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**[00:00:05] Del Bigtree**

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**[00:00:44] Jenn Sherry Parry, Executive Producer**

Yeah! Let's do this.

**[00:00:46] Del Bigtree**

Action!

**[00:01:01] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Good morning, good afternoon, good evening. Wherever you are in the world, it's time to step out on the Highwire. Coming to you live from Austin, Texas. I am Jefferey Jaxen, sitting in for Del Bigtree. Well, it's an honor, as always to be in this seat, talking to you, the audience. And I thought, since I'm here, I'm going to pack the show as much information and as many guests as I can possibly handle. Hopefully you can handle it too. You may be asking, Where is Del Bigtree? Well, he is finishing a leg of a European tour showing the film An Inconvenient Study, really sweeping the world at this point, showing behind the scenes look at the VAXXED versus Unvaxxed study. It's received rave reviews and we actually have Del. He had checked in from Europe, actually from the airport, and want to take you to him. Now take a look.

**[00:01:51] Del Bigtree**

Well, it's official, the first leg of the European trip is over. I'm heading back to Austin, Texas. What an amazing week it's been. Last two nights, just outside of Amsterdam. About a thousand people per night. Two nights in a row, packed for the expert panel. Just amazing questions, amazing people. And then of course, before that we were in Guernsey, England, on the island, the most vaccinated place, probably on Earth, like 97% of them got the Covid vaccine. I think the takeaway, what really blew my mind is I found out that the UK, that 30% of them did not get any of the Covid vaccines. That's almost the same as America. In fact, when you look around the world, it looks like 30% rejected the vaccine. Around the world, the largest propaganda campaign there's ever been, 30% around the world just said, hell no, we're not doing it. Now think about that other 70%. How many got it under duress? We're going to lose their jobs or couldn't visit family members. Did we recognize how powerful we are? 30%. 50%. That is a voting body that can change the world. That was my message. It was a serious light bulb that went off while I was on this trip. I'm excited to go back out. I'm talking to people going to Australia, New Zealand, maybe Japan, Iceland. So wherever you are out there, I'll see you soon.

**[00:03:14] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Alright. And if you haven't seen that documentary, you can go to our website. You can watch it for free. Share it to anybody that can listen to this thing. You can see it right here. Over 90,000 plus downloads, 125 million edge requests, 45 million plus owner owned channel views, and then over 110 million global views and counting. Massive, massive. But I want to go from the global perspective to the US perspective here. There's a lot of things happening in this country right now. And one of my starts was around SB 277. This was a bill in California that eliminated religious exemptions for children trying to go to public schools, religious exemption, of course, to vaccines. And what was that? Why was that a big deal? Well, it was the start of something that swept across the nation because after SB 277, which received massive pushback from parents, there was protests, something no legislator has ever seen before as far as the mass mobilization of families and communities against this bill that was really put forward by pharmaceutical lobbied legislators. And you're seeing a lot of a lot of those things happening still to this day. And by 2017, I actually wrote an article, and I was tracking about 134 vaccine related bills at that time, in 2017, in about 35 states. And that was because of the National Vaccine Information Center. They have an advocacy portal, and they were showing what was happening throughout the entire country. And really, if you if you want to talk about what's happening in the country right now, it's now coming to a state near you. Almost every state has vaccine related bills that are being put forward right now. And you can't avoid it if you turn on the news, it looks like this.

**[00:05:00] Male News Correspondent**

Lawmakers are considering new vaccine guidelines.

**[00:05:03] Male News Correspondent**

There are several bills on the religious exemption issue being discussed.

**[00:05:06] Female News Correspondent**

A bill that would ban vaccine mandates for students is moving quickly through the state House.

**[00:05:11] Male News Correspondent**

Iowa lawmakers advanced a bill that would eliminate vaccine requirements for students entering elementary or secondary school.

**[00:05:18] Male News Correspondent**

Health Action Massachusetts met at the statehouse last week, pushing lawmakers to keep the religious exemption for K through 12 students in place.

**[00:05:27] Female News Correspondent**

Current law mandates certain vaccinations unless students are excused for medical or religious reasons.

**[00:05:32] Male News Correspondent**

Medical professionals pushed back, saying repeal of childhood vaccination requirements would threaten the foundation of public health.

**[00:05:39] Male News Correspondent**

I think families should be hesitant. They should want to know what's being put into their child's body.

**[00:05:45] Male News Correspondent**

While supporters of the bill differ over how much they disagree with that. They all contend there should at least be more choice.

**[00:05:55] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

So when it comes to these bills, the first person I thought of to bring on was Nvic Director of advocacy. They have an advocacy portal. They're tracking all these bills. Dawn Richardson, Dawn, thank you so much for joining me today.

**[00:06:08] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Thank you so much for having me.

**[00:06:10] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Alright. So, um, at the beginning of this week, I saw about 500 plus. I think it was 540 vaccine related bills across the country. And then just about a day before the show, you texted and said, it's up to 700 now. So how many bills are happening right now at the state level?

**[00:06:26] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Vaccine related bills? We've got over 700 of them that have been filed and we don't track every single one. Some of them have to do with funding. That's not really, but but we track a lot. We track most of them. We watch them. And the interesting thing is that out of these bills right now, we've got about 54% of the ones we've analyzed that we actually are very supportive and supportive. I mean, aligned with the mission to prevent vaccine injuries and death, promote informed consent, stop vaccine mandates. So about 54% we have support and about 40% were opposed to. And these would be ones like removing exemptions or things like that. So and then we're watching about 6% of them. When we watch a bill, it's because it's opening up an area of code maybe like exemptions. And even if they're doing something else, they might do an amendment. So we're watching them very closely. Now we're down a little bit in the number of support bills compared to 2025, where we had 60% by the end of the year, so down to 54%. And, uh, we also have more opposed bills, but we'll see how things shake out. Some of these were pre filed. We're not going to know for sure where the numbers lie until we get further into session. And some states are still coming online and going into session.

**[00:07:42] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

And Nvic has been around since it started in 82.

**[00:07:45] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Yes.

**[00:07:45] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Oh my God. And you. You created the Information Advocacy Portal in 2010. So this was kind of your baby. So you've been doing this for a very long time and looking kind of looking at the tea leaves here. What does 700 plus bills mean. What do we make of this?

**[00:08:00] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

What we make of it is that legislators have had it with what happened during Covid, and they've had it for a few years now. And then other legislators that really subscribe to the public health mantra, they're reacting and responding, and we'll talk about some of those trends in a minute. But what it really means is we went from about 2% of the population caring about this issue to just about everybody knowing somebody who's reacted to a vaccine, wanting more freedom, being affected by mandates, losing their jobs. So we're mainstream now.

**[00:08:34] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Yeah, that's really good news. And when you say when you're using the word support or oppose, that's basically the bills that Nvic would say because of our mission, this is something that we are aligned with workin with, with this bill.

**[00:08:45] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Exactly, exactly. Now, I'd like to because of everybody watching out there, they might not realize how accessible the legislators are at the state level. They want to hear from you. A lot of these people are in your hometown, business owners or workers there, or they've just been sick and tired of what's going on. So they're wanting to make a difference. Talk to your legislators. You can go to nvic advocacy. Org look on your state page, find out what bills are happening and talk to your legislators about them. I highly recommend that. The other thing that I'll just mention really quickly is that you have the power to change what happens with whose legislature, what legislators are in there. The primaries are happening. Pay attention. Call them. Talk about the bills, the types of changes you want. See what their position is on it. Talk to your friends. Go out and vote because you could have the best bill in the world. But if the committee is stacked with people that want to force Vaccination. It doesn't matter how good the bill is.

**[00:09:43] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

And this is why I want to have you on. Because this is so important. Because the other side, they're hiring lobbying firms, they're hiring PR teams, some of the best in the country to talk to those legislators. So the community needs to really step up here. No matter where you stand on these bills, it's time to make your voice heard, because this is a this is a key moment, and we can't wait for the federal government to do things. In fact, the states, as the US has set up, the states often have more power with a lot of the issues, they're given more power. So this can be a really a leverage point. Now I want to talk about some of these bills you mentioned. One of them was really important, South Carolina what's going on in South Carolina.

**[00:10:19] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

So in South Carolina there was a bill just dropped that would remove the religious exemption for just the MMR vaccine for kids and child care kids in school. And then also it would mandate the MMR vaccine without exemptions for children, for people in college. Now, this was filed because in Spartanburg County, there's been an outbreak about 95% of the cases. South Carolina more than that have occurred in this one county. But what's interesting in that county, they did after a bunch of a little bit of the cases started, they did a huge vaccination push clinics. They vaccinated over 1200 kids aged six months to 11 months. Now, why that's important is for adults and children. Vaccine immunity wanes for children aged seven and up. It's like 35% or 33% of the kids are susceptible to subclinical infections. That means they get the measles, but you can't tell from the symptoms. But the important thing is they can spread it. And then by the time the kids are 15, you're up to like 60%. And then older than that, you know, adults about 30% are actually susceptible to real full blown infections. And so the problem with going and putting all these vaccines out there. First of all, they're live virus. Second of all, about 7% of the kids or so will get a rash and fever. That's meets the clinical definition of measles. So we don't know. They're not they're not advertising that. They're testing and distinguishing between wild type or regular.

