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Sean "Diddy" Combs and Cassie at the 2018 Met Gala. *Neilson Barnard/Getty Images*

Sean “Diddy” Combs is seen allegedly physically assaulting his ex-girlfriend Cassie Ventura in a 2016 surveillance video obtained by CNN.

The footage dated March 5, 2016, shows what appears to be Combs, holding a towel around his waist, running after a woman who appears to be Ventura after she is seen exiting a hotel room and moving toward a bank of elevators. He is then seen grabbing her by the back of the neck and throwing her to the floor; he then turns to kick her, as the video shows.

He then retrieves a purse and suitcase from the floor before he turns to kick her again though she is not moving. She is then seen being dragged by him by the sweatshirt she is wearing for a moment. Then he walks off. She gathers some items from the floor, but he returns and is seen shoving her then sitting in a chair, pulling an unidentifiable object from a table and throwing it toward her. He is then seen walking away.

“The gut-wrenching video has only further confirmed the disturbing and predatory behavior of Mr. Combs,” Ventura’s attorney, Douglas H. Wigdor, said in a statement. “Words cannot express the courage and fortitude that Ms. Ventura has shown in coming forward to bring this to light.”

In a civil lawsuit filed in New York in November, Ventura accused Combs of repeatedly raping and physically abusing her for nearly a decade as they had an on-again, off-again romantic relationship. In the suit, which also names his label, Bad Boy Records, and Sony Music, Ventura said she was “trapped by Mr. Combs in a cycle of abuse, violence and sex trafficking;” the filing recalls several instances where she claimed Combs “punched, beat, kicked and stomped” on her.

Ventura and Combs reached an undisclosed settlement and the case was dismissed the day after it was filed.

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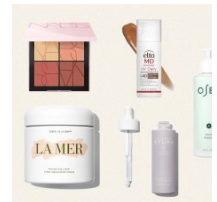
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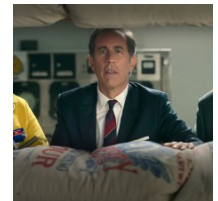
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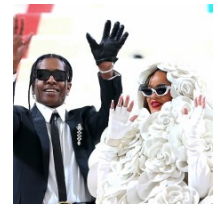
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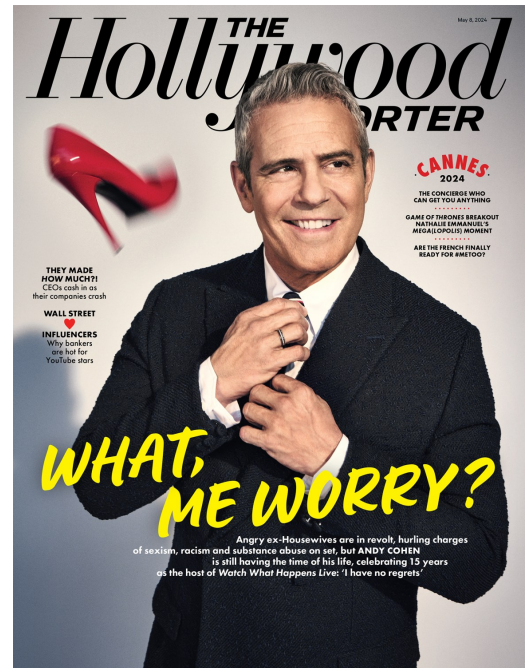
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