

Twitter Censored Posts About Natural Immunity and Vaccines After Pressure from Pfizer Board Member

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The latest tranche of emails from the Twitter Files revealed that the social media platform censored posts about natural immunity and the Wuhan coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccines following pressure from a member of Pfizer's board of directors.

An email from Pfizer board member Dr. Scott Gottlieb dated Aug. 27, 2021 was made public by independent journalist Alex Berenson. In the said email, Gottlieb complained to Twitter Senior Manager for Public Policy Todd O'Boyle about a tweet posted by former Adm. Brett Giroir, who reiterated the <u>superiority of natural immunity over vaccines</u>.

"It's now clear COVID-19 natural immunity is superior to vaccine immunity, by [a lot]. There's no scientific justification for [proof of vaccination] is a person had prior infection." Giroir tweeted. He also urged former President Donald Trump and former Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Director Dr. Robert Redfield to "follow the science."

In line with that, Gottlieb wrote to O'Boyle:

"This is the kind of stuff that's corrosive. Here, he draws a sweeping conclusion off a single retrospective study in Israel that hasn't been peer-reviewed. But this tweet will end up going viral and driving news coverage."

The Twitter senior manager then forwarded Gottlieb's email to the Strategic Response team without mentioning him by name, writing: "Please see this report from the former FDA (Food and Drug Administration) commissioner."

According to Berenson, an analyst from the team quickly found that Giroir's tweet did not violate any edicts on "misinformation." Nevertheless, the post was labeled as "misleading" and all its interactions – replies, re-tweets and likes – disabled.

Both Gottlieb and Giroir previously served as FDA commissioner under the Trump administration – Gottlieb from May 2017 to April 2019, and Giroir in an acting capacity from November to December 2019. The two also joined the boards of pharmaceutical firms after their time in government, with Gottlieb joining Pfizer and Giroir becoming the CEO and a board member of Georgia-based Altesa BioSciences.

Gottlieb also complained about other COVID critics

The misleading label and restrictions on Giroir's tweet remain in place as of writing, even though several high-ranking health officials – including former White House COVID-19 Coordinator Dr. Deborah Birx – have since questioned that effectiveness of the vaccines in preventing infections.

Berenson, a former reporter for the *New York Times*, also revealed that Gottlieb complained about a tweet from author Justin Hart. The Pfizer board member's Sept. 3, 2021 grievance centered on Hart's post that said: "Sticks and stones may break my bones, but a viral pathogen with a child mortality rate of [about zero percent] has cost our children nearly three years of schooling."

According to the independent journalist, Gottlieb's complaint about Hart's tweet came at a time when Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine "would soon be approved for children [aged] five to 11." In that instance, however, Twitter refused to act.

Even Berenson himself was included in the people Gottlieb complained about. He divulged this fact <u>during an October 2022 appearance</u> on the *Fox News* program "Tucker Carlson Tonight."

"I was discouraging people from getting the vaccines, which the White House wanted," Berenson told news anchor Tucker Carlson. "And then Gottlieb ... went to Twitter and said, 'This guy is a problem,' and then they banned me. Thus began the final act in a secret months-long conspiracy to suppress my basic American right to free speech." (Related: Alex Berenson says former FDA Commissioner and current Pfizer board member colluded with Twitter to ban him.)

On one hand, Gottlieb responded to the revelations about him flagging Giroir's tweet by claiming that the publication of his email to O'Boyle was a "selective disclosure of his private communications with Twitter." The Pfizer board member continued that the publication of his correspondence had stoked "the threat environment" and "instigated more menacing dialogue, with potentially serious consequences."

On the other hand, Giroir accused the Pfizer director of scheming with Twitter to "apparently put corporate interests first" instead of prioritizing public health.

<u>Censorship.news</u> has more stories about Twitter's censorship.

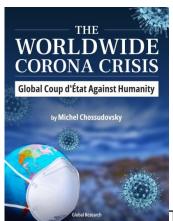
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