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CHICAGO (*JGLi*) – Floyd Mayweather, Jr. will be due back in court on March 10 after making a brief appearance Monday, Jan. 24, before the Clark County court in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Court spokesperson Mary Ann Price told this reporter that the unbeaten boxer attended the preliminary hearing on eight misdemeanor and felony charges that arose from a dispute with his former girlfriend, Josie Harris.

Justice Court Department 4 Judge Melissa Saragosa set the continuance of the hearing date on March 10 at 9:30 a.m.

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Calls placed by this reporter to Mayweather's lawyer, Karen Winckler, were not returned.

Wearing a vest and tie, Mayweather immediately left the court with three men and a woman in tow.

He did not answer reporters' questions but was quoted by the *Las Vegas Sun* as saying, "Yeah, I want to say something. When I'm feeding the homeless come interview me. When I'm going for kids that are less fortunate, that's when I want you to come interview me."

Mayweather, 33, faces charges of felony robbery, coercion and grand larceny as well as misdemeanor domestic battery and harassment charges in connection with the September 9 incident.

Prosecutors allege Mayweather struck Harris and threatened to beat his sons if they tried to call for help, taking cellular telephones from Harris and the children during the scuffle.

Mayweather allegedly grabbed Harris' hair and threw her to the floor, according to Harris' complaint.

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The complaint added that Mayweather reportedly threatened to kill Harris and her boyfriend or make her boyfriend “disappear.”

Mayweather is free on bail and could face up to 34 years in state prison if he’s convicted of all charges.

Meanwhile, Mayweather will also be due back in court on Feb. 3 at 9 a.m. in Las Vegas Justice Court on a misdemeanor battery complaint for allegedly poking security guard in the face several times Nov. 15 over a parking ticket.

He will be up before Justice of the Peace Janiece Marshall for a bench trial on the battery incident that took place outside Mayweather’s home.

Mayweather faces a six-month jail sentence and a \$1,000 fine if convicted on the charge.

Meanwhile, employees of the homeowners’ association where Mayweather lives are also seeking \$10,000 in damages and an injunction to limit contact between Mayweather and the employees of Southern Highlands Estates.

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The homeowners group wants Mayweather to stay inside his vehicle at the entrance to the neighborhood, show identification and make no harassing or threatening comments to security guards and follow rules by obtaining a device to enter the neighborhood on his own and placing identification sticker on his vehicles.

In the suit, the group claims Mayweather “repeatedly engaged in hostile, harassing and threatening behavior toward and against certain employees” including “threatening the life of a patrol officer, physically accosting a security officer, refusing to provide identity to gate officers” over the past three months.

### **Manny Pacquiao’s Defamation Suit Against the Mayweathers, Et Al**

Mayweather, 41-0, with 25 career knockouts, also faces a \$5-million defamation suit before the U.S District Court of Nevada in Las Vegas filed by Filipino pound-for-pound champion Manny Pacquiao after Mayweather and several others, including his father, Floyd Mayweather, Sr., his uncle, Roger Mayweather, Oscar de la Hoya and Richard Schaefer accused Pacquiao of alleged steroid use. Pacquiao denied the accusation. The civil case is pending.

Meanwhile, Roger Mayweather, Floyd Mayweather’s uncle and trainer, pleaded no contest last Jan. 20 to two misdemeanor battery charges in a plea that avoided a trial and jail time in a Las Vegas domestic battery case.

Roger Mayweather, 49, was sentenced to a year of probation, 24 weeks of domestic violence counseling, 50 hours of community service and a \$1,000 fine for the Aug. 2, 2009, incident.

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Clark County District Court Judge Valerie Adair accepted Mayweather's pleas as an admission of guilt and warned the retired professional boxer to stay out of trouble for a year or face a year in county jail. A status check of the case was scheduled July 21. # # #

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