<u>Statement of attorney Gloria Allred regarding plea of guilty by Cuba Gooding, Jr.</u> <u>in the criminal case in New York</u>

Today Cuba Gooding, Jr. entered a plea of guilty to Forcible Touching (a misdemeanor) at a nightclub in New York in 2018. The prosecutor also indicated in a press statement that Mr. Gooding admitted to "subjecting two other women to non-consensual physical contact in October 2018 and June 2019."

It has been reported that more than 19 women came forward and made allegations against Mr. Gooding and that many were willing to testify as Molineux (prior bad-act witnesses) in this case. I represented at least three of the women who were willing to testify as Molineux witnesses.

Unfortunately, however, the judge refused to allow the testimony of any of the Molineux witnesses, which the prosecutor wanted to be able to call as witnesses if this case went to trial. That was a significant setback for the prosecution.

Justice was significantly delayed in this case for many reasons, and I do not feel that justice was achieved today with the entry of this plea, although I do understand why under the circumstances that the prosecution offered a plea.

My law firm and New York attorney, Casey Wolnowski, will continue to litigate our civil case against Cuba Gooding, Jr. in Federal court in New York on behalf of our brave client (aka Jane Doe) who alleges in her lawsuit that Cuba Gooding, Jr. committed an act of gender violence against her.

We look forward to achieving a just result in this lawsuit that we have filed against Cuba Gooding, Jr.

Attorney Gloria Allred April 13, 2022