

CAUSE NO. D-1-GN-23-008611

KATE COX; JUSTIN COX; AND DAMLA	§	IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
KARSAN, M.D.; on behalf of herself, her	§	
staff, nurses, pharmacists, agents, and	§	
patients,	§	
<i>Plaintiffs,</i>	§	TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS
	§	
v.	§	
	§	
STATE OF TEXAS, et al.,	§	200 th JUDICIAL DISTRICT
<i>Defendants.</i>	§	

DECLARATION OF INGRID SKOP, M.D.

I, Ingrid Skop, M.D., hereby declare as follows:

1. I am over the age of eighteen and am competent to offer testimony. I submit this expert declaration based on my personal knowledge and experience.
2. I have been a board-certified obstetrician and gynecologist (OB-GYN) since 1998. I received my undergraduate degree from Oklahoma State University and my medical degree from Washington University School of Medicine. I completed my residency in obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio.
3. I practiced obstetrics and gynecology at a private practice in San Antonio from 1996 to 2022. I continue to practice as an obstetric hospitalist today.
4. I've attached a copy of my C.V. detailing my experience, training, and knowledge.
5. I am familiar with Texas' abortion laws and previously provided expert testimony on the medical exception in *Zurawski v. St. of Tex.*, Cause No. D-1-GN-23-000968 (Travis Ct'y Dist. Ct. 353rd Jud. Dist., March 6, 2023).

6. A medical exception exists to Texas' general prohibition on abortion when a physician, in their reasonable medical judgment, concludes that a pregnant female "has a life-threatening physical condition aggravated by, caused by, or arising from a pregnancy that places the female at risk of death or poses a serious risk of substantial impairment of a major bodily function unless the abortion is performed or induced." Tex. Health & Safety Code § 170A.002(b)(2).

7. I have reviewed the pleadings in this matter.

8. Ms. Cox alleges that her child has been diagnosed with trisomy-18.

9. Ms. Cox alleges that she has intermittently experienced the following symptoms during her pregnancy: elevated glucose levels, cramping, diarrhea, and leakage from an unknown source.

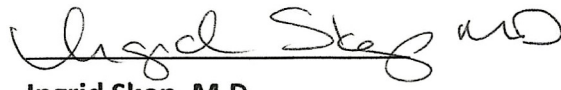
10. Ms. Cox also alleges that she is at increased risk of complications during birth due to her two prior C-section births.

11. In my expert opinion, as pled, Ms. Cox has *not* alleged that she has been diagnosed with a life-threatening physical condition aggravated by, caused by, or arising from her pregnancy as required to qualify for the medical exception.

12. Further, in my expert opinion, as pled, Ms. Cox has *not* alleged that she has been diagnosed with a condition that places her at risk of death or poses a serious risk of substantial impairment of a major bodily function unless the abortion is performed or induced as required to qualify for the medical exception.

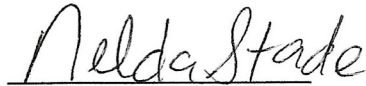
I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed in Bexar County, TX, on December 7, 2023.



Ingrid Skop, M.D.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me on December 7, 2023.



Notary Public, State of Texas

