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FIRST LAWSUITS FILED IN GROWING USC GYNECOLOGIST SEX ABUSE SCANDAL

Irvine, California - Attorneys representing four former University of Southern California students filed a lawsuit in Los Angeles Superior Court today alleging gross sexual misconduct and sexual assault on the USC campus by Dr. George Tyndall, who served as the only gynecologist at the USC Student Health Center for nearly 30 years. [Click here for lawsuit.](#)

The suit alleges that the University received numerous complaints of Tyndall's sexually abusive behavior, dating back to at least the year 2000, actively and deliberately concealed Tyndall's sexual abuse and continued to allow Tyndall to have unfettered sexual access to the young female USC students in his care; all done to protect USC's reputation and its financial coffers.

Victim's attorney John Manly, a USC alumnus, issued a stern warning to the University, its faculty, staff and students. "It is evident that USC ignored complaints about Dr. Tyndall's alleged systemic sexual misconduct under the guise of legitimate medical treatment for more than two decades and failed to report him to the authorities as required by law. As a result, he had access to thousands of vulnerable young women who trusted USC to provide them with the most sensitive and intimate medical care and he has been allowed to continue practicing medicine in California. It is clear the USC cannot be trusted to investigate itself. Anyone who has information regarding Dr. Tyndall should not report it to USC. They should immediately contact the Los Angeles Police Department Robbery/Homicide-Special Assault Section at (213) 486-6850."

Mr. Manly also said that this case has disturbing similarities to the case against disgraced Michigan State University doctor Larry Nassar who allegedly molested more than 300 women and girls under the guise of performing medical treatments. Mr. Manly was the lead attorney representing victims in that case which resulted in a record breaking settlement by MSU of 500 million dollars last week.

According to the complaint's allegations, Dr. Tyndall used his position of trust and authority to sexually abuse his victims on multiple occasions, including but not limited to: forcing Plaintiffs to strip naked, groping Plaintiffs' breasts, and digitally penetrating Plaintiffs' vaginas under the guise of medical treatment, for no other purpose than to satisfy his own prurient desires.

In 2016, Dr. Tyndall's employment was terminated following an investigation by the USC Office of Equity and Diversity. The report concluded that Dr. Tyndall "had violated the University policy on harassment by making repeated racially discriminatory and sexually inappropriate remarks during patient encounters." The report further concluded Dr. Tyndall's practices of digitally penetrating patients before inserting a speculum was "outdated and not current standard of care." but not criminal.

USC did not inform law enforcement or the state medical board of the complaints against Dr. Tyndall. He was given a cash payout and allowed to "resign." Dr. Tyndall renewed his medical license in January.

In the wake of a series of news reports last week, USC fired two of Tyndall's bosses at the USC Health Center and more than 200 students have contacted a University hotline established to receive complaints and information about Tyndall.

In response to the allegations against him, Dr. Tyndall reportedly said that he was "set up" by women on his clinic staff who were "jealous" because they could not orgasm like his young college patients.

[Manly, Stewart & Finaldi](#) is California's leading law firm representing child victims of sexual abuse. The firm has represented more than 150 victims of clergy sexual abuse in California and hundreds of others throughout the United States. The firm also represented plaintiffs in the \$140,000,000 settlement against LAUSD in the Miramonte case, the largest sex abuse settlement against a School District in the US. The firm currently represents more than 180 alleged victims of former Michigan State University and U.S. Women's Gymnastics Olympic Team doctor Larry Nassar. Michigan State University has settled this case for \$500,000,000. This is the largest settlement of any personal injury case against a University.