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NYC mayor deposed in discrimination lawsuit

The Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) - New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg has been questioned for a second time about accusations that the financial data and news service that carries his name discriminated against women.

The plaintiffs' lawyers deposed Bloomberg Monday behind closed doors. City Hall didn't comment afterward.

Plaintiffs' lawyer Richard Roth said Bloomberg was questioned about his relationship with the company in recent years. Roth said the mayor sometimes seemed dismissive toward some questions.

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission suit filed in 2007 claims dozens of women who took maternity leave from Bloomberg LP were discriminated against.

Bloomberg is not a defendant. He resigned as chief executive officer to run for mayor in 2001, but maintains a 85 percent stake in the company.

The company denies the allegations.

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