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## 500 Australians Join World's First COVID Vaccine Injury Class Action Lawsuit

*Dr. Melissa McCann raised more than \$110,000 to crowdfund the case, which accuses the Australian government of negligence related to the approval and monitoring of COVID-19 vaccines.*

**By [Suzanne Burdick, Ph.D.](#)**

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At least 500 Australians have already joined a “landmark” COVID-19 vaccine injury [class action lawsuit](#) filed this week [against the Australian government](#) and the medicines regulator seeks redress for those allegedly injured or left bereaved by the COVID-19 vaccines.

The suit accuses the [Australian government](#), the country's [Therapeutic Goods Administration](#) (TGA) and [Department of Health and Aged Care](#), and a number of senior public servants of negligence related to the approval and monitoring of [COVID-19](#) vaccines, breach of statutory duty and misfeasance in public office.

The action was filed in the Federal Court of Australia, New South Wales Registry.

[According to the lawsuit](#), the respondents approved the vaccines “with no proper or reasonable evidentiary or logical basis to reasonably determine the Vaccines to be safe, effective and possessing a positive risk-benefit profile.”

[Natalie Strijland](#), the litigator who filed the suit, [said in a statement](#):

“The action will argue that the Therapeutic Goods Administration did not fulfil their duty to properly regulate the Covid-19 vaccines, resulting in considerable harm and damage to Australians.”

The suit alleges the government “acted negligently in approving the vaccines and also by failing to withdraw them” based upon the “known evidence” of risk.

“Australians who have experienced a serious adverse event following Covid-19 vaccination are invited to step forward and register for this class action,” Strijland said.

A spokesperson for the Department of Health and Aged Care said that the department “is aware” of the [lawsuit](#) and that “as the matter is before the court it is not appropriate to comment further.

Class actions provide “a path to justice” for people who may not have the resources to file a court claim on their own, said [Alison Bevege](#), a journalist who has written for Reuters and Daily Mail, in an April 26 Substack post.

Those injured by COVID-19 vaccines have been “ignored, denied, belittled and marginalised,” Bevege added.

### **Australian doctor crowdsourced \$110,000 to bring class action suit**

[Dr. Melissa McCann](#), a general practitioner who also holds a Graduate Certificate of Allergic Diseases, raised more than [\\$110,000 to crowdfund the case](#).

Commenting on the lawsuit, McCann tweeted:

**DrMelissaMcCann**    
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Thank you for sharing this news [@RefugeOfSinner5](#) These injured and bereaved have suffered immense loss, pain and grief. Just as heartbreaking has been the gaslighting and silence, which has left them feeling abandoned. We cannot simply 'move on' from covid and leave them behind.

**RefugeOfSinners (ROS)** [@RefugeOfSinner5](#)

Breaking News.  
A class action has been filed against the (at least)  
The Australian Gov,  
Dr Brendan Murphy and  
Adj Prof John Skerritt  
in the Fed Court of Australia on behalf of the Lead Applicant and other Covid-19 vaccination injured parties to recover compensation for injuries.

3:48 AM · Apr 26, 2023 

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According to McCann, the class action suit was necessary because Australia’s federal vaccine injury compensation program — the [COVID-19 Vaccine Claims Scheme](#) — was “not fit for purpose” and had left many [vaccine-injured Australians](#) “abandoned with no support” after being promised “fair and accessible” compensation.

[Services Australia](#) as of April 12 had received 3,501 applications and paid 137 claims totaling more than \$7.3 million, with 2,263 claims still in progress and 696 deemed not payable, [news.com.au reported](#).

By comparison, the U.S. government, as of April 1, approved its first three payments to [people injured by COVID-19 vaccines](#) — amounting to a total of \$4,634.89. Since the start of the pandemic, Americans claiming injuries related to COVID-19 vaccines and other countermeasures submitted 11,425 [requests for compensation](#).

McCann earlier in February told “crowded halls filled with thousands of Australians” of how TGA and its leadership [concealed fatal vaccine-induced myocarditis](#) from the public, noted [Peter McCullough, M.D., MPH](#), a board-certified cardiologist and internist.

