

Amber Heard Claims Producers Filmed "Pornographic" Nude Scenes without Her Consent



Summary: Amber Heard claims the production company behind London Fields shot unauthorized nude scenes with the intention of tricking viewers into thinking she was in them.

Amber Heard is fighting back against the producers of the upcoming film, *London Fields*. The production company behind the troubled movie sued her for breach of contract and on Thursday she filed a counterclaim, alleging they hired a body double without her permission to film "pornographic" nude scenes.

UK-based production company, Nicola Six Limited, first sued Heard for \$40 million, according to *Buzzfeed*. The company said that Heard was in breach of contract because she failed to perform duties of an actress, broke her confidentiality agreement, refused to do postproduction work, and failed to promote the film.

Heard countered last week, alleging that the married producers, Christopher and Roberta Hanley were a "sexploitive couple," who violated her nudity rider multiple times.

"Amber Heard is the latest victim of this lascivious and sexploitive couple. A rising film star, Heard agreed to play the lead in the motion picture entitled *London Fields* based on Martin Amis's novel. After reading the script, she insisted on specific restrictions about nudity and sex scenes in the film as a condition to agreeing to appear in the Movie. Hanley expressly agreed to Heard's terms and they were memorialized in the Nudity Rider to her contract," the lawsuit obtained by *The Hollywood Reporter* stated.

"The Hanleys also caused to be filmed secretly several additional nude and sex scenes with a body double for Heard and included them in the producer's cut – also in violation of the nudity rider," the lawsuit continued. "The secret filming of this body double footage was not on the schedule that had been provided to Heard and was shot with a skeleton crew only after Heard had completed filming and had left the set."

In her lawsuit, Heard claimed that the body double participated in a "pornographic" scene involving a female police officer and a female detainee on the hood of a car.

"The body double footage included an explicit pornographic sex scene that Heard would never have agreed to do herself," the countersuit added. "The body double footage was designed and intended to leave anyone who saw the images with the distinct impression that it was Heard."

The production company's lawyer Matthew Rosengart told *Buzzfeed* that Heard's remarks were "a work of fiction" and "meritless." According to *Buzzfeed*, the producers claimed that Heard was actually required to do some nudity and that she had backed out of it.

Production company Nicola Six added that Heard and director Matthew Cullen made unauthorized changes to the script that removed provocative scenes. Cullen was ultimately fired and the movie was completed without him, resulting in \$2 million over budget and a missed deadline.

The lawsuit against Heard is not the only case involving the movie, which is an adaptation of Martin Amis' famed novel and stars Billy Bob Thornton, Jim Sturgess, and Cara Delevingne. After his firing, director Cullen sued the producers for fraud, saying that they had used his name for promotion without allowing him a final cut. In response, the producers' countersued him for failing to deliver the film on time.

Heard's ex-husband Johnny Depp is also in *London Fields*, and last year, Heard found herself in a messy legal battle with him too. She and Depp met in October 2009 on the set of *The Rum Diary*, and in 2015, they married. While their marriage seemed picturesque to outsiders, Heard alleged that Depp was verbally and physically abuse towards her during that time. She filed for divorce in 2016, and in January of this year, their attorneys announced that their assets had been officially divided.

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