is in the hands of one un-elected, undecided, individual named Justice Kennedy ...who could go either way!

How amazing, that at such a critical time, the petition is accepted!

Gietzen, who has done an annual Pro-Life Signature-Ad Petition nearly every year since 1982, has been called *"The William Wilberforce of the Pro-Life Movement."*

Now, the Supreme Court's acceptance of the 2007 ProLife Signature-Ad Petition raises the importance of his annual ad project to a whole new level.

Finally, every citizen has a means to petition the actual lawmakers, as they should have had since 1973.

Many people are not aware of how sensitive The Supreme Court is to public opinion.

Gietzen makes an interesting comparison to bring that point home: *"2000 years ago in a Court in the province of Judea, a judge made a ruling against Jesus Christ, and against his own better judgment, due to what he perceived as the 'public opinion' of a shouting mob. ...Nothing has changed in 2000 years! Justice Kennedy is equally sensitive to public opinion as was Pontius Pilate – or even more so!"* Therefore, all nine Supreme Court Justices need to hear from us."

We hope and pray that the 2008 ProLife Signature-Ad has such a profound affect on Justice Kennedy that he votes proLife, thereby putting our side in the majority.

A KCFL volunteer, who lives in New York, has produced an excellent YouTube video to explain the Signature-Ad Petition. To view it, go to: www.kcfl.net and click on Video. To sign the 2008 ProLife Signature-Ad Petition, click on the "Signature-Ad" tab.



The 2007 ProLife Signature-Ad Petitions were hand delivered to the U.S. Supreme Court by Donna Joy Vance, the Miracle Child, best known for her role in the Partial Birth Abortion ban. Peter Shinn, of ProLife Unity (left) was there to record the events.