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CHAPTER 1

The Shakers of Empires



In the shadowy corridors of the financial world, where power and accountability rarely meet, Hindenburg Research emerged as a relentless force of reckoning. Founded in 2017 by Nathan Anderson, the firm rose from obscurity to global infamy, leaving behind a trail of disrupted empires. Whether it was **Nikola's fraudulent promises, Adani's alleged accounting manipulations, or Icahn Enterprises' questionable practices**, Hindenburg wielded investigative diligence as its weapon, exposing what others sought to hide.

Its most defining moment came in January 2023, when the firm accused the **Adani Group** of “**pulling the largest con in corporate history.**” The resulting fallout was unprecedented: **over \$100 billion in market value wiped away**, political outrage, and international scrutiny. Yet, as much as it thrived on uncovering the truth, the machinery of Hindenburg always seemed destined for self-destruction.

CHAPTER 2

We Built a Family of Assassins

At its heart, Hindenburg was a family of outsiders. Nathan Anderson, a man without Wall Street credentials, built the firm on grit, curiosity, and sheer audacity. Starting with nothing, Anderson faced three lawsuits immediately out of the gate and nearly lost everything before the firm had a chance to take off.

Its team of 11 “ruthless assassins”—as Anderson described them—operated not as mere analysts but as warriors in pursuit of justice. Yet, behind their combative exterior lay a shared intensity and unity, forged by their work and belief in exposing fraud. Anderson admitted that the relentless pursuit of this mission came at great personal cost.

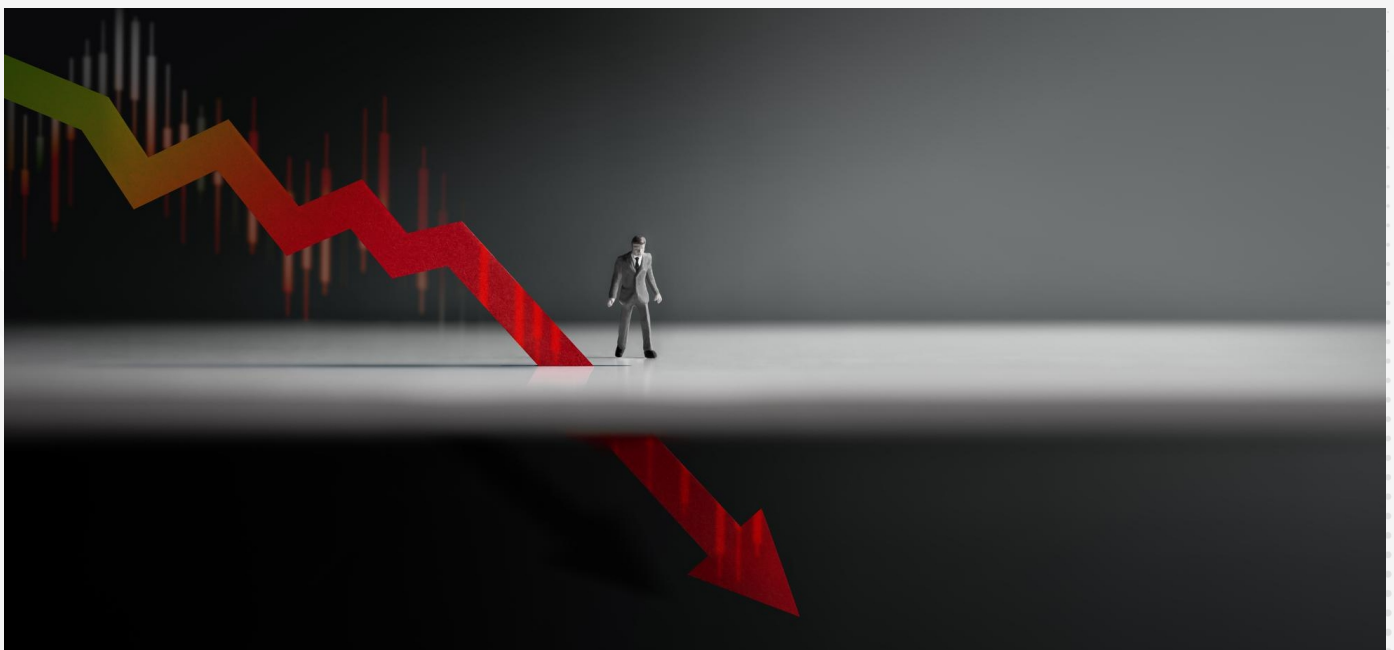
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The Final Chapter

On **January 16, 2025**, Anderson announced the end of Hindenburg Research in a heartfelt letter. He cited no scandal, threat, or health issue but instead pointed to the toll of the work and the need to reclaim parts of his life lost in the pursuit of truth.

