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## **Statement of Gloria Allred**

This morning I filed a lawsuit in Los Angeles County Superior Court on behalf of a young woman who shall be known as Jane Doe against singer, Chris Brown, his friend, Lowell Grissom Jr., and others.

The lawsuit alleges that on or about February 23, 2017 and into the early morning hours of February 24, 2017, our client, the plaintiff in this case, attended a concert at a venue called One Oak.

At some point, according to our lawsuit, our client was invited to attend an "after party" at a recording studio to meet defendant Grissom (A.K.A. "Young Lo") and defendant Chris Brown. When she arrived at the studio, her phone was taken away from her. She was told that Brown did not want anyone to have their phones in the studio.

The lawsuit further alleges that our client wanted to leave and asked for her phone to be returned to her but that Grissom refused to return her phone and told her that she did not need it because the group was moving to Brown's home.

Our client alleges in the lawsuit that she was forced to go to Brown's home because she perceived that she would only be able to retrieve her phone there.

The lawsuit alleges as follows:

At Brown's house, Brown provided alcohol and illicit drugs to his guests and/or the guests consumed drugs that they carried onto the premises. Plaintiff believes that the drugs Brown provided to his guests or that were brought by his guests were or included cocaine, "Molly," and marijuana. (Pg. 4, Para. 18)

Brown handed each female guest, including Plaintiff, a clear pill filled with white powder and instructed them to take it to have a "good time." Plaintiff, did not follow these instructions and declined to consume the pill(s). (Pg. 4, Para.19)

While hardcore "partying" took place in Brown's house, Plaintiff sat in a room near the dining area/kitchen, isolating herself from other guests and partiers, hoping that Brown and the other partiers would leave her alone. Plaintiff became scared and intimidated when she saw Brown and Grissom in possession of multiple guns in the house. Plaintiff also felt intimidated by the aggressive behavior of some of Brown's guests and the general atmosphere at Brown's house. (Pg. 4-5, Para. 20)

Meanwhile, Plaintiff's mother, who had lost contact with Plaintiff due to the confiscation of Plaintiff's phone by Defendants, grew increasingly concerned for the Plaintiff's well-being. She used software to track Plaintiff's phone to Brown's home and called the police to go to that location to search for her daughter. (Pg. 5, Para. 21)

Plaintiff observed that when the police arrived at Brown's house, Brown refused to open the gate and denied the police access onto his property. Brown also ordered Grissom and others to hide a duffel bag filled with guns. When Plaintiff saw that Brown was defiant to even the police, Plaintiff became even more afraid. (Pg. 5, Para. 22)

After the police left the area, Brown continued to supply his guests with drugs and alcohol. Plaintiff observed him carrying one gun in his waistband and brandishing it openly. She saw him wave it in the air, which further frightened and intimidated Plaintiff. Whenever Plaintiff asked Grissom to return her phone, he was evasive and failed to return it to her. (Pg. 5, Para. 23)

The lawsuit alleges that while she was at Brown's house plaintiff became the victim of horrific sexual assaults which are described in our lawsuit.

That is why we have filed this case today alleging sexual battery, gender violence, a violation of Ralphs Civil Rights Act, battery, assault, interference with the exercise of civil rights, intentional infliction of emotional distress and negligence.

We are seeking general and punitive damages according to proof at trial.

This is one of the most horrific cases involving alleged sexual assaults that I have ever seen, and our client, Jane Doe, has been severely traumatized by what she was forced to suffer.

She filed this lawsuit because she wants justice for herself, but she also wants to warn other young women about the potential danger to themselves if they have their phone taken away and if they go to Chris Brown's house.

She does not want any other young woman to endure the violent sexual assaults that she was forced to endure in an environment of guns and drugs.

We look forward to our client having the opportunity to have her day in court. We want to hold accountable those who were responsible for the gender violence inflicted upon her.

Gloria Allred Attorney at Law Representing Jane Doe May 9, 2018