

# Comprehensive List of U.S. Lawsuits on COVID Vaccines, Mandates and Treatments



Hundreds of lawsuits have been filed since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic over vaccines, mandates, lack of access to inexpensive and effective treatments, natural immunity, informed consent and more. These challenges have been brought in both state and federal courts by attorney generals, individuals and entities seeking to preserve the liberties and individual freedoms of Americans.

Below is a list of lawsuits that have been filed in the United States, along with summaries and links to relevant cases.

## Vaccine Mandate Lawsuits

- [Louisiana v. Becerra](#)

This case challenges the interim final rule adopted by HHS for the federal Head Start Program requiring mandatory COVID vaccines and mask requirements. The rule

was temporarily [blocked](#) on Jan. 1, 2022.

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- [Texas v. U.S. Dept. of Labor](#)

This case challenges the Biden Administration's COVID vaccine or testing mandate for large private employers with more than 100 employees through the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). Stay [was granted](#), then lifted, and an emergency appeal was made to SCOTUS. On Jan. 13, the Supreme Court imposed a stay on OSHA's mandate while this case works its way through the Sixth Circuit.

- [Florida v. Occupational Health and Safety Administration](#)

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- [Texas v. Biden](#)

This case challenges the Biden Administration's COVID vaccine mandate requiring employees of federal contractors get vaccinated against COVID by Dec. 8, 2021 on the grounds that it is "unlawful, unconstitutional and unenforceable."

- [Oklahoma v. Biden](#)

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contractors get vaccinated against COVID by Dec. 8, 2021

- [Oklahoma v. Biden](#)

This case challenges the Department of Defense' COVID vaccine mandate for members of the Oklahoma National Guard and the Oklahoma Air National Guard.

- [Brnovich v. Biden](#)

The state of Arizona, Arizona Attorney General Mark Brnovich, Al Reble, an employee of the U.S. Marshals Service, the Phoenix Law Enforcement Association and United Phoenix Firefighters Association Local 493 sought to prevent Defendants from enforcing two federal vaccination policies: one relating to federal contractors and subcontractors and one relating to federal employees.

- [U.S. Navy Seals 1-26 v. Biden](#)

A group of 35 Navy Special Warfare service members filed a lawsuit challenging the Navy's COVID vaccine mandate on Nov. 9, contending it breached their religious freedom. A temporary injunction was issued on Jan 3. blocking the Pentagon's mandate and Department of Defense(DOD) from disciplining service members who brought the suit.

- [Coker v. Austin](#)

Lawsuit brought by 18 military servicemembers challenging the Aug. 24, 2021, DOD's COVID vaccine mandate and the Aug. 23, 2021 Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) approval of the [Pfizer/BioNTech Comirnaty vaccine](#) and rejection of religious and medical exemptions.

- [Robert v. Austin](#)

Lawsuit filed against the DOD, as documented survivors of COVID, seeking a declaratory judgment that the DoD cannot force them to get vaccinated against COVID under existing military regulations, federal regulations, federal law and the U.S. Constitution.

- [BST Holdings v. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration](#)

This case challenges the Biden Administration's COVID vaccine or testing mandate for large private employers with more than 100 employees through OSHA. Request for an [injunction](#) pending with SCOTUS.

- [Let Them Choose v. San Diego Unified School Dist.](#) (consolidated) [S.V. on behalf of J.D. vs San Diego Unified School District](#)

These lawsuits challenged the COVID vaccine mandate to attend school in San Diego, California, requesting that it be struck down. A judge on Dec. 20, [ruled](#) the mandate was illegal.

- [Kefalas v. Bristol Myers Squibb](#)

Federal lawsuit alleges BMS violated Title VII by “systematically manufacturing” reasons for not providing employees religious exemptions to its COVID vaccine mandate.

- [United KP Freedom Alliance v. Kaiser Permanente](#)

This lawsuit challenged Kaiser Permanente's mandate that all 217,000 of its employees nationwide be vaccinated by Sept. 30, 2021 or be placed on unpaid leave. It further documents Kaiser Permanente's secret hand in controlling U.S. health agencies and promotion of the government's mandate agenda.

- [Ingo Rademacher v. American Broadcasting Companies](#)

Former “General Hospital” star Ingo Rademacher [filed a lawsuit](#) against American Broadcasting Company over the network's refusal to grant a religious exemption to its COVID vaccine requirements. Rademacher, who played Jasper Jacks for almost 25 years, was fired after refusing to get vaccinated.

