

Who is extremist?

If anyone's intellectual honesty, credibility and sincerity are called into question, it should be Peggy Loonan's. It is ironic that when her publicly expressed positions are challenged, she needs to resort to slandering Barbara Martin.

Since when is a person's commitment to abortion a fundamental requirement for public service? Honesty, integrity, intelligence, morality, reason, etc., used to be the expected requirements for leaders. Not only have these been tossed out, but the "high standards" bar has been placed so low that politicians have to be warned not to trip over it.

Loonan accuses (Attorney General John) Ashcroft of "attempting to legislate his religious beliefs about abortion and birth control." Well, her government and politics teacher must have failed to inform her that attorney generals do not legislate anything. Why does the so-called "right" to abortion overrule legitimate rights, such as freedom of religion and speech? Must a politician check his conscience into the closet before being appointed to public office? Are we to believe that Loonan would refuse to support abortion and pack away her irreligious beliefs if she were elected to public office? After all, she would be representing the majority of Americans who do not support an unrestricted right to abortion.

In the November Pro-Life vs. Pro-Abortion debate at Colorado State University, Loonan stated that she agrees that unborn fetuses are human beings, that the government has mandated a moral right to

abortion, and that, in fact, mothers might have the moral responsibility to kill their babies. Loonan has the gall to label Ashcroft's desire to protect human life as extreme while she supports the most inhumane and extremely cruel treatment of innocent children.

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Legal does not equal moral

I finally get it! Peggy Loonan isn't pro-abortion! She just feels that a mother in a miserable situation would feel so much better if she could ~~by~~ her baby's skin with a saline solution, have her baby ripped apart by a rotary saw, or have the baby's brain sucked out so the skull will collapse.

These are the nasty facts of abortion. How can a woman make an informed choice without the facts? In

addition to the destruction of the baby, legal abortions can and do result in the death of the mother.

When a woman survives the abortion of her child, her emotional health is destroyed. Some are paralyzed by guilt; others try desperately to get women to join in their guilt by pushing the legality of abortion.

All of us must remember that many atrocities have been legal! The soldiers, guards, doctors, nurses and Hitler himself were all doing what was legal in the Nazi extermination camps. Chinese officials legally take children away from their families and drown them because the pregnancy slipped by undetected. The government legally bombs school children in Sudan. Legal does not equal moral, no matter how long the law has been in effect.

Although Loonan denies it now, she did admit at the November pro-life/pro-abortion debate that a fetus is indeed a human life and that it is morally right to kill that life. She shouldn't be calling Barbara Martin a liar when she cannot even quote herself accurately.

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