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Granite City, IL (LifeNews.com) — The Hope Clinic for Women located in the Illinois side of border of St. Louis, is the subject of the second botched abortion lawsuit in six months. In this new case, a young woman says the abortion center failed to do a complete abortion and left part of her unborn child inside of her — causing her infertility.

Antoinette Blanton, who is 20, filed a \$50,000 against the abortion center saying the failed March 2006 abortion caused her to be sterile.

According to the lawsuit, abortion practitioner Allen S. Palmer, of Bridgeton, failed to remove the entire unborn child during the abortion procedure.

The Granite City Press newspaper indicates attorney Christian Montroy of the Rex Carr Law Firm in East St. Louis filed the suit for Blanton in Third Circuit Court and that the case has been assigned to Circuit Judge Andy Matoesian.

The paper indicates a deposition was held May 16 but no other court dates for hearings have been set.

Local pro-life advocate Angela Michael told LifeNews.com she's not surprised by the lawsuit because legalizing abortion didn't make the abortion procedure any safer for women.

"Back-alley abortions were supposed to be a 'thing of the past,'" after abortion became legal and multi-million dollar abortion centers like Hope were opened.

"When are the Illinois Board of Health and legislators going to wake up and public outrage going to hold the butchers inside Hope abortion Clinic accountable?" she asked.

“Every pregnant woman walking inside these purple doors is taking a chance she may be [dead after the abortion] or days, weeks later be lying in an emergency room full of infection and fighting for her life, such as this little girl,” Michael added. “She will never be able to bear her own children.”

In April, Hope became the subject of a new lawsuit from a woman who accuses it of doing an abortion on her without her consent. <https://www.lifenews.com/state3177.html>

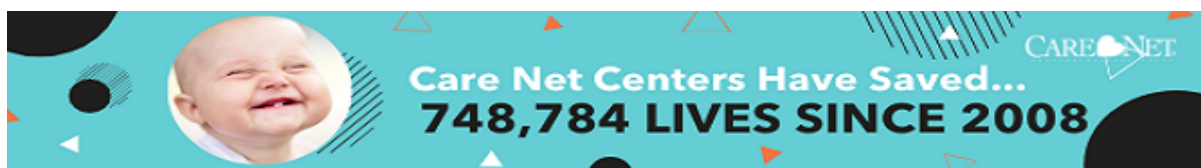
Brandy Hildreth of Granite City is suing for having a different abortion practitioner do the abortion.

She was treated by a Dr. Palmer — presumably abortion practitioner Alan Palmer — but Chicago-area abortion practitioner Lisa Memmel eventually did the abortion without her knowledge.

“That the performance of the abortion upon Plaintiff by Respondent in Discovery was totally without consent; or, alternatively, was against the Plaintiff’s will; or, alternatively substantially varied from the specific consent granted by Plaintiff,” the complaint indicates.

In the lawsuit, Hildreth seeks \$50,000 in damages from Memmel and the Hope abortion center plus attorney’s fees.

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