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Hot Or Not? Suit: Boom Boom Room Says 'Not' <u>Beauties Treated Like Beasts For Sexy</u> <u>Job!</u>

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Two cocktail cuties at The Standard say they got canned for not fitting the mold of "willowy, svelte and statuesque runway models" at the trendy hotel's sexy rooftop playpen.

Aspiring actresses Faye Rex and Stephanie Jaggers are suing the Meatpacking District hotel, claiming management sees fit to employ only women with runway model looks at its club above the High Line.

"There was definitely a type at the Boom Boom Room - and that type is beautiful, tall and skinny," said **Richard Roth**, a lawyer for the women. "Compare that to the [male employees]. The men are not beautiful, tall skinny."

Rex and Jaggers lost their jobs as cocktail waitresses last summer soon after the former Boom Boom Room reopened as the Top of the Standard, where beauties frolic in January 25, 2011

a hot tub planted in the middle of the 18th-floor hotspot.

The ax fell, according to the suit, soon after both women received evaluations saying their performances had been "not up to par" or "less than par" - a big departure from the "positive feedback" the "stellar employees" had previously received.

"They're beautiful women, but they're not tall and that, apparently, is a big crime," **Roth** said. "They were excellent employees who were terminated for one reason - their body type."

The suit was filed in Manhattan Supreme Court.

A hotel spokeswoman declined comment.

Rex, a 2009 NYU graduate who previously had a full scholarship to Rider University's theater program, lists herself as 5-foot-4 and 125 pounds on her resume. Jaggers' height is in the same neighborhood, according to her lawyer.

"It's not a question of looks," **Roth** said. "They want statuesque runway models, and they're treating women differently than they're treating men." The hotel previously made headlines for encouraging its guests to showcase their Xrated romps in open windows above the High Line.

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