**Nine Months Legal – Partial-Birth Abortions**

**Court testimony excerpts from lawsuits over abortion legislation**

**Excerpts from Government's cross examination of Dr. Vibhakar:**
**Q:** Okay. When the head was stuck, you disarticulated the body from the head; is that correct?
**A:** Yes.

**Q:** And you removed the body, compressed the head and removed the head; is that correct?
**A:** Yes.

**Q:** And in decompressing the skull, you're trying to reduce its sides [sic] so it can fit through the cervix?
**A:** Yes.

**Q:** And when you are doing this, you're trying to remove skull pieces so the liquid brain will empty from the cranium and the head will decrease in size; is that correct?
**A:** And in compressing it, if it doesn't fit, and in my experience it hasn't fit without decompressing it in the process of crushing it or grasping it, it becomes punctured enough so that the cranial contents will drain, and then it will fit through the cervix.

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