

PREMISES

**Woman raped, robbed in apartment complex:
Failure to keep premises safe: Pain: Posttraumatic
stress disorder: Verdict.**

Doe v. Spring Chase, Inc., Ga., DeKalb Co. St., No. 06A50436-1, June 18, 2008.

Doe, 33, was raped and robbed by an unknown assailant in her apartment. She sustained physical and mental pain and now suffers from posttraumatic stress disorder and depression.

Doe sued the owner and manager of the apartment complex, alleging failure to keep the premises safe by having adequate security, among other measures. Plaintiff alleged defendants had actual and constructive knowledge of criminal activity on the property and in the neighborhood but failed to warn the residents of the danger.

Plaintiff did not claim her medical expenses or lost income.

Defendants claimed the unknown rapist was liable for the attack.

The jury awarded about \$8.33 million plus about \$758,200 in prejudgment interest, for a total of about \$9.1 million. Defendants' posttrial motions are pending.

Plaintiff's Counsel