

# Your Pregnancy and Childbirth Rights During COVID-19

## VIRTUAL SEMINAR, JULY 18TH 2020

### ABOUT THE GEORGIA BIRTH ADVOCACY COALITION

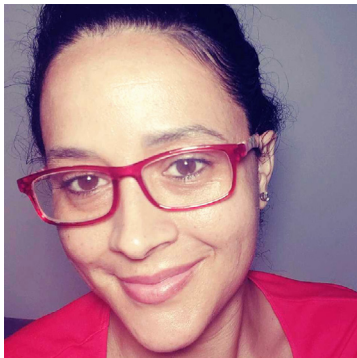
The Georgia Birth Advocacy Coalition advocates for the legal and human rights of all people who give birth in Georgia. GBAC educates about birth inequities, abusive obstetric practices, and self-advocacy, equipping families to demand better from the childbirth system. To learn more, visit [georgiabirth.org](http://georgiabirth.org) or email [info@georgiabirth.org](mailto:info@georgiabirth.org).



### SEMINAR SCHEDULE

- 10-10:45** Darice Good, *Navigating DFCS and Child Protective Services in Childbirth and Beyond*  
**10:45-11:15** Renitta Shannon, *Advocating for Your Rights at the Georgia Legislature*  
**11:15-11:45** Pamela Winn, *Dignity for Incarcerated Women*  
**11:45-12:30** Jeffrey Filipovits, *Your Childbirth Rights in Georgia*  
**12:30-1:15** Cristen Pascucci, *Consent in Childbirth*  
**1:15-1:45** Joint Q&A Session About Your Childbirth Rights With Cristen Pascucci and Jeffrey Filipovits  
**1:45-2:15** Lisa Lambert, *Issues Affecting Pregnant and Nursing Mothers During COVID-19*  
**2:15-2:45** Corrinna Edwards, *Racism in Maternity Care*

### BIOS AND MORE INFORMATION



**Corrinna Edwards, Midwife and Founder of the [Bellies to Babies Foundation](#)**  
***Racism in Maternity Care***

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Corrinna is a midwife and doula, as well as the founder of the Bellies to Babies Foundation. She is also the first African Aboriginal Metis American North American Registry of Midwives CPM recipient in Georgia. She has campaigned for the licensure of community midwives, greater inclusion of Black midwives, and an end to preventable maternal mortality at the Georgia legislature and in collaboration with organizations like Black Mamas Matter.



**Jeffrey Filipovits, Civil Rights Attorney**  
***Your Childbirth Rights in Georgia***

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Jeff Filipovits is a partner at Spears & Filipovits, LLC, a law firm devoted to protecting civil and constitutional rights through litigation in state and federal court. Jeff has established himself as a leading attorney in Georgia on issues of medical neglect, jail and prison conditions, excessive force, false arrest, and the First Amendment rights of protestors and demonstrators.



**Darice Good, CPS Attorney**

***Navigating DFCS and Child Protective Services in Childbirth and Beyond***

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Darice is a child abuse and neglect attorney in Georgia. She is a member of the Georgia Supreme Court's Justice for Children Committee and the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act Panel, Children's Justice Task Force. Darice co-authored the adjudication chapter of the first National Parents Representation book. Darice was the 2015 Georgia Juvenile Attorney of the Year.

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**Renitta Shannon, State Representative, House District 84**

***How to Fight for Your Rights and Advocate for Legislation at the Capitol***

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Renitta Shannon is a state representative serving House District 84 in the Georgia House of Representatives. She has consistently advocated for women in mothers, fighting on behalf of numerous reproductive causes, including preventing maternal mortality, expanding health coverage for pregnant people, and ending the shackling of pregnant women in jails and prisons.

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**Lisa Lambert, Employment Attorney**

***Issues Affecting Pregnant and Nursing Mothers During COVID-19***

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Lisa C. Lambert is a civil rights attorney who exclusively represents plaintiffs in employment and police abuse matters. In the employment realm, she has extensive experience representing victims of discrimination and retaliation in the trial courts and on appeal.

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**Cristen Pascucci, Activist and Founder of [Birth Monopoly](#)**  
***Advocating for Your Rights in the Maternity Care System***

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Inspired by her experiences with a dysfunctional birth system, Cristen founded Birth Monopoly. She is a patient advocate, birth rights educator, and activist for human rights in childbirth. She regularly publishes self-advocacy tools and guides to birthing rights.

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**Pamela Winn, Activist and Founder of [RestoreHER](#)**  
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Pamela Winn is an activist and Founding Director of RestoreHER in Atlanta, GA. RestoreHER is led by and advocates for directly impacted women in the south by addressing the social determinants of criminalization and social inequities through education, leadership, and policy change. Pamela spearheaded the Dignity for Incarcerated Women Act, which banned the shackling of pregnant prisoners.