“TGA had determined that several young previously healthy children died of [COVID-19 vaccine-induced myocarditis](#). Redacted letters from the TGA to McCann indicated these facts and an admission of willful concealment,” McCullough said.

### **‘I’d never known what a heart attack would feel like’**

Among those represented in the lawsuit is Melbourne teacher [Gareth O’Gradie](#), a previously healthy father of two who before he got his first Pfizer shot in July 2021, was into running, footy, cricket and tennis.

“Six days after [the vaccination] I had sudden-onset chest pain, shortness of breath, fever, chills, sweats,” he [told World Freedom Alliance](#). “I’d never known what a heart attack would feel like, but that’s the type of thing I expected.”

O’Gradie, 41, was rushed to the hospital, where he was diagnosed with vaccine-induced [pericarditis](#). He said:

“In the end I had open heart surgery to remove the pericardium, which had become inflamed and stuck to my heart. It’s extreme.

“All the heads of different departments, cardiology, rheumatology, cardiothoracic, all had conferences to say, ‘We’ve tried this, what is the next step for this recurrent pericarditis we can’t control the pain for?’ It wasn’t an easy decision.

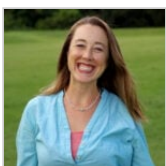
“They said, ‘Nothing’s working — this is what we can offer.’”

O’Gradie — who said he is “[pro-science](#)” and has never been “anti-vaccine” — believes the government provided “[misinformation about the safety](#)” of the vaccines.

“There was a lot of, you know, ‘We need to not scare the public as part of the vaccine rollout, so let’s not publicise these things,’ he [told news.com.au](#). “There was a large, intentional withholding of information — that doesn’t give people informed consent.”

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Harm to the public via the government was never a "mistake", but a pre determined and known "on purpose".

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**GarySummers** → John Smith

2 days ago

**\*\*BREAKING\*\* "Sharing Is Caring"!**

1.) "300 Page Report – "There were two separate Covid lab leaks" in Wuhan..."

<https://nypost.com/2023/04/...>

2.) "China "began stockpiling PPE months before" Covid outbreak"

China also started to buy up global PPE stocks in Europe, Australia and the US around the same time, experts say.

<https://12ft.io/proxy?q=htt...>

3.) Being unconvinced that the virus had started at the Wuhan Wet Market in Dec 2019, the pair began looking for an alternative theory. And after scouring a Customs and Border Protection database which tracks goods entering the US, "they were reported to have noticed that China had started hoarding PPE far earlier than its reported initial date of the outbreak."

"But the DHS's Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction Office declined to investigate their findings" as in the days of the first wave of the pandemic. And then Cal

their finding, saying the drop reflected normal supply fluctuations. And when Col Hoffman contacted one of America's biggest hospital networks, HCA Healthcare, the organization confirmed that the fluctuation was highly unusual.

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**Paul Vonharnish**

→ GarySummers

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Hello Gary Summers and concerned readers: Lawsuits will not stop the ongoing proliferation and release of bio-warfare products into the environment.

Firstly: The "vaccine" product is **not** a vaccine, it is a bio-warfare agent, period.

> See: Biodefense in the Age of Synthetic Biology

National Academies Press (US); June 19, **2018**

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.go...>

Also this:

COVID-19 Vaccines: Proof of Lethality. Over One Thousand Scientific Studies

First published by Global Research on January 21, **2022**

<https://www.globalresearch...>

See pertinent links at the close of the above article.

Secondly: The Wuhan "lab leak" theory is a diversion from the facts. These bio-warfare agents were simultaneously and intentionally released in numerous sites around the world. A naturally occurring "virus" does not event in hundreds of remote locations within just a few weeks of discovery. See: [\\_\\_\\_\\_\\_](#)

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**GarySummers**

→ Paul Vonharnish

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Dr. Naomi Wolf in her Lecture she Explains #34:00 Min Mark Forward, that the Pfizer Jab is a "Bio-Weapon", made by CCP Associated or Proxy Company's, with Pfizer.

