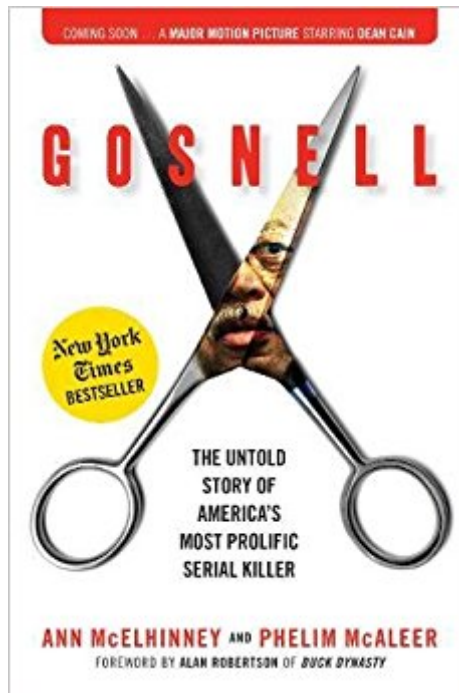




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Gosnell: The Untold Story Of America's Most Prolific Serial Killer



Synopsis

He is America's most prolific serial killer. And yet Kermit Gosnell was no obvious criminal. The abortion doctor was a pillar of his community, an advocate for women's reproductive health, and a respected member of Philadelphia's professional elite. His Women's Medical Society Clinic looked like admirable community outreach by a brave doctor committed to upholding women's rights. Meanwhile, inside the filthy building, Gosnell was casually murdering born-alive infants, butchering women, and making a macabre collection of severed babies' feet. His accomplices in crime were a staff of dropouts, drug addicts, and unlicensed medical professionals posing as doctors. But even more important to his decades-long crime spree were his enablers in the outside world—from the state bureaucrats who had copious evidence that Gosnell was breaking the law but did nothing to the politicians whose fervent support for abortion rights kept health inspectors away. The pro-choice political, bureaucratic, and media establishment smiled on Gosnell and gave him carte blanche to kill. Even law enforcement seemed to not care. Philadelphia Police Homicide Unit received a complaint about Gosnell years before he was caught, gave it a cursory look, and ignored the evidence. Two women and hundreds of babies died after they closed the case. Luckily, Detective Jim Wood—a narcotics detective—opened a drug case against Gosnell. What he found when he served his warrant left even the most grizzled members of the police force stunned. Now Ann McElhinney and Phelim McAleer, the veteran investigative journalists and filmmakers behind FrackNation, dig into Gosnell's crimes. A record-breaking crowdfunding campaign financed their Gosnell movie starring young Superman Dean Cain, but in the research for the film, McElhinney and McAleer uncovered fascinating and previously unreported revelations that couldn't be included in the film. Gosnell: The Untold Story of America's Most Prolific Serial Killer contains the full results of their investigation.

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Customer Reviews

“Hollywood could not conjure up a villain more barbaric and cold-blooded than true-life serial killer Kermit Gosnell. Investigative journalists Ann McElhinney and Phelim McAleer take you face to face with Philadelphia’s baby butcher in this gripping exposé. But the story is especially chilling because he did not act alone. The true horror lies in Gosnell’s ghoulish gallery of enablers—feckless government bureaucrats, abortion radicals, and an AWOL media. McElhinney and McAleer are unflinching torchbearers of truth. This book is a public service.”

—Michelle Malkin, author of *Culture of Corruption* and *Unhinged: Exposing Liberals Gone Wild*

Gosnell reads like a literary *Criminal Minds*. This deftly-written, gripping, and graphic account of the arrest and grand jury investigation into Kermit Gosnell’s nightmarish house of horrors reveals the truth about the monster who murdered with no compunction and kept ghastly trophies of his victims. Gosnell thoroughly reports the facts the mainstream press largely ignored: that, for years, complaints about unsafe conditions and even fatal malpractice at Gosnell’s clinic were met with zero action, so concerned were the powers-that-be with protecting unfettered access to abortion. Gosnell indicts a system that, in the name of women’s reproductive health, failed to do anything to protect the women and born-alive infants who were slaughtered at 3801 Lancaster Avenue.

—Maria McFadden Maffucci, editor, *Human Life Review*

Ann and Phelim courageously tell the heart-wrenching, shocking story previously ignored, one that every American needs to read. With each page, abortionist Kermit Gosnell takes his place in American history as a monster whose victims were the most innocent and helpless among us.

—Katie Pavlich, editor, *Townhall.com*

In this historic book, Ann McElhinney and Phelim McAleer meticulously record the harrowing true-crime story of Kermit Gosnell’s barbaric abortion and infanticide business. Every American needs to read Gosnell, because the atrocities he committed, with the knowledge and support of public authorities, demand that we answer what we really believe about human dignity and the law’s equal protection for the most vulnerable.

—David Daleiden, the undercover reporter behind the Center for Medical Progress videos that exposed Planned Parenthood’s baby parts business

Warning: once you start reading this, you will not be able to put it down. It will grip you from the first page and not let you go. No matter what

pre-judgments you may have when you begin, they will be challenged.â#151;Connie Marshner, pro-life strategist and CEO of Connie Marshner & Associates

Phelim McAleer and Ann McElhinney are investigative journalists, filmmakers and screenwriters. McAleer has worked as a journalist in Belfast covering the Northern Ireland conflict for The Irish News. He was a crime correspondent for the UK Sunday Times and based in Romania he was a foreign correspondent for the Financial Times and The Economist magazine. He is a regular columnist for the Irish Times and the New York Post. Ann McElhinney has written for the Irish Times, the UK Sunday Times and produced documentaries for the BBC, CBC (Canada) and RTE (Ireland). they produced and directed the documentary FrackNation (2013). McAleer and McElhinney are originally from Ireland and are now living in Los Angeles. They produced and co-wrote Gosnell, a feature film starring Dean Cain (Lois & Clark) to be released in 2017. They are married.