**[00:11:56] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

And the story here is in the nuance. This is a highly imperfect vaccine. We've shown this on the show a lot of times. And now you're reflecting this again to just to hear this. But people need to understand that and so do the representatives. This is a vaccine that doesn't stop the subclinical, this spread of subclinical measles.

**[00:12:13] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Exactly, exactly. The vaccine will never it cannot and it will not ever produce herd immunity. That's just the reality. But instead they're deflecting and saying the people who aren't getting the vaccine are the problem. No way that we should be mandating that people put their children at risk for a reaction. And the reactions are substantive. There are a lot of them that in order to prevent these cases, because it can't happen like that. Right. So right.

**[00:12:40] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Right now let's talk about Maryland. I believe there's some bills in Maryland that are coming through as well.

**[00:12:45] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

So yes. So another so obviously we oppose that South Carolina bill. And in Maryland there's a bill that would and this reflects trends. It's going to take the influence on the schedule and give the Maryland Department of Health, um, the head of the Maryland Department of Health, the ability to tap into recommendations from medical trade groups for the vaccine schedule and back away from the influence of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, which you all have covered. They have backed off some of the recommendations. They're also mandating insurance coverage of any vaccine that comes in like that. And they're expanding the ability of pharmacists down to age Seven to be able to for the for the kids down to age seven, to be able to vaccinate for anything that the Maryland Department of Health Secretary says is on the schedule, and they're covering themselves by putting all these medical trade groups that have known conflicts of interest.

**[00:13:49] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

So give me an example of a medical trade group.

**[00:13:51] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Like the American Academy of Pediatrics.

**[00:13:53] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Okay, okay. So these are these are organizations that appear to be kind of medical in a way, but they are trade groups because like you said, they do take money from pharmaceutical companies.

**[00:14:01] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Right. And they also are they're not for the health of your kid or your health. They're they're trade groups are there to advance the business interests of their members. They're due paying their dues, paying members, and that's what they're there for. And obviously removing exemptions and having more mandates is in their interest because then their members make more money.

**[00:14:22] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Right.

**[00:14:22] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

So that's so that's just a blatant conflict of interest. So what a lot of states are doing right now is they are trying to remove the sole influence of the Advisory Committee on Immunization. Immunization practices, and instead insert these trade groups that they can cover themselves and say, well, we're going to stick with this schedule and ignore recommendations from the federal government that are saying the vaccine might not be as safe or effective.

**[00:14:49] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Or the science. Yeah, the science

**[00:14:50] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Yeah from the science

**[00:14:50] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Forward. And now, how does that with the East Coast and West Coast alliances, those are groups of states that that have banded together and said, we're going to completely ignore the federal government and make our own. So we have California, we have Hawaii, we have Oregon on the West. And then, you know, in the East, we have Massachusetts and New York, all these states. How does that work? Do they need bills, or can they just band together and say, we're done with the federal government?

**[00:15:10] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

So some of them have the ability to do this through their regulations, through their rulemaking, but others, depending on how their laws are structured, they have to have a bill. And we have several like this that are trying to decouple ACIP from the situation. And then you've got a situation where you're going to have people being required to get vaccines that are no longer recommended by the federal government, and that's that's concerning. You know, obviously, we want states to be able to do their own thing, but not at the peril of the American public and not to hang on to this ideology of one size fits all, force everybody to get vaccinations. The country wants freedom. They want choice.

**[00:15:53] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

And so, speaking of freedom and choice, that brings us to Arizona, because I know Arizona has been doing has a bill that is basically going to allow no mandates or it's going to stop mandates from businesses and from basically the government on individual citizens in Arizona, which is refreshing after Covid, right?

**[00:16:10] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

It's yeah, both the government and business entities would be prohibited from requiring any Arizona residents to receive a vaccine for any virus or even to wear a face mask or covering. And that's important because sometimes they would use that as a punitive measure for people that didn't take the vaccine. So this really will help customers. It'll help. When you're trying to go in for health, it'll help from your employer. Um, great Bill. And the cool thing is this past the House majority and minority caucus, now it's eligible for House floor votes. So if you're in Arizona, you want to be supporting the Arizona Bills. And these will all be listed on the show notes I guess.

**[00:16:48] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Yeah.

**[00:16:49] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Okay. Great.

**[00:16:49] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Absolutely.

**[00:16:50] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Okay.

**[00:16:50] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Yeah. And you can get those show notes. All you have to do is put your email in, you get the show notes every Monday. All the stuff we're covering. This isn't my opinion. This isn't Dawn's opinion. This is all the facts that we cover. You can get those. You can send it to your legislators. You can send it to your family members. Anything you want. You can get our show notes directly from this computer to your inbox. And so, Iowa, some really interesting stuff going on in Iowa.

**[00:17:10] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Yes, they are going all out repealing all school vaccine requirements. And then so they're also repealing the um, the exemptions obviously, because if you don't have a mandate, you don't need an exemption. So don't panic in Iowa if you hear they're removing exemptions, the bill is also removing the mandates and this has been moving. This already came out of the House Education Committee with a recommendation for passage. So you want to get behind Iowa House file 2171 because that's a big deal.

**[00:17:38] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

That's a big deal. It's kind of a precedent, would you say, as far as states are concerned, not.

**[00:17:42] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

The childhood mandates to remove them? Yes. Yes, absolutely. There's many states that have bills right now that are attempting this, but this is one where the bill is actually moving.

**[00:17:51] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

The high water mark. Okay. And everyone out there as you're listening, listen for your state. If you have things going on, there's stuff going on in most everybody's state. But these are kind of the high water bills that you came to me and said, I really think these are interesting.

**[00:18:02] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Stuff that's moving in the last couple of weeks for interest, kind of like a litmus test of where things are going.

**[00:18:06] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

And I want to talk about Florida a lot going on in Florida. We have Doctor Joe Ladapo coming on the show a little later, Surgeon General, but there's a Florida bill I covered a couple of weeks ago, and it's going to basically make vaccine manufacturers liable, I guess, again, for vaccine injuries. And the caveat to that on this bill is if they advertise in the state. So I'm guessing the the bill, the vaccines I see advertised on TV are the Covid vaccine, flu shot, RSV, HPV. So that's pretty much is there any other vaccines that would fall under that category?

**[00:18:37] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

All of any vaccine would fall under. If the pharmaceutical company advertises in Florida, this would make the company civilly liable for an injury. So it's really a disincentive to advertise because they're not going to just go do it and then be liable. And the great thing is, Texas passed this bill already identical to this in 2025. And so this would be the second state that would do this. And I think it's important because so many of these pharmaceutical advertisements are deceptive. They give you this feeling of safe and effective. And we all know that vaccines are not always safe and effective. So we like this bill because it would stop that one sided promotion and give people who are hurt. A way of recovering some income because the vaccine injury compensation program is so hard to navigate and denies most claims.

**[00:19:28] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Right. And I know Kennedy has his hands full trying to really reformulate that. He has to go to Congress to make any of the big sweeping changes that we really want, that a lot of people really want to that. So the state this shows an appetite at the state level for this ideology, for this change of vaccine injury compensation, and basically to remove this liability exemption that these these companies enjoy. Now I want to talk about we'll talk about weapons of mass destruction. You saw that. So we have Arizona and Tennessee somewhat similar bills. And what are they categorizing as a WMD.

**[00:20:00] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

They're categorizing any mRNA product, which includes vaccines as a weapon of mass destruction, and in Arizona, also a biological agent. And in Arizona, this designates the usage as terrorism.

**[00:20:14] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Terrorism.

**[00:20:15] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

So if you you're you're a little pharmacist given the Covid Vaccine Act of terrorism.

**[00:20:22] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Pharmacists probably aren't going to be taking accepting shipments of Covid vaccines because that's going to be bad.

**[00:20:27] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

But you know, when you think about it, what these states have done, they're not creating weapons of mass destruction legislation. They're going into their existing statute and they're just adding,

**[00:20:38] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Okay,

**[00:20:38] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**  
mRNA vaccines. And when you look at what the definition is, it fits. So here we go. And I think this is a really strong statement from the legislature that we shouldn't be going and using mRNA technology. And we just saw, I think yesterday Moderna lost their application. They got denied their application for an mRNA flu vaccine. Every single vaccine that's out there has an mRNA component in development. And we saw the disaster with the Covid vaccine. So we need to take a pause and say, okay, look, you're going to need to do a lot more work to show safety and efficacy. And I think states that go about and either do this or prohibit the technology outright, not just for yourself, but for the animals and the plants and the foods that you eat. That's another area where we're seeing bells.

**[00:21:30] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Absolutely. And so we're seeing this massive push. So you're seeing kind of the intelligentsia of American lawmaking at work here because people are trying just adding to existing laws. There's a lot of different movements going on. What do you see as the hope for that of all of these, this new legislation?

