

Testimony of Brent Fuller

I received the JNJ shot for covid on 10/15/2021. The night of the day after my shot I abruptly awoke in the middle of the night with a racing heart and a whooshing noise in my ears, kind of like a white noise. I over the next days and weeks developed a numbness from my elbows to pinky and ring finger on both sides, had strange headaches – more like numb spots that would come then pass, and the wooshing noise developed into a rather sever tinnitus. (I also at this time developed blind spots in my eyes from aneurysms in my retina but this is not directly tied to the covid shots like these other symptoms are)

All this faded away over the next months except for the tinnitus, which I have sought treatment for at Johns Hopkins, Mercy Medical and UMMS.

The tinnitus has been life changing for the worse, especially at the beginning before I was able to get special hearing aids to help manage the noise my brain/ nerves were generating. Beyond thousands in medical expenses and thousands more I will have to spend over my lifetime the suffering was awful and continues to affect my life. I no longer have peaceful silence in my life. At first I could barely sleep, I would be constantly interrupted from focusing when the ringing would start. The ringing gets to be incredibly loud, imagine a smoke alarm, (always on not on and off) being held right next to your ears like ear muffs. Now imagine you cant turn it off, and that it wakes you up at night while sleeping... or sometimes chirping noises in your ears that are just being imagined by your brain. It is a real challenge to cope with these things. Fortunately for me, with these hearing aids I am able to better manage the severe noises and live closer to a regular life.

In calls with JNJ they confirmed these symptoms are associated with there vaccine (which has now lost EUA, never got approved and millions of doses destroyed due to safety issues). JNJ stated that side effects are why it is critical to consult with your doctor and weigh the risks vs benefits. I did not have this choice, I was subject to the executive order mandating these shots. As I was working for a company (ServiceNow) not the government directly, workers comp turns out to be my only path to recover losses and damages from the shot.

Please consider extending the coverage of workers compensation to include Vaccine injuries, especially related to COVID where mandates were in place. Also please consider adding to the time to file a workers compensation claim based on these damages, sometimes they take longer to manifest, or like me, you think they might go away and don't want to be a person filing a workers comp claim.... And then the problems do not resolve and you have no recourse.

Regards,

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