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CROSS INTO THE BLUE

David Gest, alleging assault, sues Liza Minnelli for \$10 million

NEW YORK (AP) — Producer David Gest sued Liza Minnelli for \$10 million Tuesday, accusing his estranged wife of alcohol-fueled violence that caused neurological damage and headaches.

Gest, 50, alleges in court papers that Minnelli, 57, flew into drunken rages on several occasions on both sides of the Atlantic, insulting and striking him.

Liz Rosenberg, a spokeswoman for the singer, said Minnelli had not seen the lawsuit and could not comment. Minnelli's lawyer, Allen Arrow, did not immediately return a call seeking comment.

Minnelli and Gest separated in July, just 16 months after they wed at a celebrity-studded ceremony that featured best man Michael Jackson carrying the bride's train. Elizabeth Taylor served as maid of honor.

In papers filed in Manhattan Supreme Court, Gest alleges that Minnelli began battering him before the wedding.

Gest's lawyer, Raoul Felder, said his client suffered neurological damage and headaches from

the alleged attacks, and is staying at a rehabilitation clinic in Honolulu.

In one incident last June in London, court papers allege Minnelli consumed a bottle of vodka before she threw a lamp at Gest in their hotel suite.

She later "began beating (Gest) about the head and face with her fists," the lawsuit said. When Gest asked a security guard to intervene, court papers say Minnelli punched him in the stomach.

When the couple married in March 2002, attendees said Minnelli danced in happiness at the altar. Hundreds of fans lined Fifth Avenue to watch guests including actors Michael Douglas, Anthony Hopkins and David Hasselhoff, rocker Elton John and TV news personality Barbara Walters arrive in limousines.

The wedding marked a personal comeback for Minnelli, the daughter of Judy Garland and director Vincente Minnelli. She has won an Academy Award, an Emmy, two Golden Globes and three Tony Awards but also battled substance abuse, weight gain, and a near-fatal bout with encephalitis.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Rahman to compose "Lord of the Rings" musical

LONDON (AP) — Indian composer A.R. Rahman and a Finnish folk troupe have been commissioned to write songs for a musical stage version of "The Lord of the Rings," the show's producer announced Tuesday.

Rahman, a veteran Bollywood songwriter who scored the Andrew Lloyd Webber-produced musical "Bombay Dreams," will collaborate with the group Vartina on the adaptation of J.R.R. Tolkien's fantasy trilogy, which has spawned a hit film series.

"We are recreating Middle-earth and we need the music that goes with it to be unique," said Kevin Wallace, who's producing the West End show.

"A.R. Rahman writes brilliant melodies with an exotic quality and we know he will write something which audiences will adore."

Tolkien is thought to have drawn on the Finnish folk epic the "Kalevala" to create the world of Middle-earth and the story of a hero's quest for a magical ring. The Finnish language inspired the Elvish tongue of Tolkien's trilogy.

The "Lord of the Rings" musical is scheduled to open in London in spring 2005. Wallace has said the production is budgeted at \$13 million,

which would make it the most expensive musical in West End history.

Clay Aiken's debut effort tops charts in first week

NEW YORK (AP) — Clay Aiken was the runner-up on "American Idol" this season, but he's second to none on the album chart.

Aiken's "Measure of a Man" debuted at No. 1, selling nearly 613,000 copies during its first week in stores, according to industry figures released Wednesday.

The collection of pop tunes and love songs features "This Is the Night," the ballad he first belted out during the finals of the Fox singing competition. Ruben Studdard, this year's "American Idol" winner, plans to release his album, "Soulful," on Nov. 25.

Last season's winner, Kelly Clarkson, also debuted at No. 1 on the album chart with "Thankful," which sold more than 297,000 copies during its first week in stores in April.

Aiken's showing far surpassed that of his counterpart last season, runner-up Justin Guarini, whose self-titled debut sold only 54,000 copies during its first week in June.

The freshly scrubbed crooner ousted Ludacris from the No. 1 spot.

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