



Rebel With a Cause 2019 DAWN MCILMOYLE

Dawn McIlmoyle is an inspirational speaker to end abuse for women and children, and for people in the Military. After a sexual assault in 1992 where she was punished for reporting, Dawn began a courageous battle to expose the sexual assault and inadequate response that was occurring in the Canadian Military.

Appearing on the cover of Maclean's magazine 1998 in an article called Rape in the Military, Dawn along with 12 other women sexually assaulted in the Canadian Military shared their stories for an investigation into the hidden epidemic. The women exposed the systemic mishandling of sexual assault cases, in which senior officers either looked the other way or impeded investigations and the victim's themselves were often punished. Dawn's voice was a leading voice for women to bring light to this hidden epidemic.

Dawn has continued since 1998 to be a passionate speaker. Currently, Dawn is part of a class-action lawsuit filed against the Canadian Military one that alleges discrimination, assault and harassment is widespread among the military ranks to this day to hold the Military accountable. She is also going to appear in a documentary called "An Invisible Force" which advocates for institutional change by bringing forward a critical mass of women who have been sexual victimized in the military.

After suffering various systemic and personal abuses, Dawn shares her story of successes and failures in hopes to affect change in a positive way and empower women to continue to live their dreams despite what they have been through.