Did the CCP release a Mild-Bio-Weapon Wu-Han, to move forward with the real Bio-Weapon the Jab? CCP did not Mandate these Jabs on their own people.

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ABC News Censored RFK. Jr., On Covid, Jabs, and Big Pharma, was it Against the Law?

47 USC 315: Cannot Censor a US Presidential Candidate?

<https://citizenfreepress.co...>

"ABC just Censored" .

@RobertKennedyJr because he called out the Covid shot lies...and the big pharma advertisers don't like that....



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**mcwinaz**

3 days ago

The top 2 countries, hands down, with the most totalitarian response to C19 was Australia and Canada. I've always wanted to visit Australia, but no longer have any desire to do so. However, I am glad that the people there are going to continue to make waves about the now 'long gone' C19 policies and hold the despicable accountable. Here's another guy who is also determined to take down the AU govt for the C19 response. <https://makeaustraliahealth...>

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J

**Jane Doe** → mcwinaz

3 days ago

I'm in Victoria, Australia - our state suffered the worst response in the country so you can imagine how tough that has been. It has amazed me to see how easily people here

were manipulated - I'm no radical rebel, but was just doing what felt right when I lost my job over the mandates. I'm not sure how successful these actions against the government will be. The wider community don't care - they still have their heads in the sand, despite all the evidence that is coming to light, as well as a crumbling health system.

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**GarySummers** → Jane Doe

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1.) "In 2021, Joe Biden's Department of Defense Awarded A Billion Dollar Contract To Peraton To 'Counter Misinformation' By Censoring Social Media Content"

<https://www.nowtheendbegins...>

2.) "Government Corruption, Big Pharma Collusion, Fascism, Sasha Latypova"

Sasha Latypova joins Dr. Ruby today to discuss the extent of government corruption with big pharma companies for vaccine development. Associating it with Department of Defense spending can sidestep usual regulatory oversight. The pre-negotiated contracts and procedures were developed by the US government in collusion with the Department of Defense and big pharma to avoid liability for the vaccine adverse effects and vaccine deaths. Evidence suggests that hundreds of lawyers wrote the contracts for the purposes of avoiding intent to harm and intent crimes.

<https://rumble.com/v2kmrwi...>

3.) "People are losing their Teeth" and dentists say the cause could be Covid

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**CATRYNA49**

→ GarySummers

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As far as the teeth are concerned it could also be among those who were die hard mask wearers. It has been proven, now, that mask wearing can cause sinus and lung infections as well as problems in the mouth. Also, if any of these people were ever on Fluoroquinolones or fluoride based antibiotics that could also be a source of problems with their teeth.

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**GarySummers** → CATRYNA49

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"MASKS!"

"COVIDIOCY: Face masks linked to stillbirths, testicular dysfunction, and cognitive decline due to carbon dioxide buildup"

<https://www.naturalnews.com...>

"Fauci Can't Name Any Study Proving Masks Stop Covid While Under Oath" 'Deposed'

<https://www.binnews.com/alt...>

"New Study Finds Mask Mandate Failed to Reduce COVID Deaths, Hospitalizations, or Cases"

A study published by the Southern Medical Journal and reviewed by the "US Army Institute of Surgical Research" found mask mandates did not reduce COVID transmission or severity in the fourth largest county in Texas.

<https://fee.org/articles/ne...>

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"Tony Fauci Knew That "Remdesivir" Would Kill You" RFK. Jr.

<https://threadreaderapp.com...>

The Company that plans to 'distribute Remdesivir', 'UNITAID', a therapy for Covid#19 'Gates, Soro's and Clintons, Obams, have a Financial Interest'?

One billionaire investor behind UNITAID is 'George Soros' himself . But why stop there? UNITAID is also financed by the 'Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation' and also involves a partnership with the 'Clinton Health Access Initiative' (CHAI). And interestingly enough both UNITAID and Gilead Biosciences 'supported' Hillary Clinton for president in 2016 .

