

# 1986: The Act

## VIEWER GUIDE

**1986: The Act** contains substantial amounts of new and little-known information about vaccine 'safety' corruption, and the 1986 National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act.

In order for viewers to be able to concentrate on the film and complete any desired follow-up research, we have prepared these notes that include the names of all featured experts, the names of all the legal cases mentioned and other key points made throughout the film for your convenience.

### Chapter 1: Ex-Vaxxers

#### Featured Experts

**Rolf Hazlehurst**, Attorney, father of vaccine injured Yates Hazlehurst, former Assistant District Attorney for the State of Tennessee.

**Barbara Loe Fisher**, co-founder of the National Vaccine Information Center, co-author of *DPT: A Shot in the Dark*, mother of vaccine injured Chris Fisher.

#### Notable Mentions

***DPT: Vaccine Roulette*** (documentary, 1982, aired NBC, by reporter Lea Thompson).

***DPT: A Shot in the Dark*** (book, 1991, by Harris L. Coulter & Barbara Loe Fisher)

**National Vaccine Information Center** (formerly known as Dissatisfied Parents Together, founded in 1982 by parents of children injured by the Diphtheria Pertussis Tetanus DPT vaccine).

## **Chapter 2: The Rabbit Hole**

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**Rolf Hazlehurst**, Attorney, father of vaccine injured Yates Hazlehurst, former Assistant District Attorney for the State of Tennessee.

## **Chapter 3: What About Polio?**

### **Featured Experts**

**Patrick Tierney**, Medical Historian, Author, *Darkness in El Dorado*.

**Efthimios Parasidis**, Professor of Law and Public Health, Ohio State University, nationally-recognized expert on health law and bioethics.

### **Notable Mentions**

**Julius Youngner**, co-inventor of the inactivated polio vaccine and scientist who authored the letter regarding safety concerns at Cutter Laboratories in California.

**Jonas Salk**, inventor of the inactivated polio vaccine who failed to send Youngner's letter.

**Bernice Eddy**, virologist at the National Institutes of Health in charge of testing the inactivated polio vaccine on monkeys and who subsequently found unacceptably high rates of paralysis in the monkeys and the presence of Simian (Monkey) Viruses within the vaccinations.

***Recalibrating Vaccination Laws***, paper by Efthimios Parasidis published in Boston University Law Review, Vol. 91, 2017 ([link](#)).

**Legal Case Mentioned:** *Anne Elizabeth Gottsdanker VS. Cutter Laboratories*.

## **Chapter 4: Fear**

### **Featured Experts**

**Efthimios Parasidis**, Professor of Law and Public Health, Ohio State University, nationally-recognized expert on health law and bioethics.

### **Notable Mentions**

**CBS 60 Minutes:** *Swine Flu*, 1976, producer Norman Gorin, host Mike Wallace.

- **David Sencer**, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, claims to not know if the X53A vaccine was field tested.
- **Dr. Michael Hattwick**, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, claims his superiors (including David Spencer) were told of the risks of injury relating to the X53A vaccine.

**DPT: Vaccine Roulette** (documentary, 1982, aired NBC, by reporter Lea Thompson).

**Swine Flu Act**, President Ford signed the Swine Flu Act. Click [here](#) to learn more.

## **Chapter 5: Liability**

### **Featured Experts**

**Mike Hugo**, Plaintiff's Attorney in Vaccine Injury Litigation.

**Barbara Loe Fisher**, co-founder of the National Vaccine Information Center, co-author of *DPT: A Shot in the Dark*, mother of vaccine injured Chris Fisher.

### **Notable Mentions**

**Dr. Bobby Young**, Microbiologist in *DPT: Vaccine Roulette*, 1982.

**Monsanto Payouts:** Several recent lawsuits have resulted in [multi-billion dollar payouts](#) relating to their weed-killer RoundUp, and links to cancer.

