Deborah Lipstadt, 
History on Trial: My Day in Court with David Irving

Dr. Deborah E. Lipstadt, Dorot Professor of Modern Jewish History and Holocaust Studies at Emory University, is an award-winning scholar and educator. She has served as historical consultant to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, and she has been a member of the United States State Department Advisory Committee on Religious Freedom Abroad. Among her publications are Denying the Holocaust: The Growing Assault on Truth and Memory, the first full length study of those who attempt to deny the Holocaust, and History on Trial: My Day in Court with a Holocaust Denier. In the latter, Dr. Lipstadt recounts the story of her libel trial in London against David Irving who sued her for calling him a Holocaust denier and right wing extremist. The judge found Irving to be a Holocaust denier, a falsifier of history, a racist, an antisemite, and a liar. Her legal battle lasted approximately five years. In July 2001, the Court of Appeal resoundingly rejected Irving’s attempt to appeal the judgment against him. The trial was described by the Daily Telegraph (London) as having “done for the new century what the Nuremberg tribunals or the Eichmann trial did for earlier generations.” A film based on the book starring Rachel Weisz and Tom Wilkinson “Denial” was released to great acclaim in 2016.

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