**[00:21:46] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

We have seen for the last five years the number of support bills increase and increase where there have been more support bills than opposed. And look, when I first started this, maybe we'd have one support bill that passed. You know, I think and it's it's really changed. And it's due to average everyday people talking to their legislators, being respectful and not backing down, even if ideologically they're not with you right now. Because we saw during Covid, a lot of legislators got called by many constituents that they were losing their jobs or that they got sick and they changed their position, they became more open minded. So you always want to be polite, but I have a list of some of the bills that I'm seeing trends with for this session, and I just want to mention them, because if one of them speaks to you, you can go and call your rep and your senator and say, hey, I would like you to cover this, and you know, you can find these bills all on the portal. You can search by topic, and you can also go to your state page and see what's filed and what's moving in your legislature and where it's at, what you need to say, who you need to talk to.

**[00:22:50] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

And this is the NVIC advocacy portal. Here you can just go to your state. You click on your state. Here you get a drop down menu, you find your state. And once you do that, you get the list of all the bills there. And you can see opposed support down the column.

**[00:23:03] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

And then you can click on it and it will give you a lot more detail, including our position statement, a full blown analysis, a summary. So you have every level you can get into it as much or as little as you want. But the cool thing is, when you're logged in at the bottom of the page, it displays for you because you've put your address in and we keep that confidential. But it displays who your rep and your senator are and you click on it, gives all their contact information, social media connections. So you can you can communicate by phone, by email, by web form, tag them on social media, go to their office. You know, you could do any little bit or as much.

**[00:23:38] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

And these people these people work for for you. These people work for us. So don't be shy. Just get out there. Like you said, be respectful. But these are these are topics of our time to get involved with.

**[00:23:48] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Yeah.

**[00:23:48] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

I'd love to hear the trending topics.

**[00:23:50] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Okay, so so far this session starting in January, we've seen prohibiting abuse or neglect claims based on vaccination status, altering the influence the ACIP has in the state vaccine schedules. We talked about that, adding vaccine mandates for pets and adding vaccine tracking for pets. Oh no, there's no market left untapped who they want to stick it to, you know. Okay. Including vaccine records and death records. This is important because a lot of times states will just take infant deaths and classify them as SIDs. But there's not a look into could a vaccine have been related? I've looked into this and seen clustering around two, four and six months of the SIDs deaths, and that wouldn't happen if they weren't related. So this is going to collect data and allow for people to look at these death records and determine if there's vaccination involved.

**[00:24:44] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Which is huge because the vaccine court is actually now ruling. There's been at least two cases just recently where they ruled that the vaccine did cause the death of children and it wasn't SIDs. So this is now a medically proven situation that yes.

**[00:24:56] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

For sure, um, limiting emergency powers and by removing the authority for like the governor or health commissioner to order vaccination as an emergency power, that's important because we kind of lose our rights during an emergency. So states are trying to go back and say, okay, you can do basic control measures, but you don't get to cross the barrier of my skin.

**[00:25:16] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Great.

**[00:25:17] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

We have bills that are removing exemptions. We have bills that are adding exemptions. We require. There's bills that are requiring exemption disclosures. So it's kind of like I call it like a school or daycare shaming bill where it's saying, okay, such a percentage is, you know, has exemptions. And they're doing this sometimes in schools on classroom levels, which could identify your kid. Yeah. Your kid. It's awful. It's creating division and community. So we are very opposed to those shaming bills. Um, also, there are a number of bills we've seen this in parental rights bills in other areas where they're requiring any time that you mention vaccine mandates, that you also have to let parents know that exemptions are available. And that's important. So obviously we'd prefer no mandates. But right now we have exemptions. So we want to preserve the ones that we have and have them be accessible to parents.

**[00:26:09] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

And we've watched them, the health departments go out of their way to let parents not know there is a vaccine exemption on.

**[00:26:15] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Exactly.

**[00:26:15] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

The letters home

**[00:26:16] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

to the marquees in front of the school. No shots, no school.

**[00:26:19] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Yes.

**[00:26:19] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

You know, like that. Um, the federal government, we have a law that requires vaccine injury reporting, but there's no teeth in it. It doesn't it doesn't penalize anybody. So some states are taking that into their own hands and requiring reporting and then adding some penalties, maybe on the licensure of the provider if they're not reporting and such. So to give some teeth. So we get better numbers because vaccine injuries are underreported.

**[00:26:46] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Absolutely.

**[00:26:46] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Um, we have bills requiring written informed consent before vaccination. It would stop a doctor in their tracks. Can't vaccinate until you have written informed consent or a nurse or a pharmacist or whoever.

**[00:26:56] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Right.

**[00:26:56] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Um, we want to also, we are supporting bills that are prohibiting minor consent to vaccination. That was where a child under 18 can go and consent.

**[00:27:07] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

It should. That should be a no brainer. I've been covering this for almost a decade. The minor consent bills are just ridiculous. I mean, and when we were covering it for Washington, D.C., I was watching some of the the conversation of the trade organizations that were testifying. And the legislator said, what age would you think would be appropriate? And they said, any age. We let the doctors decide. So they want no age. That's really their their Christmas gift. They want no age.

**[00:27:30] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

So because more parents are informed and they're making choices and they want to circumvent the parent altogether, they kids want to please authority figures like their like their teachers and whatnot. And so, you know, if there can be very persuasive and then also there's peer pressure. This class, you know, if we get whichever class has the highest vaccine rates, you get a pizza party or something. And so they're putting pressure on kids and subverting parents. We got to stop that. Um, prohibiting any mRNA vaccines from being administered is another class of bills we're seeing and also in the foods we eat. And another thing that really concerns me, because we all know that vaccination is a medical procedure that can cause injury and death, and there's a lot of factors to determining who could be susceptible. But there are many bills that are expanding who can give these vaccines. And there are people who don't have medical training. People like pharmacy techs, even pharmacists, pharmacy techs, and most of the states. I looked it up. You all you have to have is a GED. There's not even a requirement for a biology course. The same thing a medical tech. Now that name sounds really official, but you know how when you go to the doctor and you sit down and somebody comes in and takes some notes and leaves, and they're not medically inclined at all or trained to take your blood. That's that's who they want. Giving shots. Even dental hygienists now are being authorized to give vaccines. And so you're trivializing the seriousness of prescreening, of education on reactions and giving it to people that are not medically qualified. And it's it's really hard to stop that. And I think that's why we really need the bills that are prohibiting the mandates altogether, because you could go anywhere. I mean, I wouldn't even be surprised at some point if we could see self-administered ones. You order them on Amazon. And actually, yeah, like that's probably where we're going.

**[00:29:21] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

And all those weight loss drugs. Well, Dawn, I want to give you the final word here and say thanks for coming. And I really appreciate NVIC advocacy portal. And what would you like to leave the audience with?

**[00:29:32] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

You have the ability to make a difference, but knowledge is power. If you connect with your state groups and with organizations like ours, continue to be educated on The HighWire you can make a difference with your state legislators. I've seen bills get passed or killed on the input of one person, so please know that every voice matters here and you have the ability to make a difference. There are a lot more trends and you can go to the portal, you can read through and you can see. And then you can also register for the portal and you'll get updates and newsletters with some of this information. I really appreciate you having me on and giving me a chance to talk about this.

**[00:30:13] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Absolutely. And everyone should go to this portal. This is one of the most important things you can do right now to be activated in your state. So Dawn, thank you so much.

**[00:30:19] Dawn Richardson, Director of Advocacy for the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC)**

Thank you so much, Jefferey I appreciate it.

**[00:30:22] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Look forward to catching up with you. Alright. We got a great show today. We have Matthew Lysiak, author researcher, and he's going to help me launch this Sunday. Jefferey Jaxen investigates the Great American Food Fight part one is a documentary series I'm very proud about. And you can see it this Sunday world premiere. And we also have a man that needs no introduction, Doctor Joe Ladapo, Surgeon General of Florida. I'm super excited for him coming up at the end of the show, but now it's time for that part of the show, the Jaxen report. Alright. So I want to go back now to Europe, because there's a lot of things happening right now across the EU, the UK. And the best way to really describe this would be the transatlantic free speech wars. That's right Americans, you're in a war right now for the First Amendment, for free speech. It's a hot war. And we saw signs of this. Even in 2024. We are covering this where police chiefs in the UK because they had the Online Safety Act, and that was basically criminalizing hate speech. You can see this headline from 2024. "UK police Commissioner threatens to extradite jail US citizens over online posts." He says we'll come after you okay buddy? Well, in the European Union you also have the Digital Services Act, but the UK is the one that criminalizes it.

**[00:31:51] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

So here's some other headlines. These are just recently now Wall Street Journal "the EU secret assault on your free speech." Here's Reuters "US to fund free speech initiatives in Europe." And now here's another one "Trump official British free speech victims should seek asylum in the US." Those are fighting words. This is a war. Seek asylum from your censorship, from your government, who is basically hunting you for your online posts because it doesn't like the way you talk. Well, that's not very American. Well, how did this happen? This past July, over the summer, we had the House Judiciary Committee with Jim Jordan leading this. He led this investigation over the Digital Services Act, and this is what they released. It was an interim report, how the European Union's Digital Services Act compels global censorship, but also infringes on American free speech. And what they did at that time, because it was an interim report, they subpoenaed big tech companies and said, this is the committee. They said, we want all of your records and communications with the European Union officials, and they received them, and they held a hearing just recently that looks like this. Take a look.

