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Gloria Allred's Response to Bill Cosby's Lawyer's Attack on Gloria Allred

Mr. Cosby appears desperate. With his latest pathetic attack on me, he unsuccessfully tries to portray himself as a victim rather than as a defendant in a criminal case accused of aggravated indecent sexual assault.

This latest tactic will not work. He complains about racial bias but what about the African American women whom I represent who accuse him of sexual assault or rape and who refuse to remain silent about what they say they have suffered? I think they deserve a voice and I am proud to represent them. This is not an issue of racial bias. Instead, it is an issue of whether or not Mr. Cosby has committed acts of gender sexual violence.

Mr. Cosby also complains that there has been no trial and no jury based on these accusations. If that is the case, then why has he waged a legal battle to prevent the criminal case in Pennsylvania from going to trial? I challenge him not only to go to trial on that case, but to invite many of those who have made accusations against him to testify at that trial.

I also invite him to agree that accusers may file civil cases against him and that he will not assert the statute of limitations as a defense if they do. Then there can be a civil trial and a jury can decide who should prevail.

I invited him to do that a long time ago and his lawyers rejected that challenge, but it is not too late for Cosby to change his mind and accept it.

Mr. Cosby stated that he is not giving up the fight for his rights and I can assure him that I will continue to fight to protect my clients and their rights. Victims deserve justice and I am honored to represent them.

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