

SENATORIAL HOPEFUL MALIGNS CATHOLICISM

James D. Oberweis is expected to announce his candidacy for a U.S. Senate seat in Illinois within the next week. Oberweis, who is a Republican Catholic businessman, has said that his concerns about abortion should not be translated into law. On October 28, he was quoted to have said, "I think the Taliban is the best example we've ever had about what is wrong about my trying to impose my religious views on you."

Catholic League president William Donohue commented as follows:

"It does not matter that James D. Oberweis is Catholic. What matters is that he has maliciously defamed Catholicism. To compare public office holders who are pro-life to the murderous Taliban is obscene. According to Oberweis' logic, Illinois congressman Henry Hyde, who is pro-life, is indistinguishable from terrorists.

"Oberweis needs to apologize to Catholics immediately. It is our hope that Illinois citizens will hold him accountable for his actions."