**[00:32:55] Male News Correspondent**

Free speech fight overseas is now landing right here on Capitol Hill. House Judiciary Republicans are probing whether EU and UK digital laws are now pressuring U.S. tech companies to censor their speech.

**[00:33:07] Female Speaker**

The first act of a tyrant is to strip you of your right to speak. And I think that we're seeing that repeatedly in England, in Spain, in France and other countries.

**[00:33:18] Male News Correspondent**

Committee republicans warn a series of European laws are threatening Americans right to speak freely online in the United States. They held a hearing this morning accusing the European Commission of pressuring social media companies to change their content rules.

**[00:33:32] Male Speaker**

It's unmistakable that it has indeed caused the censorship that we warned of

**[00:33:38] Jim Jordan, US Representative, Ohio**

In 2024 the vice president of the European Commission, Vera Jourova, traveled all the way to California to meet with TikTok to discuss U.S. election preparations. Why on earth would the EU travel to California to talk about US elections. The European Commission is trying to censor speech and meddle in elections worldwide.

**[00:33:59] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

So why are they so confident to talk like this? Well, because the House Judiciary Committee just released this report with these subpoenaed emails. It's the "new report exposes European Commission, decade long," a decade long "campaign to censor American speech." It's not just so when people say, what does this have to do with America? These are countries across the Atlantic. This is what it has to do. And this is their executive summary. Take a look. What they said here. "Though often framed as combating so-called hate speech or disinformation, the European Commission worked to censor true information in political speech about some of the most important policy debates in recent history, including the Covid 19 pandemic, mass migration and transgender issues. After ten years, the European Commission has established sufficient control of government online speech, sufficient control of government online speech, they said, comprehensively suppress narratives that threaten the European Commission's Power." How the heck did this happen? When we go to infographic from this report and you can see here even the best intentions. Starting in 2015, we have the internet, the U.S Internet forum. Alright. We'll start a forum and then you can see in 2016 let's, you know, we probably should have a code of conduct just just for hate speech. Just hate speech only. And then you can see how that moves. It just keeps moving. By 2023, the Digital Services Act takes effect.

**[00:35:11] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

By 2025, you have X receiving its first multi-million dollar fines because the Digital Service Act doesn't like the speech. Well, how do we get here? Well, here's some of the emails. These are some internal emails that the House Judiciary Committee uncovered from the European Union officials. These are Google. These are all Google executives talking to themselves. And they say this. They say co-chairs. They're talking about setting up a subgroup. Co-chairs set the agenda under strong impetus from the European Union Commission decisions. European Union Commission decision is taken by consensus. That's in quotations, but consensus can be heavily pressured by the European Commission if they disagree with where it's going. So the European Commission rules with an iron fist there essentially. But then they talk about membership in there. Um, it's not saying should we join it? What do you think we should do? It says European Commission is opening a GA subgroup under the Code of Practice. I assume we want to join in in commas. We don't really have a choice. We don't have a choice. So we want you the mandatory mandatory. Join us and we make the consensus. You everyone else is just here to serve the European Commission. And it goes on further in October of 2020. Again, this was about two years, two months before the Covid vaccine was actually rolled out in the European Union. This is what the heads of the European unions talked about.

**[00:36:36] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Their head officials, they say, as it will be essential in the next stages to pay special attention to the vaccination aspect. Again, the shot wasn't even out yet, He says if you have any relevant updates on your team, on your terms of service or content moderation practices, promotion or demotion, please let us know. It also goes on to say, I want to assure you that I am addressing you, addressing you with the acknowledgment of the Vice President who is cooperating with Redacted and the knowledge of the president. Now, this was to Google, Facebook, Microsoft, all of the big, big tech players. They're saying, get ready, start your censorship machines, because we have an experimental shot coming down the pike, and it's going to get into the European Union Citizens arms. And we want to censor anybody that comes in the way of that agenda. And that is the European Union's Commission. So why is this a big deal? Again, people, this is in Europe. I'm concerned about America. Well, here's YouTube's terms of service and their community guidelines. It says this directly from their website. Youtube's community guidelines are enforced consistently across the globe, regardless of where the content is uploaded. Here's meta Facebook our community standards apply to everyone all around the world and to all types of content. So think about this. The European Commission is setting the standards for censorship, which is a very low bar compared to what we enjoy here in America.

**[00:37:57] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

And the global content platforms are adhering to that. They're bowing to that. That's how the European Union stealth censors Americans, because they can censor it on their platforms, because, you know, they're just following orders from the European Union. Well, something's happening, a nation's first in Wyoming. Here's one of the headlines coming out of Wyoming. "Wyoming bill seeks to stop foreign censorship," the first foreign censorship shield law in history. It just passed. It's now moving through legislature there by a vote of 57 to 5. And it creates a private right of action for Wyoming citizens to sue foreign governments if they try to censorship and sue international organizations if they try to censor private citizens in Wyoming. And let's take a look at this bill. This is HB 0070. And it says this "upon proof, by a preponderance of evidence that a defendant threatened to enforce, attempted to enforce or enforce a foreign censorship law against a plaintiff that someone in Wyoming." It goes on to say "the plaintiff shall award be awarded actual damages and statutory damages of \$1 million per violation." So a Wyoming resident could basically get about \$1 million per violation if they're censored by a foreign government. Think about that. And just just for a cherry on top. The law says they adjusted for inflation.

**[00:39:19] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

So if you're going through the court a little bit and they're they're deflating your monetary purchasing power, this law makes up for that. You get that money back too if you're being censored. So this is this seems like a pretty good idea. Um, there's rumors that this might be reflected also in a federal law. There's been nothing yet that I can see. But Wyoming right now is really, really the standard. And this could be a place, you know, really, you could see big tech like places where, like, Elon Musk could maybe relocate there because you wouldn't have to worry about censorship coming down on his head. But now I want to talk about, you know, censorship in another form. But I want to talk about Bill gates. Now, we all know Bill gates, as I want to paint this picture this way. There's certain industries that have products and there's individuals that represent these industries. Bill gates represents one product, a vaccination product, an injectable product from a pharmaceutical company. Much like, I don't know, Henry Ford represented the automobile for a very long time. And these products cannot be divorced from one another. So Bill gates essentially represents the integrity of the vaccination program. You can't think of a vaccine without thinking about this guy. Why? Because it's been essentially thrown in our face for decades. Take a look.

**[00:40:32] Female News Correspondent**

Genius. Pioneer of the PC age, world's greatest living philanthropist, and a hero to nerds.

**[00:40:40] Female News Correspondent**

You're called a genius.

**[00:40:41] Male News Correspondent**

I don't think it's hyperbole to say that Bill Gates is singularly, I would argue, the most consequential individual of our generation.

**[00:40:48] Male News Correspondent**

I mean, ever since I was a little kid, I've looked up to you like. Like a hero.

**[00:40:51] Bill Gates**

If you like a tissue.

**[00:40:52] Male News Correspondent**

How about a hug?

**[00:40:53] Male News Correspondent**

His organization, of course, is devoted to fighting poverty, disease and inequity and is now, as a result of today's announcement, doubling its spending on those causes to \$200 billion over the next 20 years.

**[00:41:06] Bill Gates**

We helped invent new vaccines, make sure those vaccines are delivered even in the poorest locations.

**[00:41:13] Male News Correspondent**

More than 32 million lives have been saved and hundreds of millions of people have received prevention, treatment and care services for HIV, TB and malaria as a function of the work that he's been doing.

**[00:41:23] Bill Gates**

10 million children under five died in the year 2000. We cut it in half, and we did that by creating very inexpensive vaccines and get them out to all the world's children. We took as our biggest cause saving children's lives. We can do some miraculous things.

**[00:41:44] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Alright, so there you have it. He's celebrated for the vaccine product. He's put on a pedestal because of the vaccine product. Well, Bill gates has a little problem. That problem started in 2008 with a gentleman named Jeffrey Epstein. Here's the headline. In 2008, "New York financier pleads guilty in Florida sex scandal." That's Reuters. Here's another one. "Less than ten years later Jeffrey Epstein, financier charged with sex trafficking minors." What's that have to do with Bill gates? Well, a lot, because Bill gates has chosen to use Jeffrey Epstein. Over the past decade as a close confidant business partner. Let's look at these emails. So there's unfolding. The Department of Justice has released a large tranche of emails. We can look at these here. Looking at this 20 year architecture behind pandemics is a business model. And we're going to start in 2011 with these internal emails that were just released. This is just Stanley. Jess Stanley is the head investment banker, one of the head investment bankers at JP Morgan at the time, and his assistant says this to Jeffrey Epstein in this email. "Hi, Jeffrey. Uh, Jess Staley asked me to pass along these questions from the JP Morgan team that is putting together some ideas for Gates. If there are any you can answer, it would help narrow down options for providing recommendation." So you look at this email and it's actually it's asking Jeffrey Epstein.