- [Kane v. de Blasio](#) and [Keil v. The City of New York](#)

Fifteen teachers and school administrators challenged an order issued by the New York City Commissioner of Health and Mental Hygiene mandating that individuals who work in New York City schools be vaccinated against the COVID on religious-freedom grounds.

- [Children's Health Defense v. Rutgers](#)

Children's Health Defense (CHD) and 18 students filed a lawsuit against Rutgers University over its decision to mandate COVID vaccines. The lawsuit alleged Rutgers works with Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson to study and develop their vaccines and benefits financially if more people are required to take the shots.

- [America's Frontline Doctors v. University of Colorado](#)

This lawsuit challenged University of Colorado's COVID vaccine requirements for faculty, staff and students.

- [Klaassan v. The Trustees of Indiana University](#)

Eight Indiana University students sought relief from the school's mandate, citing their rights to bodily autonomy, due process and education free from unnecessary restrictions, and the right to consent to medical treatment.

- [Gold v. Sandoval](#)

This lawsuit challenged the University of Nevada, Reno's COVID vaccine mandate for students.

- [Higley v. California State University](#)

This lawsuit was brought against California State University to prevent their COVID vaccine mandate from being applicable to people who had already had COVID and acquired natural immunity.

- [Rodden v. Fauci](#)

Federal workers with natural immunity to COVID filed a [class-action lawsuit](#) on Nov. 5 against the U.S. government, Dr. Anthony Fauci and members of the Safer Federal Workforce Task Force, and content the federal employee vaccine mandate violates employees' constitutional and statutory rights

- [Aaron Kheriarty, M.D., v. The Regents of the University of California](#)

Suit filed in August, 2021 challenging the constitutionality of the University of California's vaccine mandate on behalf of COVID-recovered individuals, whose natural immunity is equal or superior

to vaccine-mediated immunity.

- [Zywicki v. George Mason University](#)

This lawsuit challenges GMU's COVID vaccine policy applicable to unvaccinated faculty and staff members, including those who could demonstrate naturally-acquired immunity through recovery from a prior COVID infection. On Aug. 17, Prof. Zywicki was granted a medical exemption.

- [America's Frontline Doctors v. Kim Wilcox](#)

This lawsuit challenged the University of California's one-size-fits-all COVID vaccine mandate for students with natural immunity.

- [United Freedom SF Alliance v. City and County of San Francisco](#)

This lawsuit challenged San Francisco's mandatory vaccination policy that prevented people who didn't comply from working.

- [Wade v. Connecticut Board of Trustees](#)

Two UConn students and the parent of a UConn student filed a lawsuit against the university's COVID vaccine mandate. The case was dismissed because two of the three students challenging the mandate received exemptions and the third student declined to ask for one. The judge noted the case raised important questions like why and when the government should condition the right to a public education on a student's right against unwanted medical treatment.

- [Messina v. Coll. of N.J.](#)

On Sept. 27, 2021, Plaintiffs filed a complaint seeking declaratory and injunctive relief from The College of New Jersey's COVID vaccine mandate.

- [Jane Does v. Bd. of Regents of the Univ. of Colo.](#)

Seventeen current and former employees and students at the University of Colorado's Anschutz Medical Campus alleged the school violated their rights by denying their requests for religious exemptions from the University's COVID vaccine mandate.

- [Chyna Andrews et. al v. LaToya Cantrell](#)  
New Orleans' issued a new mandate effective Feb. 1 requiring COVID vaccines and masks to enter bars, restaurants and indoor facilities. Lawsuit is brought by 100 plaintiffs against Mayor LaToya Cantrell, Dr. Jennifer Avegno and the Health Department that Avegno heads.
- [Air Force Officer v. Austin](#)  
A federal judge issued a blistering opinion temporarily prohibiting the Air Force from punishing an officer who objected to receiving a COVID vaccine on [religious grounds](#) and was [denied an exemption](#) to the vaccination requirement.
- [New Yorkers for Religious Liberties, Inc. v. The City of New York](#)  
A motion for a preliminary injunction and temporary restraining order were filed asking a federal district court to intervene and prohibit the enforcement of the mandates while a lawsuit plays out in the Supreme Court.
- [Kane v. de Blasio](#) and [Keil v. NYC](#)  
Attorneys representing New York educators filed on Feb. 8, an emergency appeal to the Supreme Court alleging the New York City Department of Education violated the First Amendment by denying religious exemptions to the COVID vaccine requirement.
- [Corazon de Cristo Cano et. al., v. Biden et. al.](#)  
Lawsuit alleges Biden put away the constitution when he issued two vaccine mandates and usurped the powers of Congress and the states.
- [Austin v. Pritzker](#)  
Lawsuit brought against Pritzker over face mask requirements and vaccine mandates in schools.
- [Duyne and the State of Texas v. CDC](#)  
Attorney General Ken Paxton and Texas Public Policy Foundation on behalf of Congresswoman Beth Van Duyne, [sued the Biden Administration](#) for its illegal mask mandate for airlines and airports.