**Legal Case Mentioned:** *Thomas McNelly VS. Alan Bulotsky & The Massachusetts State Laboratory.*

**Legal Case Mentioned:** *Clara Morgan Shackil VS. Lederle Laboratories.*

## **Chapter 6: Discovery**

### **Featured Experts**

**Barbara Loe Fisher**, co-founder of the National Vaccine Information Center, co-author of DPT: A Shot in the Dark, mother of vaccine injured Chris Fisher.

**Mike Hugo**, Plaintiff's Attorney in Vaccine Injury Litigation.

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**Lederle, Pharmaceutical Company:** Memo by Dr. Christensen, click [here](#) to download.

**Dr Larry Baraff**, UCLA, Whooping Cough Researcher approached by Wyeth pharmaceutical company employee Dr. Marc Deitch. Click [here](#) to download the memo, showing a serious reaction rate of 1 in 214 doses.

**DPT: Vaccine Roulette** (documentary, 1982, aired NBC, by reporter Lea Thompson).

**1963, Eli Lilly, Trisolgen Memo:** Click [here](#) to download the Trisolgen Memo, showing that Eli Lilly had a safer acellular whooping cough vaccine in 1963.

**Dr. Stainer Memo:** Click [here](#) to download the Stainer Memo, showing a less toxic product could have been created, but at a higher cost.

**Dr. Schuh Memo:** Click [here](#) to download the Schuh Memo, which contains the quote regarding the price and purity of the vaccine.

**Lederle Patent, 1937:** Click [here](#) to download the Acellular DTP Patent copy, showing Lederle pharmaceutical company had a patent as far back as 1937 for a safer acellular vaccine.

**Corporate Response Memo:** Litigation against Lederle was up 400% in response to the 1982 documentary, DPT: Vaccine Roulette. Click [here](#) to download Lederle's corporate response memo, claiming the DPT vaccine was as safe as it could be.

**Vaccine 'Pinto' Memo:** The 'Pinto' Memo is a famous memo showing Ford Motor Company traded safety for profits after finding a risk in their 'Pinto' vehicles. Click [here](#) to download the Vaccine 'Pinto' Memo, showing the choice for the DPT vaccine came down to profit over infant health.

## **Chapter 7: Extortion**

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**J.B. Handley** is a private-equity entrepreneur, autism dad, author of *How to End the Autism Epidemic* and co-founder of Generation Rescue.

### **Notable Mentions**

**Congressman Henry Waxman (D-CA)**, sponsor of the 1986 National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act.

## **Chapter 8: O Brave New World**

### **Featured Experts**

**Jim Moody** is a practicing public interest attorney with experience in vaccine related cases.

**Mary Holland** is the former Director of the Graduate Legal Skills Program at New York University, co-author of *HPV Vaccine On Trial*, and is the General Counsel for Children's Health Defense.

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### **Notable Mentions**

**Legal Case:** *Lee Ann Manley VS. The Secretary of Health and Human Services* (the first case to be heard in the new program under HHS).

**Chief Special Master Vowell**, US Court of Federal Claims.

**Dr. Alan Hinman, CDC**, featured within *DPT: Vaccine Roulette* (documentary, 1982, aired NBC, by reporter Lea Thompson).

## **Chapter 9: On-Table, Off-Table?**

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## **Chapter 10: Avoidable Injury**

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## **Chapter 11: Bad Things**

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**Mark Blaxill** is an autism father, Editor-at-Large of Age of Autism, former Senior Vice President at The Boston Consulting Group, co-author of the 2020 book *The Age of Autism*, and author of several articles published in journals including the Journal of Toxicology.

**Wayne Rohde** is an autism father and author of the 2014 book *The Vaccine Court: The Dark Truth of America's Vaccine Injury Compensation Program*.

**Jim Moody** is a practicing public interest attorney with experience in vaccine related cases.

**Jackie Schlegel** is the mother of a vaccine injured child, and leader of Texans for Vaccine Choice.

### **Notable Mentions**

**Autism Cases Compensated:** Click [here](#) to look up any case from the vaccine court.

**Mary Holland Article**, *Unanswered Questions From the Vaccine Injury Compensation Program*, click [here](#) to download.