**[00:42:59] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Why is J.P. Morgan head banker, asking Jeffrey Epstein about the Gates Foundation and to basically create an investment, uh, an investment product? Well, we're all asking that same question because now we go further into these emails. Jeffrey Epstein replies and says this to Jeff Staley. He says a donor advised fund, it could tie it, or we could tie it initially just to the Gates program. Minimum gift, \$100 million. You go down a little further in this paragraph, he says, Jeffrey Epstein done right. It's \$100 billion in two years. Think about that. Two years, \$100 billion. But then the next line, the tension is making money from a charitable organization. Therefore, the money making part needs to be at arm's length. So he's telling a JPMorgan banker, look, I can make you \$100 billion in two years, but it's going to be under a charitable organization, the Gates Foundation, who I'm apparently speaking on behalf. And we're going to have to keep it outside of that whole charitable thing, because that's going to look really bad for us because we're supposed to be helping the world with vaccines. So let's continue on to this, this investigation through these emails. So we look at another email from Jeffrey Epstein again. Jeff Staley is copied on this, and he's advising this JPMorgan banker about how to approach Bill Gates. He says this, they this I would assume, would be the Gates people, the Gates Foundation. They are very, very sensitive bunch that has spent billions separate from polio.

**[00:44:23] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

There is little that can be held up as a great success. Even polio is not yet finished. Bill is terribly frustrated. He would like to boost some of the things that are working without taking away from those that are not. Then you go to the end line there, he says you would want to allow additional money for vaccines that must be included in the presentation. So cool things on this email. He's saying all these billion dollars that the Gates Foundation has spent, they can't really hold up anything to show that there's a great success, even polio. We're not having a lot of great success with this, with this vaccine product, but we're going to raise a lot of money. And in that money pitch you got to put in, we're going to have a lot of money for vaccines. Bill that speaks to Bill. Okay. So a couple of years later, 2013 here's the big reveal JP Morgan. This is the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation on the letterhead here. J.p. Morgan panel launch of the Global Health Investment Fund. And you can see the attendees here. We have Jamie Dimon from JP Morgan. You have heads of Pfizer, GlaxoSmithKline, everyone jumping in there to make their money there 100,000,000,000 in 2 years from a charitable organization. So again, these guys knew who they were dealing with. This was a sex trafficker.

**[00:45:30] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

This was Jeffrey Epstein, and Bill Gates was working directly with him. In fact, to the point where it was, he was even legally handing over some of his information and some of his legal reins. Jeffrey Epstein, here's a here's a 2013 document. It says, "you" a legal document, "William H. Gates. ("Mr. Gates") has have specifically requested that the undersigned, Jeffrey Epstein, personally serve as a representative of Doctor Boris Nikolic." He was a medical advisor at the Gates Foundation "in discussions and negotiations with Mr. Gates and his representatives and agents regarding all financial, logistical and other matters." So that's interesting. You're you're you're giving a convicted sex trafficker who was known at the time, reins legally to your organization to to do some things. So again, a guy, Bill Gates, who bills himself as saving children is intimately working with Jeffrey Epstein, a notorious, perhaps the most notorious sex trafficker who spent his life destroying children. That's what we're dealing with here, and that is Bill Gates. But, you know, we're all looking through the keyhole of these emails. It's hard. Maybe tell contacts sometimes. So there's only one person who really may know the true story besides Bill gates himself, and that's his wife, Melinda Gates, the person who had her name on the foundation until just recently. Let's take a look at what she had to say about all of the emails that were released.

**[00:46:54] Melinda French Gates, Co-Founder and Former Chair, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Bill Gates Ex-Wife**

Just unbelievable sadness. Unbelievable sadness. Right? Um. And again, I'm able to take my own sadness and look at those young girls and say, My God, how did they. How did that happen to those girls? Right. And so for me, it's just sadness. Sadness for, you know, I've left, I had to I left my marriage. I had to leave my marriage. I wanted to leave my marriage. I had to leave the I felt I needed to eventually leave the foundation, so it's just sad. That's the truth.

**[00:47:30] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

So there you go, a somewhat of a more of an emotional tone to that. But really the corporate side of that are the vaccines as an investment class, scaring people to make a lot of money through pandemics and talking about corruption. I want to speak more about corruption because the American food system has its own issues that are just now starting to be looked at. Um, I did a documentary. We're going to be releasing it this Sunday, February 15th. Jefferey Jaxen investigates the great American food fight. I'm super excited. It's been a long time in the making for this documentary. There's been so much information coming out. This chronicles not only the last century about how we got here, but also the latest up to date information. Take a look.

**[00:48:16] Marty Makary, MDM MPH, Food and Drug Administration Commissioner**

For the last 50 years, American children have increasingly been living in a toxic soup of synthetic chemicals.

**[00:48:23] Vani Hari, Food Activist, Author & Speaker, Founder, Truman, Blog: FoodBabe.com**

Today marks the beginning of restoring the trust at the FDA and our regulatory institutions.

**[00:48:31] Jay Bhattacharya, Director of the National Institute of Health**

Since 2012 the United States has seen no increase in life expectancy.

**[00:48:37] Vani Hari, Food Activist, Author & Speaker, Founder, Truman, Blog: FoodBabe.com**

That's how I was raised on processed food and it was detrimental to my health.

**[00:48:44] Zen Honeycutt, Founder & Executive Director, Moms Across America**

I am a mom and my kids were sick.

**[00:48:46] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

You went from starting a blog to affecting change at multi-billion dollar food corporations chick fil A, subway, Starbucks, Kellogg's, General Mills.

**[00:48:56] Vani Hari, Food Activist, Author & Speaker, Founder, Truman, Blog: FoodBabe.com**

The majority of foods on the grocery store shelf and fast food is dead.

**[00:49:01] Matthew Lysiak, Author, "Fiat Food," Journalist & Former Investigative Reporter**

John Harvey Kellogg invents Kellogg's Corn Flakes. This was literally an anti-masturbolel tool for the church.

**[00:49:08] Vani Hari, Food Activist, Author & Speaker, Founder, Truman, Blog: FoodBabe.com**

You have to look at the ingredients. You have to know what you're eating.

**[00:49:12] Male Speaker**

A teacher came to me the first week and said, I have never, ever had the kids with this amount of attention in the afternoon after lunch.

**[00:49:21] Zen Honeycutt, Founder & Executive Director, Moms Across America**

This is a community issue. Everybody needs to know about GMOs and eat organic and be able to be healthy and to be able to reproduce someday.

**[00:49:29] Matthew Lysiak, Author, "Fiat Food," Journalist & Former Investigative Reporter**

Something is wrong with our food.

**[00:49:31] Zen Honeycutt, Founder & Executive Director, Moms Across America**

I've read a lot of studies about glyphosate and they all do not look good. It kills off everything that it touches.

**[00:49:38] Vani Hari, Food Activist, Author & Speaker, Founder, Truman, Blog: FoodBabe.com**

When Michelle Obama gets on national TV and partners with subway for the "Let's Move" campaign.

**[00:49:45] Michelle Obama, Former First Lady to Former US President Barack Obama**

Subway is stepping up to provide even more healthy choices for our families.

**[00:49:50] Vani Hari, Food Activist, Author & Speaker, Founder, Truman, Blog: FoodBabe.com**

My jaw is on the floor and I'm going, wait a minute, she doesn't even know the truth.

**[00:49:55] Matthew Lysiak, Author, "Fiat Food," Journalist & Former Investigative Reporter**

Something happened in 1971 that flipped all the incentive systems. The most consequential cover up of the last century.

**[00:50:07] Robert Kennedy Jr, HHS Secretary**

We're going to restore gold standard science so we know what's in our food, and we can eliminate it.

**[00:50:23] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Alright. If you want to see that it's Highwire Plus, that's where you'll find it. Released this Sunday, a donation of \$5 or more gets you access to not only the entire documentary series, but our deep dive investigations. You'll be supporting our great legal work. You'll be part of a driving change, a driving historical change that the Highwire has done over the last ten years of our existence. Be a part of that. Check out all our documentaries Inconvenient Study, Great American Food Fight, so many others to check out. Well, one of the people that was an integral part of that documentary is a fellow investigative researcher and journalist author Matthew Leipzig. And I want to bring Matthew on right now to talk about some of the things he's been seeing, and also to give an overview of really what's been going on recently with the food system. There's been so many rapid changes. Take a look at Matthew. Hey, Matt. How you doing?

**[00:51:21] Matthew Lysiak, Author, "Fiat Food," Journalist & Former Investigative Reporter**

Ah, it's so great to be with you, man. Thanks for for having me.