- [We the Patriots USA, et. al, v. Conneticut Office of Early Childhood Development, et. al.](#)  
This lawsuit seeks to address the harm caused to parents and their children by Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-204a, amended in April 2021 to require parents to choose between educating their children or their religious beliefs.
- [Bridges v. Houston Methodist Hospital](#)  
A federal court in June 2021, rejected arguments by a Texas hospital employee that the hospital's COVID employee vaccine mandate requiring vaccination or termination, was unlawful.
- [Gringer v. Biden](#)  
Plaintiff, Devan Griner, MD brought an action challenging the CMS Interim Final Rule that prohibits him from practicing unless he receives a COVID vaccine. Gringer claims that, by definition, COVID vaccines are treatments,  
<https://thevaultproject.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Comprehensive-Military-Case-list.pdf>ot vaccines.
- [Rudometkin v. Austin](#)  
Four prisoners at the U.S. Disciplinary Barracks in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas filed a complaint on Aug. 17, 2021, based on an alleged proposal to administer a COVID vaccine to inmates within the military corrections system.
- [Robert v. Austin](#)  
Two members of the military stationed in North Carolina filed a complaing on Aug. 17, 2021, on behalf of themselves and others similarly situated in the National Guard and Reserves subject to the DoD's vaccine mandate.
- [Costin v. Biden](#)  
Ten servicemembers in various branches of the military filed a complaint on Sept. 23, 2021, challanging the DoD's COVID vaccine mandate.
- [Church v. Austin](#)  
Eighteen civilians and two active-duty marines filed a

complaint on Oct. 24, 2021. challenging Biden's executive order 14043 and Secretary Austin's August directive involving mandatory COVID vaccines.

- [Guettlein v. Merchant Marine Academy](#)

Six students enrolled in the United States Merchant Marine Academy filed a complaint in Nov. 2021 raising claims related to Austin's directive.

- [Amy Brignall et al v. New York State Unified Court System et al](#)

Over 100 court employees filed an action in New York state court opposing mandatory vaccines for NY Unified Court System employees.

## COVID Treatments

There have been many lawsuits filed in multiple states against facilities for the failure to give rapidly declining patients inexpensive and effective alternative treatments like ivermectin and hydroxychloroquine. We were not able to locate every single lawsuit but the ones we did find case numbers for are listed below.

- [Dr. Paul Marik v. Sentara Health](#)

A top critical care physician filed a lawsuit against Sentara Norfolk General Hospital over its ban on administering life-saving drugs to treat COVID patients. [Motion](#) for temporary injunction [denied](#).

- [Kulbacki v. Kaleida Health](#)

No. 800259/2021 (N.Y. Sup. Ct., Erie Cty., filed Jan. 8, 2021)

Case involved plaintiff's request hospital administer ivermectin after patient's condition rapidly declined. Case dismissed as moot when hospital administration acquiesced. Patient recovered.

- [Dickinson v. Rochester General Hospital](#)

No. 47013/2021 (N.Y. Sup. Ct., Orleans Cty., Jan. 21, 2021)

In a two-page decision, hospital was ordered to “immediately enforce” the patient’s prescription for ivermectin.

- [In re Estate of Nurije Fype](#)

No. 2021P000542 (Ill. Cir. Ct., DuPage Cty., Apr. 30, 2021)

An Illinois court issued an emergency order recognizing the patient’s daughter as the legal guardian, required the patient’s hospital to administer ivermectin in accordance with the patient’s prescription. Hospital appealed but case dismissed as moot because patient recovered and was discharged.