## **Chapter 12: Gutting The Table**

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**Donna Shalala:** Secretary of Health & Human Services (HHS) 1993 - 2001 under President Bill Clinton, later President of the Clinton Foundation 2015 - 2017, and current Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Florida's 27th District.

## **Chapter 13: Deliberate Ignorance**

### **Featured Experts**

**Robert F. Kennedy Jr.** is a former ADA for New York City, graduate of Harvard University, and respected environmental lawyer. He is the author of the 2014 book *Thimerosal: Let the Science Speak*, and founder of Children's Health Defense.

**J.B. Handley** is a private-equity entrepreneur, autism dad, author of *How to End the Autism Epidemic* and co-founder of Generation Rescue.

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**HHS Lack of Safety Reporting Lawsuit 2018:** Click [here](#) to download.

**Tom Insel, Former NIH Director.**

**Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System (VAERS):** Click [here](#) to view the current VAERS website.

**Harvard Pilgrim Study of VAERS Efficacy:** Click [here](#) to download the Harvard Pilgrim study that found less than 1% of vaccine injuries were reported to VAERS.

***How to End the Autism Epidemic:*** 2018 book by J.B. Handley.

## **Chapter 14: Fraud**

## Featured Experts

**Andy J. Wakefield** is an academic gastroenterologist falsely accused of scientific and medical misconduct due to his pursuit of truth around MMR vaccine safety, and vaccine injured children. Wakefield directed the 2016 film *Vaxxed: From Cover-Up to Catastrophe*, and 2020 film *1986: The Act*.

**Dr. Brian Hooker** is PhD, PE, Associate Professor of Biology, father of an autistic vaccine injured son, and recipient of calls & materials from the CDC Whistleblower.

**Jim Moody** is a practicing public interest attorney with experience in vaccine related cases.

**Del Bigtree** is an Emmy-Award-Winning and former producer on *The Dr. Phil Show* and CBS medical talk show, *The Doctors*. He is the producer of *Vaxxed: From Cover-Up to Catastrophe*, and host of the internet talk show *The HighWire*.

**Lyn Redwood, R.N., M.S.N.**, is a Nurse Practitioner, autism mother, and current President of Children's Health Defense.

**David Kirby** is a journalist who has been published in *The New York Times*, former foreign correspondent, and author of the 2005 book *Evidence of Harm - Mercury in Vaccines and the Autism Epidemic: A Medical Controversy*.

**Mary Holland** is the former Director of the Graduate Legal Skills Program at New York University, co-author of *HPV Vaccine On Trial*, and is the General Counsel for Children's Health Defense.

## Notable Mentions

**Vaxxed: From Cover-Up to Catastrophe:** Download [here](#).

**Dr. William Thompson:** CDC Whistleblower, reported to Dr. Julie Gerberding his concerns around the use of fraudulent data on a pivotal MMR Autism 'DeStefano' study.

**Dr. Julie Gerberding:** former Director of CDC.

**Homeland Security Bill:** The Bill, a response to the September 11 attacks and signed into law under George W. Bush, contained an entirely unrelated provision to provide Eli Lilly pharmaceutical company with protection against civil liability for their mercury-based preservative, and controversial vaccine ingredient, Thimerosal.

**Thomas Verstraeten:** CDC Scientist, read more [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#).

**The Generation Zero Study:** Click [here](#) to read more.

**Congressman Bill Posey (R-FL):** Click [here](#) to watch Bill Posey questioning Dr. Coleen Boyle of CDC regarding a vaccinated vs. unvaccinated study.

**Poul Thorsen, Danish scientist:** Read more [here](#) and [here](#).

## **Chapter 15: Crisis Management**

### **Featured Experts**

**Robert J. Krakow** is a private practice attorney based in New York City, He served as a Bureau Chief in the Office of the Special Narcotics Prosecutor for the City of New York, is an accomplished trial lawyer, and specializes in representing individuals with vaccine injuries.