**[00:51:25] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Matt, I want to ask really quick just to bring people up to speed. A quick synopsis. We covered a lot of ground in the documentary, but you did such a deep dive on how the food system has really gotten to where it has. I mean, a lot of funky stuff has happened over the last century to make the food system is corrupt and is I mean, we're poised, as RFK Jr said, we're poisoning kids en masse. We have high chronic, the highest chronic disease in the nation and also in the in the world, in the United States. How do we get there?

**[00:51:59] Matthew Lysiak, Author, "Fiat Food," Journalist & Former Investigative Reporter**

It's been a considered to be a 50 or psyop, um, by large corporations, um, a religious group. But what really pushed everything over the edge was when the government became involved and when they went to Fiat. I know this, this is always a little bit hard for people, but when they bring the currency, one of the big concerns in government was that the food supply would be too expensive. And what really happens every time food supply becomes too expensive is people riot and political upheaval ensues. So beginning in 1971, when Nixon launched the gold standard, this campaign to kind of have a seat like 14th century peasants eating lots of grains and food that you can mass produce on scale, like, I mean, if you if you if you're feeding your kids all day, you don't risk the degradation of the dollar. But the nutrients that we need to thrive as humans like meat, eggs, uh, a lot of the protein we consume that we need has become cost prohibitive. And as the degradation of the dollar increases, my fear is that this trend will continue.

**[00:53:18] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Yeah, yeah. And a little bit of a, um. Yeah, yeah, yeah. Your feed is a little bit choppy here, but I want to ask you just really the food pyramid it's been a lot of people say it's been inverted or now put right side up. But why? Why is that a big deal? How many people are really listening to to the food pyramid anymore? How many people are feeding their kids according to the food pyramid? Why is that such a big symbolic deal?

**[00:53:44] Matthew Lysiak, Author, "Fiat Food," Journalist & Former Investigative Reporter**

You used the word symbolic and that's a great thing to say. But there is this is a real development that I did not think I would have time because these guys, it's like, oh, people think, oh, the government's coming up with another stupid guideline. Well, yeah, they are. But this guideline in particular affects our public schools, our prisons, our nursing homes, hospitals in particular, public school system. So if you grew up in the 90s like I did, it was in this chair that the food guidance was 8 to 12 helpings of grains a day was recommended, which is just a recipe for metabolic destruction. So as a public school student, that was my lunch for for four years of high school and four years of middle school. And, um, for me, it led to some metabolic conditions, this switch and this transition, which it needs some work, it's not great, is extremely consequential, in particular because of how in time it will affect public school lunches.

**[00:54:47] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Right. And when you mentioned public school lunches, they're essentially the largest restaurant chain, if you want to look at that way. If you look at this image here showing up, we have Starbucks, McDonald's, even subway. You add all those together. You still can't beat how many kids are being fed by these public schools. So this is a massive change. And you also mentioned the military. So, uh, Moms Across America. Our friends. Zen Honeycutt. They just released. So it's about the types of food, but also what's in the food. They released some information just recently, a new study showing that the military meals are contaminated with toxic pesticides, banned veterinary drugs, heavy metals, massive contamination going on there. So is this something that in your research you also see is this contamination of food as well. So it's not just about the the lower quality nutritional aspect of food, but you're seeing some contamination.

**[00:55:38] Matthew Lysiak, Author, "Fiat Food," Journalist & Former Investigative Reporter**

Yeah. I mean if you want evidence, go to a public school, watch a watch a soccer game in the year 2026 with little kids, uh, go see a go look in line at Walmart. Everybody's sick. Like, everybody's kind of soft and fat. I mean, the overwhelming amount of people are unhealthy today, and that I don't think you could ask for any more evidence. But one thing I want to caution people about, and I hate to be a bit of a wet blanket, is, uh, there's a lot of celebration about this, this, this change in guidance. And I think Kennedy is doing a fantastic job, but it doesn't address the core, which is that these nutrients that we need to thrive are becoming increasingly cost prohibitive. So if I want to get a ribeye steak or even eggs, raw milk, I am paying through the roof and we're kind of entering this really scary situation. Um, that's caused by money printing where, um, most of America just cannot afford, despite this guidance. So the war of saturated fat is over, and we're saying, stop eating these highly processed foods. I think it's pretty clear. I think basically everybody knows these these things are bad for you. But what do you tell a single mom who is is maybe working a third shift job and she's getting more eggs and cheese and organic steak? It's. It's weird. Yeah. I want to go to Dollar General and she's going to buy processed food.

**[00:57:09] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Right. And I want to bring that because.

**[00:57:10] Matthew Lysiak, Author, "Fiat Food," Journalist & Former Investigative Reporter**

They can't afford it.

**[00:57:11] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

That's the conversation that is really being leveled against Kennedy and the changes. And I'm tracking these narratives across the media. And, you know, the greatest hits are friends at the Atlantic. Here's one of the headlines here. I'll read it to you. "Avoiding ultra processed food is completely unrealistic." And then Politico writes "parents on RFK Junior's advice on sweets also completely unrealistic." New York Times writes. "We shouldn't want to eat like our great great grandparents." They actually say this. They say "many Americans simply don't want or don't have time to cook all their food from scratch." The reason, they say "a task that involves unpaid labor and tends to fall disproportionately on women." So they're they're weaponizing feminism right there to, like, keep poisoning kids. But really, I can read headlines all day. Here's Jasmine, whom who owns an AI protein company, and she was at Davos recently really trying to sell this point. Take a listen to what she had to say. I'd love your comment on this.

**[00:58:04] Jasmin Hume, PHD, Founder and CEO of Shiru**

In the United States. There's been a lot of talk recently from Make America Healthy Again and how we need to take a really close look at some compounds, like synthetic additives and dyes, that have been in the food system for many decades now in the United States, maybe not in other countries that are now coming under scrutiny. It's really, really difficult to be able to do that level of reformulation, and not to mention the regulation that has to happen at the same pace. So if you're taking all these ingredients out of these food products, what are you going to put in in the United States now simultaneously? This is governed by the FDA under the generally regarded as safe the grass process. And um, the administration is evaluating whether we are going to remove the opportunity for private companies to self-regulate ingredients, which has been the case up until now. And so if that's true, there's going to be a deluge of ingredients that have been self approved, self-regulated through the grass process, that are going to need to go into the official grass process. That's going to create a massive backlog in regulatory capabilities and review that I can't even understand or fathom how they're going to get through that. It is going to impact the consumer. The consumer is going to suffer here because the foods are not going to be delivering the nutrition and value that we expect and require. And it's going to injure industry. It's going to injure the planet as well.

**[00:59:34] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

So I guess trying to eat healthy, it's going to injure the planet. It's going to kill polar bears and it's going to hurt children. And that is a takeaway message I got from that. But what did you what do you what's your takeaway from that when you hear that.

**[00:59:49] Matthew Lysiak, Author, "Fiat Food," Journalist & Former Investigative Reporter**

Well first of all, if you would have made me list 30s of her speak, I would have began punching myself in the face. Um, I yeah I Narrative that me me serves as like a thermometer for the earth. It's the science doesn't support it. And I know what she never mentions. She never mentions what's not a priority is like our children. Our green in America are dying. Jefferey, you know this better than anybody else. And this is going to be really difficult for corporations who are poisoning people. But any conversation about these poisons and toxins and prioritize our children over some, um, abstract virtue signaling over the environment that this woman, you know, seems very comfortable espousing, then I don't think we make any progress. But, you know, it's like you were mentioning Politico and The New York Times and these this old journalism, those people are hacks. You know, I worked with the New York Times for, Um, I have good people I know work at Politico, but a lot of these sources that are going to wage war against this, and we found this out, um, recently, they're largely being funded by, by by they're getting government grants in large part. And I'm it doesn't mean that they're not doing good work.

**[01:01:14] Matthew Lysiak, Author, "Fiat Food," Journalist & Former Investigative Reporter**

But like, you want to talk about our food supply and the toxins and how we get to a place where America is healthy again, it's going to begin with what Kennedy is trying to do. But my and I know I sound like I'm getting kind of redundant here, but until these foods become more affordable, until, um, the single mom who's working a third shift job can go and buy meat, eggs, cheese and afford it instead of 99 cent boxes of macaroni and cheese, which is sadly like what's what's happening then I just I don't know if it moves the needle in terms of public schools, but when we're talking about real change, I think we need to call a lot of these poisons poison ivy. Because it's true. Because a lot of the food additives are not fit for consumption by humans. And we all know this. Everybody knows this. It's obvious other countries ban it. And until we stop printing money like proverbial drunken sailors, then it just it's not going to change because the incentive system is all built for us to continue. And actually, I would argue at an accelerated rate by more and more processed foods.

**[01:02:29] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Right, right. Well. Well said. I'd love to have you on a next episode at some point to talk about that. That's a deep dive conversation, but it is at the core of all the stuff we're talking about here. And that is your book, Fiat Food. Um, and thank you for joining me today. Also, thank you for taking the time to join me with the documentary. Again, you play an integral part of that documentary. We're releasing that this Sunday, and I want to I want to tell everybody, go check out Matt's book. Matt, thank you for joining me today.

**[01:02:54] Matthew Lysiak, Author, "Fiat Food," Journalist & Former Investigative Reporter**

Thank you.

