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**NORMA McCORVEY v. HILL**

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

June 19, 2003

I introduce Norma McCorvey a/k/a Jane Roe of *Roe v. Wade* fame. She wanted the case she had won in 1973 to be overturned. The Supreme Court denied certiorari of this District Court decision in 2005. You cannot undo a final decision 30 years later!

**OPINION:** Judge David C. Godbey...Before the Court is Plaintiff Norma McCorvey's Motion for Relief from Judgment. The Supreme Court's decision in *Roe v. Wade* (1973) ended this case over **thirty years ago**. McCorvey wants to reopen that judgment for this Court to conduct a wide-ranging inquiry into whether *Roe* is still good law in view of more recent Supreme Court decisions and the current state of scientific knowledge...[A motion to alter the outcome of a final decision must] be brought within a "reasonable time" after the judgment. Court opinions measure a "reasonable time" ... in weeks or months, **not in decades**. Thirty years is manifestly not a reasonable time...

**CONCLUSION:** Whatever else it may or may not have done, the Supreme Court's *Roe* decision thirty years ago ended *this* lawsuit between *these* parties. Whether or not the Supreme Court was infallible, its *Roe* decision was certainly final in this litigation. It is simply too late now, thirty years after the fact, for McCorvey to revisit that judgment. Other parties in other cases may be able to reexamine those issues, but not McCorvey in this case. Accordingly, McCorvey's Motion for Relief from Judgment is hereby DENIED.