

Navy Administrative Board Unanimously Votes to Retain Officer Who Refused Experimental COVID-19 Vaccine



In a rebuke of the Pentagon, a Navy administrative separation board unanimously voted to retain a naval officer who refused to comply with the military's COVID-19 vaccine mandate requiring all military members receive an experimental vaccine.

A board composed of three Navy officers on May 20, 2022, [found](#) Lt. Bill Moseley did not commit misconduct by refusing to receive a COVID-19 vaccine and unanimously voted to retain him.

A service member who has been in the military for more than six years is entitled to appeal to the board for due process. The [board's recommendation](#) on whether to retain or separate a member of the service is binding.

Mosley has been an officer for 22 years and could have chosen to retire or [request a religious exemption](#) when he was ordered to receive a COVID-19 vaccine. Instead, he decided to take his case to an administrative separation board after learning “the Navy and the other services intended to implement a [blanket denial policy](#).”

Lt. Moseley was represented by attorney R. Davis Younts who successfully argued the order that military members receive an experimental COVID vaccine was not lawful because the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) had not made an approved version of the vaccine available to military members.

Despite claiming [Pfizer’s COMIRNATY](#) and [Modern’s SPIKEVAX](#) COVID vaccines are “fully approved,” these vaccines are actually not available in the U.S. Not a single military member or U.S. citizen has actually received a fully approved COVID-19 vaccine.

According to a [press release](#), when Moseley learned the Navy and other branches intended to implement a blanket denial policy, he consulted legal and medical experts and believed he had an obligation to take a stand on behalf of thousands of enlisted sailors against what he alleges is an unlawful order.

“Although this is only one case of thousands and we have many more clients facing prosecution by the military, we are encouraged that the truth was revealed in this Board, and we hope this ground-breaking case sends a strong message to the Department of Defense,” Younts said in a statement.

On August 23, 2021, the [FDA approved](#) Pfizer’s COVID-19 vaccine named [COMIRNATY](#) for people aged 16 years and older. At the time, vaccine hesitancy was persistent and acting FDA Commissioner Janet Woodcock [said](#) granting full approval to the vaccine might “instill additional confidence” in people to get vaccinated.

But it backfired, fuelling speculation over why there was no

COMIRNATY-labelled vaccine available. Now, nine months have passed and Americans are still being given the experimental Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine under Emergency Use Authorization. Despite what the FDA claims, Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccines contain different buffers and are not the same.

On Jan. 31, the FDA [granted full approval](#) of Moderna's COVID-19 vaccine SPIKEVAX, except the vaccine it approved currently does not exist. The FDA claimed SPIKEVAX is "interchangeable" but "legally distinct," from the "Moderna COVID-19" vaccine in an effort to shield the biotech giant from liability for potential harms caused by its product.

Moderna's COVID-19 vaccine that is currently being administered in the U.S. is still under Emergency Use Authorization.