

Two women file a class action lawsuit against Uber after being 'raped by drivers' as they claim thousands of females have endured violence using the ride-sharing service

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Two women have filed a class action lawsuit against [Uber](#) claiming they have been raped and attacked by drivers.

The women from [Florida](#) and [California](#), who have not been identified in the lawsuit filed Tuesday in San Francisco, say they were both sexually assaulted by Uber drivers who gave them rides home.

The lawsuit goes on to allege that 'thousands' of female passengers have been subjected to 'rape, sexual assault, physical violence and gender-motivated harassment' while using the ride-sharing service.

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The woman from Florida alleges she was raped by her Uber driver after she went for dinner with friends in Miami in October 2016.

She and a girlfriend, who had both been drinking alcohol at dinner, were picked up from a restaurant by Uber driver Nimer Abdallah and taken back to her house 20 minutes away.

The victim was barely conscious when they returned home so Abdallah put her over his shoulder and carried her up to her sixth floor apartment, according to the lawsuit.

He then allegedly carried her into the bedroom before her friend saw him lying on top of the victim and kissing her. The lawsuit says the friend was so terrified she locked herself in the bathroom and passed out.

The victim woke up the next morning she was not wearing underwear and found vaginal discharge and semen stains on her comforter.

She reported the incident to police and they charged Abdallah with two counts of sexual battery. His case is still pending.

The victim says she contacted Uber but they have not confirmed if Abdallah has been deactivated from driving for Uber, the suit says. The company did offer to refund her the \$9.51 ride.

The other victim, who lives in Los Angeles, alleges she was attacked after drinking at a restaurant with friends in January 2017.

She was picked up by an Uber driver known as Miguel before she fell asleep in the backseat.

'When she awakened, to her horror, (the victim) saw that Miguel was in the backseat and his mouth was on her vulva,' the suit says.

The driver later followed her into her home and 'forced her to engage in intercourse against her will and then left.'

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The two women at the center of the class action lawsuit claim that inadequate driver background checks and monitoring has left them and thousands of others vulnerable to sexual assault.

The lawsuit alleges that Uber markets to young women traveling alone and puts profits over their safety.

It seeks safety measures including driver background checks using fingerprints and a panic button for the Uber app that alerts the company and police.

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Jeanne M. Christensen, one of the attorneys with Wigdor LLP who filed the lawsuit, called on Uber to reveal how many reports it has received about sexual assaults and harassment.

'The company must come forward with information about how many reports it has received about rapes, sexual assaults, and gender-motivated harassment to allow consumers to assess whether Uber really does provide safe rides, especially to women,' she said in a statement.

'Uber must make drastic changes to prevent another female rider from harm.'