Gloria Allred's statement regarding the sentencing of Harvey Weinstein in L.A.

Today there was justice for Harvey Weinstein, but very little justice for the three victims that I represent and who testified in his criminal case in Los Angeles.

I represent Jane Doe 2, Jane Doe 5, and Natassia M.

Although all of my clients either testified before the Grand Jury, or at trial, or both, the judge in this case denied them what we allege was their constitutional right under the California Constitution to give a victim impact statement at Harvey Weinstein's sentencing today.

This denial was deeply hurtful to them.

As a result, we filed a case with the California Court of Appeals on their behalf called a Petition for Mandamus, in which we seek a ruling which makes clear that our clients do have a right to give a victim impact statement at Harvey Weinstein's sentencing hearing even if there was no conviction in reference to their allegations.

This case is bigger than the issue of how many years are contained in the sentence today for Harvey Weinstein.

It is about a victim's right to be heard at a sentencing hearing by a court.

Victims matter and their voices matter.

We look forward to the decision by the California Court of Appeals.

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