It is the silence of others, despite the grotesque nature of the crimes committed, that continues to bewilder me as I read this startling book. Thankfully, filmmakers Ann McElhinney and Phelim McAleer refused to avert their investigative glare from the inhumane travesty conducted in Philadelphiaâthe mutilated, mass killing of born-alive infants within the seedy walls of the Womenâs Medical Society Clinic by a certain Doctor Kermit Gosnell. This âDoctorâ eschewed the Hippocratic oath and human decency. Instead, Kermit Gosnell chose a bleak path nearer to that of Josef âThe Angel of Deathâ Mengele. Mengele did not act alone. His grizzly deeds in Auschwitz were government sanctioned. Nor did Kermit Gosnell act in isolation. The complicit role activist media, social radicals, medical colleagues, and incompetent (politicized) government played in perpetuating his crimes is an indictment of the moral wasteland weâre becoming. This is not about equating Gosnellâs crime to the horrific actions of Mengele, except to illustrate contemporary societyâs refusal to learn from the past. If we did care, these blood-curdling crimes against babies would have ended earlier. If we did care, a caring nation would collectively march in the streets demanding answers. Instead, thereâs muted silence and politicized obfuscation. For me, this telling of the Gosnell nightmare is the first salvo in the fight for our very souls, and a diminishing chance to avoid us being judged barbaric. It is not okay to set aside fundamental moral principles (by either omission or commission) in the pursuit of blindly furthering an ideology. And, itâs never acceptable to contrive distorted truths and false claims (rationalized that itâs âfor the greater goodâ) as a justification for the darkest of human behavior. In that sense, this book provoked

in me a reaction well beyond the Pro-Choice/Pro-Life debate. It touched the core of what it truly means to be an empathetic, civilized society; and how the reprehensible conduct of some bad actors destroys it for all of us. As such, authors McElhinney and McAleer have my thanks. I regard them as "canaries in the coalmine" alerting us, American society, to the consequences of turning a blind eye to the inhumane deeds of a select few. If we continue to get this wrong and allow enablers to disassemble facts in order to cover up crimes against the feeblest among us, history will judge us all harshly. "Gosnell" is a tough read, but a civilized society has the responsibility to pursue the truth wherever it may take us. There should be zero tolerance for cover-ups or dubious rationales, no matter where one resides on the ideological spectrum. In that spirit, I recommend "Gosnell" as required reading in all institutions dedicated to social sciences, moral ethics, governance, and medicine.

Whether one is Pro-Life or Pro-Choice, he needs to take the time to read this compelling account of Kermit Gosnell's abortion clinic. Horrors were perpetrated on desperate, innocent women while government bureaucrats repeatedly turned a blind eye, Why? Amazing. Also amazing, that Ann McElhinney and Phelim McAleer had the courage to expose this monster as well as the cruelty of his abortions.

Kudos to McElhinney and McAleer for presenting one of the most gripping, yet under-reported, true crime stories of our time. This book is a clear, well researched book that makes you feel like you're reading a script for "Criminal Minds". It is also a provocative look at the hypocrisy of a revolution to provide women with "choice". McElhinney & McAleer expose essential facts necessary for honest debate about the greatest moral question facing our nation today. I challenge every American woman to read this book to understand the story and the culture that has been purposefully kept from public view. I am sickened by the facts, sad beyond words for the victims, ashamed of my ignorance, and will be haunted by this book for quite some time to come.

Kermit Gosnell was a Philadelphia abortionist who decided that allowing babies to be born and then killing them was either more efficient, easier, or, if we are to see him as a serial killer, more rewarding than killing them in-utero. This book tells the tale of how he was caught and of the trial that followed. The pacing is quick and thrilling. The writers, investigative journalists, leave no stone unturned and have a keen sense of how to convey the human cost of the events on all involved.

The story is also obviously extremely emotional for the writers and that comes through. The tale of how Gosnell was caught and what came out during the trial are surreal and unbelievable. Were it not for the Grand Jury testimony which McAleer and McElhinney used as their primary source and the interviews with law enforcement and Gosnell himself to verify the facts, one would be tempted to think the whole thing was fiction. Tragically, it was not. The book's tone and tension reflects this with a balance of the excitement of discovery with the sadness and horror at what was discovered. This book is simultaneously informative, engaging, terrifying and eye opening. It is a true-crime page-turner but also hard to digest when one realizes that it describes actual events and tragedy. Finally, as someone who is agnostic on the politics of abortion, I found the book to be an important read and one that ultimately forces the reader to deal with the deep moral, emotional and philosophical questions that must be grappled with if we are to be honest with ourselves with regards to this issue.

This book made me want to scream at times, cry a lot, want to vomit. It should be read by pro-life advocates and pro-choice advocates. That this man was able to kill so many, defenseless babies is beyond my comprehension. That this could be allowed to happen in this clinic for so long, makes me wonder in how many other clinics it is happening. It's not about abortion. It's about murder!

The book is a compendium of what can happen when every safety net fails, the corruption goes all the way to the governor, the procedures, the filth, uneducated and unqualified staff administering powerful drugs, bureaucrats ignoring the most damning reports, humans who had long since forgotten that they were human, and by the grace of God a few people who stood up and said this can't go on. How powerful case study and what can go wrong, you won't regret reading it you'll think about it for weeks.

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