- [Pisano v. Mayo Clinic](#)

This is a lawsuit brought against Mayo Clinic for refusing to allow a a man to be treated with ivermectin.

- [Man Kwan NG v. Edward-Elmhurst Healthcare](#)

An Illinois judge ruled on Nov. 8, 2021 that [a hospital](#) must permit a 71-year-old COVID patient to be treated with ivermectin.

- [Demarco v. Christiana Care Health Services](#)

A court in Delaware was asked to compel a healthcare provider to treat a hospitalized COVID patient with ivermectin. The judge refused to allow the patient to receive Ivermectin.

- [Smith v. West Chester Hospital](#)

A judge in Ohio granted a preliminary injunction permitting the Ivermectin treatment to be used in a hospitalized COVID patient but another judge vacated the order two weeks later.

- [Erin Jones v. Texas Health Huguley, INC.](#)

A Texas appeals court ruled a hospital can’t be forced to treat a COVID patient in its care with ivermectin.

- [Association of American Physicians and Surgeons v. FDA](#)

AAPS [brought this action](#) on behalf of its members and their patients to “end the irrational interference” by the FDA with timely access to hydroxychloroquine from the Strategic National Stockpile.

# COVID Lawsuits

- [Jacobson v. Bassett](#)

This is a lawsuit against New York's racially discriminatory standards for rationing therapeutic treatments for COVID.

- [Informed Consent Action Network v. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Health and Human Services](#)

This [lawsuit](#) was filed against the CDC and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, to force the CDC to produce its V-safe post-licensure vaccine adverse event data to the public.

- [Public Health and Medical Professionals for Transparency v. U.S. Food and Drug Administration](#)

This is a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit brought by medical transparency group when the FDA wanted 76 years to turn over the data it used in the approval of Pfizer's COVID vaccine.

- [American Oversight v. HHS, CDC, CMS and FDA](#)

This lawsuit was filed under the Freedom of Information Act and seeks the release of the agencies' communications with the pharmaceutical company Pfizer regarding a COVID vaccine.

- [Children's Health Defence v. U.S. Food and Drug Administration](#)

On August 31, 2021, CHD filed suit in Federal Court against the FDA and Acting Commissioner, Janet Woodruff seeking vacatur of the August 23, 2021 Licensure of Pfizer's currently unavailable Comirnaty vaccine.

- [America's Frontline Doctors v. Becerra](#)

AFLDS [filed a complaint](#) to stop COVID vaccines for children, and a motion for a TRO in federal court to temporarily halt all "vaccine mandates" on numerous grounds.

- [Booth v. Bowser](#)

CHD and Parental Rights Foundation [filed a lawsuit](#) on

behalf of four parents challenging the D.C. Minor Consent Act as unconstitutional. The Act allows children 11 or older to “consent” to vaccinations, including the Pfizer Bio-NTech COVID vaccine, without their parents’ knowledge or consent.

- [Aviles v. DeBlasio](#)

CHD as an institutional plaintiff, together with parents of schoolchildren, are challenging compulsory PCR testing as an emergency use authorization product that cannot be lawfully mandated.

- [William Ouweleen v. Howard Zucker](#)

This lawsuit challenged the constitutionality of New York’s mask mandate for the unvaccinated only.

- [South Bay United Pentecostal Church v. Newsom](#)

This case challenged Governor Gavin Newsome’s lockdown orders and reopening restrictions under the “Blueprint” framework, placing strict limitations, including closures, on all places of worship in California. Petition for certiorari to SCOTUS was granted, judgment vacated and case remanded to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit for further consideration in light of *Tandon v. Newsom*, on April 26, 2021.

- [Tandon v. Newsom](#)

California was enjoined from enforcing COVID restrictions on private gatherings as applied to applicants’ at-home religious exercise. SCOTUS [held](#) that even though California’s COVID rules limited both secular and religious in-home gatherings to members of three households or less, religious in-home gatherings must be exempted from the limitation because various businesses were not subject to the same limitation.

## **Child custody and COVID vaccines**

- [In Re Emily Raina Hornaday](#)

This is a child custody case in Texas where dad wanted to force 12-year-old child to get vaccinated over the

mother and minor's religious objections. The trial court ruled against the Mother but because the case is significant jurisprudence in the state of Texas, mother could bypass court of appeals. The Texas Supreme Court granted a stay.

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