The Last Great Disgrace

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Growing up, I wouldn’t smile at strangers, could sit and read a book for hours, and not

speak at all unless spoken too. Although I hit all of my benchmarks, my mom sensed that

something was off, so she consulted with a behavioral therapist who promptly diagnosed me with

poor hand-eye coordination, a limited vocabulary, and a high probability of having “high

functioning autism.” Fortunately, I was young enough that I could be put into an early

intervention preschool for children who exhibited similar traits. Still, I cannot help but think

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press, the parents, and the petitioners, there was now recourse for those who had been ignored

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