

# *Three students sue Columbia University after their suspension for Palestinian rights activism*

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**Catherine Curran-Groome**

New York, February 5 (RHC)-- In New York City, three Columbia University students have filed a lawsuit against Columbia's administration after they were suspended last year just ahead of graduation for taking part in peaceful campus protests for Palestinian rights.

One of the plaintiffs, Catherine Curran-Groome, spoke with reporters: "This all comes in response to Columbia's repression against us, where they created sham disciplinary proceedings to target and discriminate against us. And this led to the suspension and, in my case, effective expulsion from the university. Today we stand here saying that not only do we refuse to be intimidated by the university, but we actively seek through this lawsuit to hold our university accountable for their violation of our rights and for the immeasurable harm that they have inflicted upon us and anti-Zionist students like us who are simply struggling for Palestinian rights to freedom and safety."

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