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**Ergellegre** → GarySummers

2 days ago

Go Gary! :)

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**IAmTheWalrus** → mcwinaz

2 days ago

I always had the impression the people in Australia were a bunch of cool bad asses, looks like they are just the opposite.

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**zormpas** → mcwinaz

2 days ago

Funny how British Empire countries reacted like the British always do. Perfidious Albion!

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T

**TP** → zormpas

2 days ago

Whilst I don't disagree with you, the whole operation does seem to emanate from the United States. Behold a white house?

from the United States. Benoid a white house?

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T

**T.Martin** → TP

21 hours ago

I agree because our US govt agencies have had contracts with Moderna and Pfizer before covid for vaccines and the mRNA technology. They own US patents on many things questionable related to covid. The NIH/NIAID receives royalties from Moderna. They just got 400 million in December.

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**John Smith**

3 days ago

And btw, no one is being held personally responsible for this criminal act, and the government cares less about these taxpayer funded lawsuits.

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**Jon** → John Smith

2 days ago

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And btw, no one is being held personally responsible for this criminal act," YET!

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**GarySummers** → Jon

2 days ago

God WILL!

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**Ronald Martono**

→ John Smith

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2 days ago

Indeed, it does not yet look like that there will be pushed much for criminal charges (while there is something happening such as the case in Swiss against Alain Berset) - for this was a global act and we the people still have to come to terms and win this war over the evil spirits, that are in ourselves. No mistake about it, same as Hitler or Stalin regimes, this Covid crime could happen only because of the average John Doe was in fear and was in support of tyranny against their neighbour to save his own ass. These class actions will also not stop but push the real agenda further - when huge compensations will need to be paid by the "state" - govts will simply introduce massive "solidarity taxes" on assets, or maybe right away confiscate assets, as openly prepared for in Germany since Nov 2019 (yes, laws were amended just before plandemic). So the vax damage compensations may become the stepping stone for their "you will own nothing" agenda 2030 that this was all about from the start...

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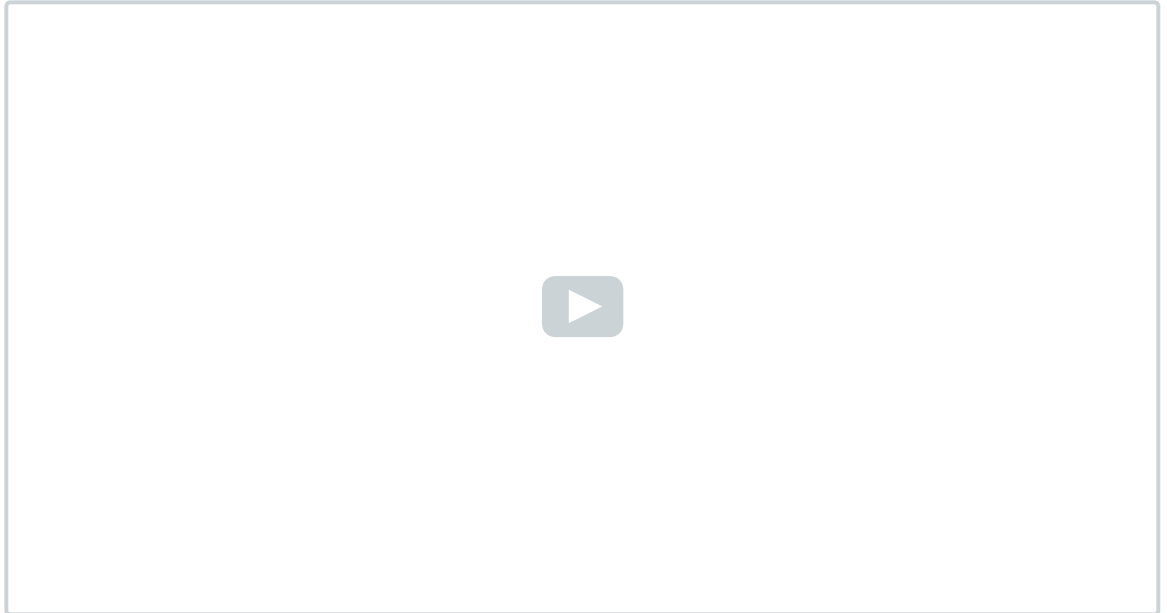
**GarySummers**

→ John Smith

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"Fauci Lied, People Died – Dr .Fauci caught lying to Congress"  
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**CATRYNA49**

→ GarySummers

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Fauci has always been a pathological liar, just like Biden.

