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# Queens woman sues former Radio Shack boss for making crude sexual come ons

York College student says her then-manager Simon Douglas groped her and sent her lewd text messages. When she rejected his advances, he threatened to fire her.

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A Queens woman claims she was sexually harassed by her horn dog boss at Radio Shack who apparently took the company's slogan, "Do it together" to lascivious lengths.

"It was my first job," Ashley Monero told The Daily News. "I felt so disgusted."

Monero, 20, a biology major at York College, was allegedly subjected to groping, inappropriate comments and sexting by then-manager Simon Douglas at the electronics store in Springfield Gardens, according to her lawsuit filed in Brooklyn Federal Court.

Monero started working at the store in March 2013 and within two months Douglas allegedly Queens woman sues former Radio Shack boss for making crude sexual come ons was making comments about her figure, her single status and offering her rides home.

His lewd text messages to her included - "Come by so I can see that sexy a--," "Do you know

what I'll do if your clothes come off," You want to send me some nude pics so I could get hyped," - and some even more explicit, according to the suit.

Presumably there were no customers looking when Douglas allegedly pulled her bra straps, patted her buttocks and "slobbered all over her lips as he tried to kiss" Monero, the suit states. He cited her for petty mistakes and for rebuffing his advances and threatened to fire her, Monero said.



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Ashley Monero, 20, says her former boss at Radio Shack groped her and sent her texts with lewd messages that included "Come by so I can see that sexy a--" and "Do you know what I'll do if your clothes come off?"



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**A Queens woman sued Radio Shack and her former boss at the chain's Springfield Gardens store for sexual harassment.**

"She had to endure the sexual harassment or lose her job," said Monero's lawyer Derek Smith.

Finally, Monero said she transferred to another branch store in Woodhaven to get away from the married lothario. She turned over more than a dozen of Douglas' text messages to the Radio Shack human resources department and he was canned within three days.

Monero said her former co-workers sent her harassing text messages blaming her for Douglas' firing and "taking food out his kids' mouth," according to the suit.

The suit seeks unspecified monetary damages from Radio Shack and Douglas. A company spokesman did not immediately return a call and Douglas could not be reached.

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