**Mary Holland** is the former Director of the Graduate Legal Skills Program at New York University, co-author of *HPV Vaccine On Trial*, and is the General Counsel for Children's Health Defense.

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**Rolf Hazlehurst** is a former Assistant District Attorney General for Tennessee, former criminal prosecutor, father of a vaccine injured son, Yates Hazlehurst, and Senior Staff Attorney for Children's Health Defense.

### **Notable Mentions**

**Legal Case:** *Michelle Cedillo VS. The Secretary of Health and Human Services*

**Legal Case:** *Yates Hazlehurst VS. The Secretary of Health and Human Services*

**Omnibus Autism Proceeding:** Learn more [here](#).

**Dr. Andrew Zimmerman:** Top pediatric neurologist, former expert witness for the government, originally authoring an opinion denying that the MMR or thimerosal containing vaccines could cause autism who later changed his position.

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**Legal Case:** Hannah Poling VS. The Secretary of Health and Human Services

**Dr. Jon Poling:** Pediatric Neurologist, father of Hannah Poling, and colleague of Dr. Andrew Zimmerman

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**Legal Case:** *Hannah Bruesewitz VS. The Secretary of Health and Human Services*

**Legal Case:** *Hannah Bruesewitz VS. Wyeth, INC - Eastern District Court PA*

**Legal Case:** *Hannah Bruesewitz VS. Wyeth, INC - Court of Appeals, 3rd Circuit*

**Legal Case:** *Hannah Bruesewitz VS. Wyeth, INC - Supreme Court of the United States*. Click [here](#) for the SCOTUS case.

**Hot Lot Vaccines, the Bernstein Memo:** Click [here](#) to download the Bernstein Memo.

## **Chapter 18: A Feast of Consequences**

### **Featured Experts**

**Mark Blaxill** is an autism father, Editor-at-Large of *Age of Autism*, former Senior Vice President at The Boston Consulting Group, co-author of the 2020 book *The Age of Autism*, and author of several articles published in journals including the *Journal of Toxicology*.

**Robert F. Kennedy Jr.** is a former ADA for New York City, graduate of Harvard University, and respected environmental lawyer. He is the author of the 2014 book *Thimerosal: Let the Science Speak*, and founder of Children's Health Defense.

**Gayle DeLong, PhD**, is an Associate Professor of Economics and Finance at CUNY,

**J.B. Handley** is a private-equity entrepreneur, autism dad, author of *How to End the Autism Epidemic* and co-founder of Generation Rescue.

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### Notable Mentions

**Can ‘Delitigation’ Transform an Industry?** Article, Gayle DeLong, PhD, click [here](#) to read.

**Robert DeNiro:** Actor and co-founder of the Tribeca Film Festival, supported, then censored, then re-endorsed *Vaxxed: From Cover-Up to Catastrophe*.

**Congressman Adam Schiff (D-CA):** Wrote letters to Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos (click [here](#) to read) and to Google & Facebook (click [here](#) to read) requesting censorship of vaccine related content that goes against the government narrative.

## Chapter 19: Upon Reflection

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### **Notable Items**

**Bill Zedler:** Texas House Member, defending vaccine choice, click [here](#) for legislative profile.

**Joe Biden:** Click [here](#) at the 13 minute mark to hear Biden claiming in a 2020 campaign speech that pharmaceutical companies do not receive any liability protection.

**Peter Aaby:** Vaccinologist.

**Dr. Soumya Swaminathan:** Chief Scientist, World Health Organization

**Study:** The Introduction of Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis and Oral Polio Vaccine Among Young Infants in an Urban African Community: A Natural Experiment, Click [here](#) to read.

## **Chapter 20: Leaving Paradise**

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***Vaccinated vs. Unvaccinated Study:*** Dr. Brian Hooker & Neil Miller, click [here](#) to read the study.