

2022 Selected Cases

(NOTE: Up to 2 cases may be substituted for NHSEB cases when released the week of 9/12)

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Case #2: Happy to be alone?

On May 18, 2022, the New York Court of Appeals heard a case on whether Happy the elephant has the right of Habeas Corpus, and therefore, whether she is considered a legal person. This was the first case of its kind in an English-speaking high court and called into question what constitutes a person in the United States.¹

For the past 45 years, Happy the elephant has been kept at the Bronx Zoo in a one-acre enclosure, with intermittent contact with other elephants.² A petition led by the Nonhuman

elephant sanctuary. The pe

NhRP argues that those who have claims against their case do so for personal interest, such as the habeas rights to animals would ... drive up the cost of conducting critical research using animals, threatening to impede important medical breakthroughs and other major scientific advances that benefit

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Case #4: Do no harm

On December 24, 2017, 75-year-old Charlene Murphey was admitted to Vanderbilt University

and allowed it to continue operations with federal funds.

On the other hand, the

reversed its earlier

negligent homicide and abuse of an impaired adult. Although guilty of very serious charges, Vaught was sentenced to three years of probation and while she will likely never be a nurse again, she will also likely not serve time in prison. Still, many worry that the apparent institutional cover-up and chilling effect on nurses will cost other patients their lives.

Case #7: Anti-Vax or Anti-American

The United States Air Force Academy graduating class of 2022 was three fewer than anticipated at the May 25

Amid concerns that vaccination requirements are overblown and the possible costs that cadets may face for refusing, some in Congress have taken the side of the cadets and introduced the Defending Freedom of Conscience for Cadets and Midshipmen Act. The Act would, if passed, prevent denial of graduation for not being vaccinated against COVID-19; prevent being dismissed from a service academy for refusing to be vaccinated; and, prevent any cadet who is not allowed to commission due to their COVID-19 vaccination status from being subject to repayment claims.¹³

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Case #10:

Joseph Camp

obtain birth control without parental consent, and a recent piece of legislation in California may allow children to be vaccinated against COVID-

With the proliferation of anti-vaccination movement, critics of these new vaccine rights laws worry that the legislation may allow children to make decisions they do not fully understand.²³ For instance, many in the anti-vaccination movement hold serious concerns about the potential long-term impacts of new vaccines, which have yet to be tested for long-term impacts to health that may not be known for years or even decades.

²² Klass, P

regimens can reduce violent actions,²⁷ although most studies reaching such conclusions both

not always the case), and further, the odds of violent outbursts are overall very low in any case, with some studies showing that poverty, homelessness, and isolation that often go hand-in-hand with nonconsensus realities are more likely to cause violent outbursts than the hallucinations themselves.²⁸

-Carlton takes care not to diminish the suffering of people like herself and speaks of mainstreaming of autism but the nascent acceptan

Through their work, the Alliance also works on suicide prevention, although their work is very different than mainstream suicide prevention methods.

-Carlton has designed teaches that the

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freely about all that is preying on them, including the wish to take their own lives, and in the groups, a foundational pact is that no one will be reported, not to any hotline, not to the police or any practitioner, no matter what he or she expresses

To comprehend how thoroughly this defies dominant practice, take the policy of the -called and heavily federally funded suicide hotline. It advertises confidentiality but covertly scores risk and, each year, without permission,

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14. So sue me!¹

After Gawker Media published a scandalous video of the wrestler Hulk Hogan, Hogan sought revenge. He ultimately decided to sue Gawker for violating his right to privacy. Luckily for Hogan though, he was not the only person out for vengeance against Gawker. Years earlier, Gawker had divulged private and sensitive information about Peter Thiel, one of the wealthy

dollars to help Hogan win his lawsuit against Gawke

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