



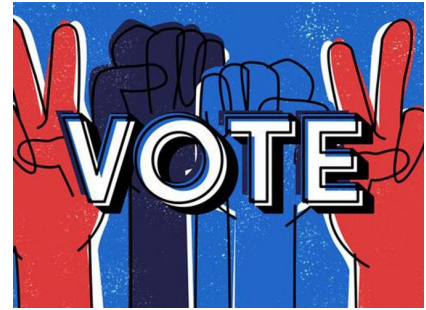
# ADVOCACY IN ACTION

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## Absentee Voting Information - What You Need to Know

Are you registered to vote? **The deadline to register to vote for the November 8th midterm election is October 12th.** [Click here](#) to check your voter registration status.

- All absentee ballot requests must be received by October 26th.
- To request an absentee ballot in St. Louis County, [click here](#).
- To request an absentee ballot in St. Louis City, [click here](#).



**Absentee voting began on September 27th.** Ballots **must** be received by 7:00 pm on Nov 8th, either by mail or in-person. **Absentee ballots must be notarized.** The statement on the outside of the ballot envelope must be signed in front of a notary public. **NCJWSTL Advocacy Manager Jen Bernstein is happy to notarize your ballot.** Please contact her at [jbernstein@ncjwstl.org](mailto:jbernstein@ncjwstl.org) to make an appointment.

Remember, ballots can be turned in person by a close family member on or before November 8th, but if you plan to mail your ballot, we suggest doing so no later than October 27th.

*For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Jen Bernstein at [jbernstein@ncjwstl.org](mailto:jbernstein@ncjwstl.org).*

## Tell Your Senators to Guarantee The Right to Contraception

The right to contraception has been relentlessly under attack at the state level. And, in Justice Clarence Thomas' concurring opinion in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, he urged the Court to reconsider its decision in *Griswold v. Connecticut*, which recognized the right to use contraception.



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**[The Right to Contraception Act](#)**, legislation that would codify the fundamental and constitutional right to contraception — which the Supreme Court first recognized more than half a century ago in its decision in *Griswold v. Connecticut* — passed the House of Representatives and has been introduced in the Senate.

[Click here](#) to urge your senators to pass the Right to Contraception Act to ensure the right to contraception and a corresponding right for health care providers to engage in a full range of contraception-related services.

## Take the Pledge: Rebuild Missourians' Access to All Sexual & Reproductive Health Care

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**FIGHT FOR  
REPRODUCTIVE  
JUSTICE!**

Within minutes of the U.S. Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade, Missouri politicians banned abortion except in cases of medical emergency. NCJWSTL, Planned Parenthood and the Missouri Family Health Council have joined forces to fight and rebuild a state where everyone can access the sexual and reproductive health care — including abortion — that

they need.

Now more than ever, it's important that everyone has accurate information about the health care available to them. Abortion is banned in Missouri, but **birth control is still legal & available**. Let's keep it that way.

[Click here](#) and take the pledge to fight for Missouri's reproductive future.

## October Lunch and Learn - Disability Rights with Sarah Jane Hunt



Thursday, October 20, 2022  
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM CT

Sarah Jane Hunt

**When:** Thursday, October 20 | 12:00 – 1:00 PM CT

**Where:** Zoom

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Disability rights are human rights. Everyone deserves to be included and live a full life in their community — accessing the same public spaces, housing opportunities, education, and work as anyone else. Many people with disabilities experience multiple risk factors for human and civil rights violations. Although the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) became law in 1990, discrimination still exists. Attitudes, poor enforcement of the law, underfunded programs, and fiscal difficulties in state and local government budgets all contribute to the ongoing need to be vigilant advocates for full inclusion and equity.

For October's Lunch and Learn, we are excited to welcome attorney Sarah Jane Hunt, who will talk about disability advocacy and its intersection with other civil rights issues. Hunt is an accomplished attorney who focuses her practice on civil rights, employment, and special education disputes. She has extensive experience representing sober homes, disability rights agencies, and individuals in fair housing matters in federal and state court. Sarah Jane also litigates collective and class actions relating to unpaid wages and overtime under both the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) and state wage and hour laws.

## Take Action & Join the A-List



Now more than ever you will want to make sure that your name is on NCJWSTL's A-List for 2022! Join us as we stand together and speak out about the issues that matter most.

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A-List sponsorship ads sustain our collaborative efforts to educate the community and elected officials about issues integral to our mission. The full-page ads will run in the St. Louis Jewish Light during 2022.

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## Interesting Reading



Legal advocates have secured the release of five pregnant and postpartum women who were detained in Etowah County, Alabama, to "protect" their fetuses. **However, several other pregnant and postpartum women held under similar circumstances remain jailed indefinitely.**

[Click here](#) to read Jessica Washington's article from *The Root*, "Update: Five of The Pregnant and Postpartum

Women Jailed in Alabama Have Been Released."

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