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**Paul Vonharnish**

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Some people are just not combustible enough...

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**John Smith**

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Sadly, these Congressional hearings are all nothing but theater and a way for politicians to get their faces on camera for publicity. No one is ever held accountable.

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**GarySummers**

➔ John Smith



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They WILL be Judged before GOD!

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**Krikrit**

3 days ago



Even though the damage from these shots is done I truly hope this lawsuit is successful! Wish we could do this in the US!

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**GarySummers** → Krikrit

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"CLAIM: 'Pfizer BRIBED' over 400 "independent" medical organizations and nonprofits to propagate alleged false narratives about their so-called vaccine"

<https://www.naturalnews.com...>

"Covid, US Govt, and CCP China"

Reading through this report again, I am shocked by the allegations made in this report dated August 13, 2021. This virus has killed millions of people. "All indications are that the US government was directly and extensively involved in creating this virus, in cooperation with the WIV (Wuhan Institute of Virology)".

It is time for more than Congressional and 3-letter agency investigations. It is time that "criminal charges be brought against those who have created and released this virus upon the world".

Furthermore, how can the people of the United States accept that their government has "killed millions of people" in the name of science, and in the name of "public health"? How do the people of the world respond to this?

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**lonerngr88**

3 days ago

"Those injured by COVID-19 vaccines have been "ignored, denied, belittled and marginalised," Welcome to the club! You can say the same about those injured by toxic scented laundry & personal products, EMF's, or gmo foods. Anyone injured by a profitable product will be on their own.

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J

**Judith** → lonerngr88

3 days ago

Oh my God, the laundry dryer sheets!! I have actually taken them out of dryers in my apt. building during drying cycles. Not my clothes! They are horrible!! Ever walk down the street and smell them coming out of home vents? Don't get me started...

Just watched the Dartmouth Table discussion from April 26. Wonderful!!

I hope some lawyers in the USA will pick up the ball and run with a class action lawsuit. So proud of Australia. They have really had it bad.

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**Christina Betts**

→ Judith



2 days ago

The Dryer Sheets! I removed them from my home years ago. When I found out how toxic they are, will never purchase again. When I'm at a gathering, grocery shopping or even walking down the street, I can smell the toxic synthetic smell... so gross!

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**CATRYNA49**

→ Christina Betts



2 days ago

So glad I never used that trash in the dryer or the washer.

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**lakewoodsteve** → Judith

2 days ago

Ridicule is a Godless Saul Alinsky technique! Thanks for the demo, Judith!

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**MOLLY29**

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This was done on purpose ....BigPharma should be dismantled and we need to incorporate natural healing with some of the pharmaceuticals but testing must be done as most pharmaceuticals cause other damage so they can keep people sick and make more depopulate....pure evil. Vaccinations are the biggest medical fraud in the history of



these vaccines should be terminated immediately as they cause nothing but damage to the human health...they stop nothing, they cause everything.

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**FreedomFighter\_JMJ** → MOLLY29

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! Cause the DISEASE, Provide the CURE\$...a big circle of Corrupt POISONicide\$ called Vaccine\$ !!!

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vaccines do some good, or they wouldn't have been able to be put over on the as well as they have. But 'the benefits far outweigh the risks' is pure propaganda, the wide range of risks involved in the subject (too numerous to go into here); would agree that the whole modality needs to be brought up for major scrutiny. In

the meantime, more people need to go to naturopaths/holistic doctors/Complementary Medicine practitioners etc. for their medical advice and treatment, agreed. A shame what has happened to Western medicine. But: Live and learn.





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