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Former WWE employee suing Vince McMahon seeks medical records from celebrity Greenwich doctor

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A wrestling belt sculpture stands in front of the WWE world headquarters on January 28, 2024 in Stamford, Connecticut. John Moore/Getty Images

STAMFORD — Janel Grant, the former WWE employee who has sued WWE founder Vince McMahon for alleged sexual assault and trafficking, is asking a judge to order a celebrity Greenwich doctor to turn over documents she believes will substantiate her case.

In a petition filed Tuesday in state Superior Court in Stamford, Grant is seeking to have a judge order Dr. Carlon Colker, the principle of Peak Wellness Inc. to turn over all records and correspondence regarding his treatment of her.

"We think this is a very serious matter and we will be pursuing it very aggressively with the aid of the court," Grant's lawyer, Erica Nolan said Tuesday afternoon.

No court hearing date on the petition has been set.

Colker did not return calls to his Greenwich office for comment.

According to the petition, McMahon arranged in November 2019 for Grant to see Colker to treat her fatigue and insomnia.

At McMahon's direction, the petition states Grant began seeing Colker regularly. From Nov. 22, 2019, through April 15, 2022, Grant saw Colker or another practitioner at Peak Wellness on at least 60 occasions, the petition stated.

On multiple visits, Colker prescribed Grant with "adrenal trays" or "adrenal supplement trays," provided by his office and instructed her to take the unmarked pills daily, the petition said.

Colker did not explain the substances, dosages or purpose of the pills to Grant beyond purportedly addressing her symptoms of fatigue, the petition stated. When Grant asked Colker about the substance of the supplement trays and what may have caused her to experience nausea, he questioned her trust, according to the petition.

"If you don't trust me, we have bigger problems," Colker allegedly said, according to the petition.

"The information that Ms. Grant has requested is material and necessary to determine whether defendants were civil conspirators in her pending claims against McMahon and the WWE. The information is also material and necessary to determine whether defendants have engaged in falsifying medical records, Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act ("RICO") violations, RICO conspiracy, assault, battery, and/or breaches of fiduciary against Ms. Grant," the petition stated.

Colker, a Darien resident, has written a number of books on muscle enhancement and has regularly treated celebrities, including Justin Bieber.

Grant, who worked at the Stamford-based WWE from 2019 to 2022, filed her lawsuit against McMahon and the WWE in January in U.S. District Court. Nolan said Grant has since agreed to pause her lawsuit until December to allow the U.S. Department of Justice to investigate her allegations.

The complaint stated that Grant was "the victim of physical and emotional abuse, sexual assault and trafficking at WWE. Ms. Grant is filing this lawsuit not just to address her own suffering, but also to act for those who are afraid to speak out."

A day after Grant filed her complaint, McMahon resigned as executive chairman and as a member of the board of directors of TKO Group, WWE's parent company.

Calls to the WWE were not immediately returned.

In July 2022, McMahon announced his retirement as WWE's CEO and chairman. At that point, WWE's board had launched an investigation of his alleged misconduct after The Wall Street Journal reported that McMahon agreed to pay four women a total of more than \$12 million over the past 16 years to keep secret allegations of sexual misconduct and infidelity.

Grant, who was one of the women, left WWE after signing a non-disclosure agreement that totaled \$3 million, but McMahon has only paid \$1 million, according to her lawsuit.