

EX-CLIENT WINS \$37,500 SETTLEMENT FROM STRAIGHT

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Straight Inc., a drug treatment program, has agreed to a \$37,500 settlement with a woman who claimed she had been held in the program against her will.

Jacqueline sued in U.S. District Court in October 1983.

She said she was enrolled in Straight in February 1983 and stayed for one month. Her parents were required to withdraw her from the program the next month because they did not participate in the program's family therapy.

, 20, said she enrolled in the program again in May 1983, but was kept against her will when she tried to withdraw.

The suit said suffered repeated verbal and physical assaults. It also said staff members and other clients sat on hours when she tried to run away from a group meeting. She was released later that day.

William Oliver, executive director, said Straight agreed to the settlement on advice of its attorneys.

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