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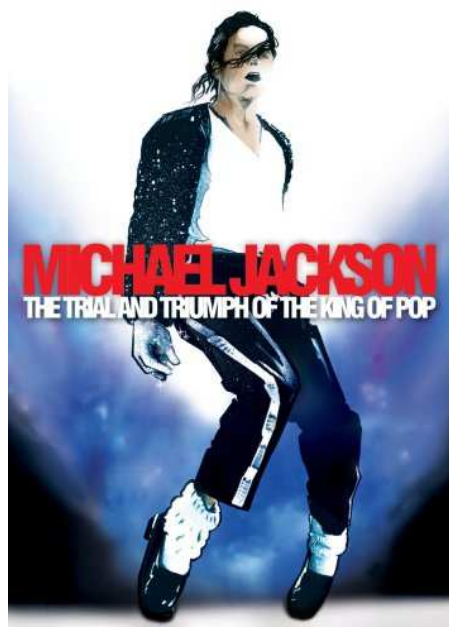
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Michael Jackson was under a gag order during his child molestation trial. *The Trial and Triumph of The King of Pop* is a 76-minute documentary taking a behind the scenes look into the King of Pop's trial.

There was much protest and media attention toward this case. Throughout this documentary, there is little investigative documentary footage. *The Trial and Triumph of The King of Pop* had very little interesting footage, much of which was interviews with random fans outside of the courtroom. As a matter of fact, there was less than five minutes of actual video footage of Mr. Jackson. The rest of the b-roll of Michael Jackson was pictures. I did respect the fact that the director, Pearl Jr., filmed a home video behind the scenes look. That really separates this movie from other documentaries done today. There could've been much more content including collecting video footage and solid interviews.



However with that said, this documentary did tell the audience something that the media failed to. Those in the courtroom tell the facts of the case. In addition, the interview and information about Jackson's attorney, Tom Meserau, was rather interesting. It seemed as if Michael Jackson lost a lot of credit among his music industry colleagues, but that was not the case during this DVD. During his darkest hour, celebrities such as Kanye West, Billy

Gibbons, and ZZ Top were by Michael Jackson's side. These celebrities appeared more as shout outs than solid interviews.






Although I'm glad that I saw this, the documentary leaves a lot to be desired. If you're expecting a commentary on the actual facts and testimony from the court case, this is not what you're looking for. Most of the documentary covered fans outside of the courthouse; back and forth between those



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