“I now view Hindenburg as a chapter in my life, not a central thing that defines me,” he wrote, adding that he intended to open-source the firm's methods to empower others to continue the mission.

The closure, however, invited a storm of speculation. Critics accused Hindenburg of bowing under regulatory pressures or fleeing potential legal consequences. The BJP dismissed the firm's reports as “economic terrorism,” while others alleged ties to financier George Soros and political motives behind its actions. Regardless of the noise, the firm's legacy of disruption remains undeniable.



CHAPTER 4

A Love Letter to the Craft

Below is the complete text of Nathan Anderson's farewell letter, a poignant testament to his journey, struggles, and gratitude:

"As I've shared with family, friends, and our team since late last year, I have made the decision to disband Hindenburg Research. The plan has been to wind up after we finished the pipeline of ideas we were working on. And as of the last Ponzi cases we just completed and are sharing with regulators, that day is today."

"I write this from a place of joy. Building this has been a life's dream. I did not know at the outset if it would be possible to find a fulfilling path. This wasn't an easy option, but I was naïve to the danger and felt drawn to it magnetically."

"When I started this, I doubted I was capable. I didn't have a traditional finance background. None of my relatives are in this field. I went to a state school. I'm not a slick salesperson. I don't know any of the right clothes to wear. I can't play golf. I'm not some superhuman that can function on four hours of sleep. In most of my jobs, I was a good worker but mostly looked over. I had no money when I started—and after catching three lawsuits immediately out of the gate, I quickly had less than no money. I would have failed right at the starting line had it not been for the support of world-class whistleblower lawyer Bryan Wood, who took the cases on despite my lack of financial resources. I had a newborn child and was facing eviction at the time. I was terrified but knew that if I stayed still, I would crumble. The only option I had was to keep moving forward."

“It is very easy to succumb to negative thoughts and believe what others think of you, especially when things feel low. But it is possible to shatter all of that. I was passionate about this, and I let that carry me forward despite my fears and insecurities.”

“And then this slowly started to flourish.”

“One at a time, and without a clear plan, we built a team of 11 incredible people. I hired each of them not because we needed workers but because when our paths crossed and I could see who they were, I realized it was madness not to bring them on. They are all smart, focused, and fun to work with. Little to no ego. When you meet them, they are all very nice and polite. But when it comes to this field, they are ruthless assassins, capable of world-class work. Like me, our team didn't come from traditional finance backgrounds. My first hire often describes himself as a former bartender. We all have a shared view of the world, a mostly calm exterior, and a similar burning underlying intensity. They are all family to me.”

“Over time, people began to see what I hoped we could show—that having an impact is possible, no matter who you are.”

“It wasn't always obvious to me, but I now view all of this as a love story. To my wife, you have been so patient with me. It has not been easy, to put it mildly, and I am forever grateful that you have sacrificed so much and pushed forward with me. And now, my dear, we get to enjoy it together for as long as this world will let us.”

“To my family and friends, I'm sorry for the times I have ignored you while I let my attention be drawn away. I can't wait to have more time to share with you together.”

“Lastly, I want to express how grateful I am to our readers. Your messages of kindness and encouragement through the years have gone a long way to help give us the strength to continue. And it constantly reminds me that the world is filled with good. Thank you for all of it—I couldn't ask for more. It is all a blessing.”

“With unfathomable levels of gratitude, Nate Anderson”

Epilogue

The Legacy Lives On

Hindenburg Research may have disbanded, but its story is far from over. The **nearly 100 civil and criminal charges filed** due to its investigations stand as a testament to its impact. By choosing to open-source its methodology, Anderson has left behind a torch for others to pick up, ensuring that truth, no matter how inconvenient, remains a cornerstone of the financial world.

Hindenburg was more than a firm—it was a revolution.



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