**[01:02:55] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Alright. So people may not know, but February is Library lovers month and we have a fun promo going. Check it out.

**[01:03:04] Lee Bigtree, Merchandise Director**

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**[01:03:47] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

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**[01:04:38] Female News Correspondent**

Florida's Make America Healthy Again commission is pushing to improve the safety and integrity of the food supply.

**[01:04:45] Female News Correspondent**

State leaders say the testing is part of an effort to give families more transparency about what's in their food.

**[01:04:51] Female News Correspondent**

Casey DeSantis, backed by husband Governor Ron DeSantis alongside Florida's Surgeon General Joseph Ladapo, announcing test results Friday.

**[01:05:01] Casey DeSantis, First Lady of Florida**

There's a reasonable expectation that our food supply, especially foods marketed to children, should not contain toxic chemicals.

**[01:05:09] Male News Correspondent**

According to the Florida Department of Health. The state tested 24 infant formulas and 16 of them contained at least one heavy metal above federal safety standards.

**[01:05:19] Female News Correspondent**

The Florida Department of Health testing 46 candy products from ten different companies. Finding 28 had elevated levels of arsenic.

**[01:05:29] Female News Correspondent**

Independent testing found glyphosate in several brands, including Nature's Own, Dave's Killer Bread, Wonder Bread, and Sara Lee Honey Wheat.

**[01:05:37] Joseph Ladapo, Florida Surgeon General**

There's been a real substantial increase in chronic disease, autoimmune illness, cancers in young people that we don't have good explanations for, but almost certainly it has something to do with the environments that we live in.

**[01:05:54] Male News Correspondent**

The governor says this is just the beginning. That is part of their Exposing Food Toxins initiative, that they will be independently testing even more products in the near future.

**[01:06:05] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Alright. It is my pleasure to welcome a man that really needs no introduction. Florida Surgeon General, Doctor Joseph Ladapo. Doctor Ladapo, thank you for joining me today.

**[01:06:15] Joseph Ladapo, Florida Surgeon General**

Hey, Jefferey, great to see you.

**[01:06:17] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

How are you? Well, I want to say what you're doing in Florida is amazing. What's been going on in just one month alone. You've been showing what you've been showing. Not only the people in your state, but the nation and the world. You've been giving them the information about what is in their food, the products that we live by, the products that are on our shelves, that our children are eating you. Your initiative. And also governor DeSantis and his wife, Casey DeSantis, first lady, you're building a really a healthier Florida. So I want to just really quickly go over this. And if people haven't seen this yet. So you have you've been looking at baby formula, showing basically some of the toxic metals that are in baby formula. For God's sake. And then the bread. So looking at the glyphosate, I'm imagining no amount of glyphosate is good to have in bread. And then recently, just also the children's candy, you have a bunch of arsenic that's been found in the lab testing for that. And you can see that really just a handful of candy per year is all that children should be having with this arsenic contamination. What what was the impetus to do this? Why did this start? Like what was the idea behind this?

**[01:07:24] Joseph Ladapo, Florida Surgeon General**

Yeah. Well, uh, her initials are C.D. Casey DeSantis. Um, obviously, governor DeSantis has made this possible, along with the other things he's made possible over the years. Certainly everyone. I mean, he will be known forever for his leadership during Covid, when every state except Florida really chose to go a direction that was sensible and actually cared about what matters to people and their ability to live their lives and enjoy their lives. But Casey DeSantis, she's absolutely been the heart of this, and it's been terrific for me to bring my medical education, my scientific background and really work in a very synergistic way with her. As many people know, obviously she's a young woman and she was diagnosed with breast cancer a few years ago as unfortunately, many young people. I mean, it's just completely insane and heartbreaking, all of these cases of cancer in young people, not to mention the other chronic diseases that you know, that parents are dealing with, with their kids and their families and all that's happening. And, you know, I know just listening to her, she's been very public about this. She's asked the question, you know, why did this happen to me? I mean, that's that's always a shocker with something like cancer in a young person. And you know, part of that, that search for answers has led her to some of this work and, and this understanding that that, you know, it's coming from somewhere and, and in our environment, unfortunately, our cells and our bodies are under continuous assault. So she's really been the heart of this. And, you know, and it's been great to work with her. And we've got a lot more work to do, as we all know, as, as you guys have known before, you know, many of us were even in this area.

**[01:09:15] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Yeah, yeah. So have you received any pushback? Let me look at the. Because we love what you're doing. Have you received any pushback or has the administration received any pushback in doing this initiative because it seems so common sense?

**[01:09:29] Joseph Ladapo, Florida Surgeon General**

Yeah, I know. And yet, you know, there are 50 states in the union, but we we haven't had any other states doing it yet. We are actually in conversations with a few other states. And yes, yeah, we've received pushback. I mean, I don't even know where to start with the pushback. For example, I forget the name of the organization, but it's something like the National Confectioners Organization or Association, and they represent the sugar industry. And hey, I've got enough sugar. You know, obviously we we try to limit how much we eat of it because it's not good for us. But, um, but, you know, I'm like, I get it, man. You know, I, you know, Reese's Pieces like the chocolate peanut butter, I get it. You know, I get it. Um, but, uh, but after we released these findings with arsenic and which is? I just want to be very clear, the levels of arsenic we found in common candies. They were 30 to 40 times higher than almost every other type of food out there. I mean, these things are concentrated with arsenic. It's insane. I don't I still don't have an answer for.

**[01:10:34] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

in children's candy

**[01:10:34] Joseph Ladapo, Florida Surgeon General**

Yeah, yeah. I mean, you're I mean, this is your nerds, your Twizzlers, the Laffy Taffy, the Jolly Ranchers. I hate to say it, guys, but the Tootsie Rolls, too. And and this, they released this statement, like, in defense of arsenic. Basically in defense of of the current standards. I mean, it's just. I don't understand it. Um, it's clearly incredibly toxic. And arsenic is special because whereas with a lot of things, you know, the body can really withstand a lot arsenic, there's very little margin. I mean, the epidemiological data shows that it's toxic at very, very low levels. So yes, we've received pushback. Um, also with glyphosate, you know, again, something that I mean, just blows my ability to understand the kind of pushback, like in defense of this stuff. Uh, guys, you know, like, are we playing on the same team here? Um, so yes, there's been there's been pushback.

**[01:11:38] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

And it's interesting. It may not be for you or myself or anybody else to really understand this pushback, the fact that you are putting this initiative forward and governor DeSantis and Casey DeSantis, and you're putting this information out, and these basically always call for what it is, is trade organizations are coming out and defending. It shows their true colors. They no longer can hide it and say, we believe in children's health. They can't say that because if they believe that, they would back what you're doing and they're not. So that speaks volumes to the public. The public can see the public, when presented with accurate information like this, can make their own decisions. A free, informed citizenry. That's all we want. Um, so.

**[01:12:16] Joseph Ladapo, Florida Surgeon General**

Yeah. And we deserve it. Absolutely.

**[01:12:19] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Well, why do you think you mentioned other states? Uh, why do you think other states have not done this? Is it budget? Is this is this really expensive to do? Is that it?

**[01:12:30] Joseph Ladapo, Florida Surgeon General**

Yeah. This is more of a really almost. That's a more almost a philosophical question or it has a philosophical answer. And honestly, you know, I was a professor at UCLA before I was fortunate enough to be appointed to this position as surgeon general, and I never worked kind of full time in government. I, you know, did some stuff with government as a professor in the past. But I'll tell you, having spent time now in government, the answer is depressing. And the answer is that just government, you would think, right. You know, the, the, the, the founders of this, you know, the brilliant men and their wives who, who founded this, this nation, this idea of America. That's just a beautiful, brilliant and really perfect idea. You would think that what what came of that would be something that would really be for the people in terms of serving the interests of the people. And unfortunately, my observation is that that's the exception. I mean, you've got governor DeSantis, who he decided to serve the people, and he got tremendous amounts of flak for it during the Covid 19 pandemic. Unfortunately, most government doesn't serve the people. I mean, they provide services, but in terms of serving the people, unfortunately, that's that's not the type of leadership that you typically find in government. And it's really sad. It's really depressing. Also doesn't have to be that way. But that's that's mostly how it is right now.

**[01:14:01] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

What would you say to people, to the public? Obviously there's a lot of people listening right now. What would you say to the public about how they can change that, how they can change that in their own state? Do you have a takeaway message on that now, being in government and seeing that.

**[01:14:13] Joseph Ladapo, Florida Surgeon General**

That's a great question. I mean, for me, I think that, you know, ultimately all the power comes from the people and I, I don't really I don't know the answer, but I do know that I'm heartened when I see, you know, people at the just the grassroots advocating for what they care about and for what they believe. And I believe that that is the path. And, you know, and there are leaders out there, but it's also a more complicated question because, you know, and I and I've talked about this, I think, on the show before, but I wrote a book about this, but a lot of this has to do also with the sort of the challenges that we, we face as human beings. Stress and tension and how that shows up in what we demand in our lives, and our ability to identify leaders that can actually lead in a way that is consistent with service to the people and to humanity. So it's a bit of a, you know, I think, you know, it's a it's a longer conversation, but it ultimately, I think it starts with work at the people level. I think we have the ability to do that, to produce leaders, to elect leaders that, you know, that really are going to lead in the powerful ways that we need, but we also have responsibilities in order to tap into that power.

