## Crowd applauds Harvey Weinstein's victims as they leave court

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Harvey Weinstein's emotional victims were cheered and clapped as they hugged while leaving court — where prosecutors say they "took down a predator and put him behind bars."

Miriam "Mimi" Haleyi — on whom the Hollywood powerbroker forced oral sex — was hugged by Tarale Wulff, one of the brave accusers who <u>testified during the trial</u> despite her rape not being part of the charges.

Jessica Mann, who bravely told of her 2013 rape, smiled broadly as she walked out hand-in-hand with other accusers, including actress Rosie Perez, to cheers after seeing rapist Weinstein get 23 years in prison.

"Each and every one of my clients ... were all crying," attorney Gloria Allred said about the court proceedings, holding up a sign with "20 + 3" scrawled on it once outside court.

"This is what justice looks like. It was very emotional."

She called it a "new day" that fired a warning shot for those accused in the #MeToo movement.

"For the predators who are going to wake up in fear tomorrow and say, 'Are they coming for me next?,' my answer is ... probably yes," Allred said.

Wulff said the hefty sentence was "the first time I can say I feel a sense of happiness."

"I feel joyous with what Judge Burke decided and I'm grateful to the jurors," she said.

"I hope the sentence sends a clear message that times have changed. This is only just the beginning and the conversation must continue," she said of the #MeToo movement that Weinstein's attacks started.

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Manhattan District Attorney Cy Vance thanked the court for "imposing a sentence that puts sexual predators and abusive partners in all segments of society on notice."

"We thank the survivors for their remarkable statements today and incredible courage over the last two years," Vance said in a statement.

"Harvey Weinstein deployed nothing less than an army of spies to keep them silent.

"But they refused to be silent, and they were heard.

"Their words took down a predator and put him behind bars, and gave hope to survivors of sexual violence across the world."