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13 LAWSUITS FILED BY MANLY, STEWART & FINALDI IN GROWING USC GYNECOLOGIST SEX ABUSE SCANDAL

“JANE DOE 11” ALLEGES WRITTEN COMPLAINT AGAINST DR. GEORGE TYNDALL IN 1988 WAS IGNORED BY USC

Irvine, California - Attorneys representing former University of Southern California students filed three additional lawsuits against the University of Southern California in Los Angeles Superior Court today alleging gross sexual misconduct and sexual assault on the USC campus by Dr. George Tyndall, a gynecologist at the USC Student Health Center for nearly 30 years. This latest filing follows the filing of four similar lawsuits on May 21st and six lawsuits on May 25th for a total of thirteen. [Click here for lawsuit.](#)

The suit alleges that one woman was abused by Dr. Tyndall in 1988 while he was a research assistant at USC Medical Center. Plaintiff “Jane Doe 11” alleges that she submitted to two gynecological exams by Dr. Tyndall as part of an experimental study. Her complaint states that during the examination Tyndall forced her to “strip completely naked with her breasts fully exposed throughout the entire examination, shoving his ungloved fingers into (her) vagina.”

According to the complaint, Jane Doe 11 lodged a written complaint with USC in November of 1988, stating “I did not understand the doctor’s behavior and language towards me which was startling and offensive, and I left feeling as though I had been molested and mistreated during my exams.”

Jane Doe 11 further alleges that USC never contacted her to follow up on her complaint. In 1989, Dr. Tyndall was hired as a full-time gynecologist at the USC student health center, a post he held until he was quietly allowed to resign in 2017 amid continued complaints of sexual harassment of young female students and abuse of his patients.

Two other plaintiffs in the lawsuit alleged sexual abuse and assault by Tyndall up to 2014.

The suit further alleges that following an internal investigation of complaints against Tyndall in 2016, the University paid Dr. Tyndall a substantial financial settlement so that he would quietly resign and USC could continue to actively conceal the myriad of complaints they had received of Tyndall’s sexually abusive behavior.

Victim's attorney John Manly, a USC alumnus, said, "Why did USC hire a man to provide intimate medical care to vulnerable young women after receiving a credible complaint of molestation by a patient? How could they allow him to continue treating patients for 30 years amid continuous complaints of sexual harassment and abuse? How and why did they allow Dr. Tyndall to quietly retire with a golden parachute without revealing what they knew to the police or the California Medical Board? USC will not give truthful and credible answers to these questions themselves. Independent investigations by law enforcement agencies will be necessary to answer these questions and hold guilty parties accountable."

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.

Since the scandal broke last week, more than 350 students have contacted a University hotline established to receive complaints and information about Tyndall. Victim's attorney Ronald Labriola, a partner in The Senator's (Ret.) Firm has reported that some of his clients who called the hotline received a call back from USC lawyers and risk managers.

Victims of sexual assault need to talk to law enforcement, not lawyers who have been hired to defend their perpetrator's employer," said Mr. Labriola. "Any woman who believes she has been assaulted by Dr. Tyndall or has information about him should not call the USC hotline of the Campus police. They should immediately contact the Los Angeles Police Department Robbery/Homicide-Special Assault Section at (213) 486-6910."

[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.