**[01:15:34] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

And you embody that in a speech several months ago. It's really swept across the nation from what I saw. And you said you basically said, who am I as a government official to tell you what you can put in your body? I it's not my right to do that. And of course, you're talking about medical mandates. Now, Florida has a medical mandate bill, I would presume, in response to kind of this ideology that the people seem to really want in that state. This is the Medical Freedom Act. I know it's moving through the legislature right now. It's SB 1756. Do you does that accurately portray? I want to be careful with my words here, but how is that does that accurately portray the passion that you had in that speech? And I know you didn't put forward this bill. That's not your job. You basically are. So that would be my question.

**[01:16:25] Joseph Ladapo, Florida Surgeon General**

Yeah. Well, yeah,

**[01:16:27] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

I don't want to get you in trouble

**[01:16:27] Joseph Ladapo, Florida Surgeon General**

Obviously. We should end the interview now. I'm grateful for everything that the lawmakers are doing. We have lawmakers that are representing and really pushing this forward. And, of course, governor DeSantis has made it clear that that he cares, you know, very strongly about medical freedom. I'm grateful for what they're fighting for. You know, when we have that press conference, I think it was in early September. Um, you know, what I said was the truth. Like, know your body comes from God. You know, the government can tax you. You know, the government can, you know, make you follow laws and all that stuff. But your body comes from God, okay? Your body is not the property of government to like to to dictate what you must put in it. I mean, it's not it's not complicated. It's literally just an absolute truth. It would be nice to to see that in law. Somewhere. Anywhere. Including in Florida. Uh, we're not there yet. And and, you know, again, I'm grateful for what the lawmakers are doing. And, you know, I pray and hope. I mean, I think that that is the moral direction. And I pray and hope that every state gets there, including Florida. Um, but I am happy that we're making some some good progress and hopefully we'll get some good strong medical freedom legislation passed that, you know, puts more power in the hands of people and more self-determination in the hands of people and keeps dismantling this notion of of just these, you know, these sort of mostly reckless policies largely related to vaccine policies.

**[01:18:11] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Yeah. Now, I want to I want to just ask one last question here, Joe. Um, there's a lot of hype you've generated through your work at Florida as a surgeon general, you've touched a lot of people. You really you really seem to hit on something that's deep in this country, this notion of medical freedom, of informed consent. And it's it's an idea whose time has come. What are your plans? Do you have any plans when you're done serving in Florida as surgeon general? First of all, when is that and what are you planning to do afterwards? Have you thought about that?

**[01:18:45] Joseph Ladapo, Florida Surgeon General**

Yeah. Well, so the Republican well pardon me, the gubernatorial race is the elections are November, so we will have a new governor in January of 2026. Um, pardon me January of 2027. And, um, you know, I'm not sure what I'll, what I'll be doing. I am a professor at the University of Florida and previously, you know, was a was a tenured professor at UCLA. So I there are there are research projects that I'm actively working on and, and um research submission. So you know, will I continue kind of doing the clinical medicine and and research only? Um, might there be other opportunities? I am open. Um, you know, I'm, I do have a I mean, I feel very comfortable with kind of destiny and whatever direction God wants me to take. And and I think that's going to become clearer, um, as the time approaches. So not not entirely sure what I'll be doing, but, um, you know, I really don't know. I mean, I really don't know. I do hope that, you know, I've been really happy with the work that we've done. I've been very, very happy with the impacts that we've had. There's a lot more that I want to do. And I hope that, you know, no matter what the this type of work keeps happening because we need it to happen. I mean, this this old narrative of all of this backwards stuff and, you know, hidden truths and, and, you know, and the, the, the execution of agendas that are completely for private benefit and not at the expense of public benefit. I mean, that just that old story just needs to die forever. So I can't imagine I won't somehow continue to be engaged in that fight along with other people. Um, we just need to keep fighting every single day until the very end.

**[01:20:38] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Amen to that. So, Doctor Ladapo, keep shining the light of truth and exposing this, exposing these lies and putting transparency so we all can see this. This is this is the fight right now that we're in. And I'm happy to say you're you're one of the people out there that, you know, a lot of people, including myself, really, really look up to you and the work you're doing. So we're all we're all waiting for the next installment of the exposing food toxins. Uh. They're coming out of Florida. We can't wait for it. I don't know what it's going to be. You didn't tell me, but I can't wait. So we'll be watching for that on social media. So thank you so much for joining me and hope to talk to you soon.

**[01:21:19] Joseph Ladapo, Florida Surgeon General**

Alright. Thanks so much, Jefferey.

**[01:21:20] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Alright.

**[01:21:21] Joseph Ladapo, Florida Surgeon General**

Bye.

**[01:21:22] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Alright. So next week on The HighWire, we have an amazing opportunity to host a round table with some of the massive thought leaders in this space. Doctor Ben Tapper, Alex Zeck, Katie Collins. And we're going to talk about something that we've never talked about on this show before. What is it? Can't tell you, but you're going to have to watch next week because it's going to be pretty explosive and it's probably going to cause a little bit of controversy, which we're not strangers to here on The HighWire. So I want to talk about something that we have here on campus, on The HighWire campus here in Austin, Texas, and that is our brick road. These are from our donors, and I walk this brick road. It's an honor to walk this brick road every time we walk to the studio. Um, these are people that have basically donated, and they all have a very personal message on these bricks. I took the time walking to the studio just this morning to just take a moment. This is what it looked like.

**[01:22:22] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Hey, I'm here on the high road and looking at all these bricks, saw my name on one of them and think anybody who ever did this one. Thank you for your courage Del Bigtree Jefferey Jaxen, RFK Jr and Doctor McCullough. It's such an honor to be named next to people like RFK Jr. And I want to thank all the people who made this walk possible. This is such an honor.

**[01:22:46] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

Alright, so here we are. Thank you for staying with us here at The HighWire. Thank you for staying with me as the host. I hope you had a good time. I hope you're taking notes. I hope you're telling your family to watch this show. When? When we clip this out. I really hope you can share these clips of these interviews, because this is really important information. Why? Well, because here at The HighWire, we don't use politics. We don't use emotion to lead our investigation. We use facts and we follow them wherever they lead us, no matter how uncomfortable it becomes. And so, in a world of confirmation bias and echo chambers that we all live in, a lot of us think that our thoughts are our own. We come to our own conclusions. But I'm here to tell you that your thoughts and your beliefs are being guided by things outside of you. This may not be something that's new. This may not be something that you think is happening, but there's an entire book. There's several books on it. But I want to read from one of the books right here. I want to quote from this book, this is called "The Hype Machine." And in this book, it talks about how social media is geared to influence your thoughts and your opinions.

**[01:23:54] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Journalist, The Jaxen Report**

And this is now supercharged in the time we're in here, 2026. And this is what this book says. It says "every minute of every day. Our planet now pulses with trillions of digital social signals bombarding us with streams of status updates, news stories, tweets, pokes, posts, referrals, advertisements, notifications, shares, check ins, ratings from peers and our social networks. News media, advertisers in the crowd. They are routed through the human social network by algorithms designed to optimize our connections, accelerate our interactions, and maximize our engagement with tailored streams of content. These signals are much more transformative. They are hyper socializing our society, scaling mass persuasion, and creating a tyranny of trends. They do this by injecting the influence of our peers into our daily decisions, curating population scale behavior change, and enforcing our attention economy," enforcing our attention economy. That's what we're in right now. Your brain. Social media was designed not to connect you with your friends, not to connect you with your community. It was designed to manipulate your brain by behavioralists, by psychiatrists, by people that know how your brain works. That's how social media was designed. The the the modern attentional environment trains our brain to expect these constant micro rewards. What happens when you stop? What happens when you stop playing this game? When you stop being manipulated, when your beliefs are.

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When you stop letting them give you your beliefs? Well, a study just came out and it showed what happened when people put down their cell phone for 72 hours. The "effects of smartphone restriction." Here's what they said 72 hours. "Time dependent changes were found in reward processing brain regions." The 72 hour "time dependent changes were linked to dopaminergic and serotonergic transmission." So that's your reward system. So that shows the brain has neuroplasticity. The brain can recover. It can rewire very quickly from this micro attentional reward system that we've all been trained, myself included, to, to use through social media. So I want to tell people today's Thursday. Maybe this weekend. Set your phone down for a couple days. Stay off social media. See what happens. See how your brain feels. Or maybe pick up a book and do some investigations. Or maybe just follow the information where it takes you. Instead of letting a social media feed direct what you should believe and what you should follow when it comes to your own deep dive education and investigation. That's what we do here at The HighWire, and I'm challenging you to do that this weekend. Thank you for joining me today. I'm Jefferey Jaxen. This is The HighWire and we'll see you next week.

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