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## **Former Rideshare Driver Pleads to Sexual Battery**

A former rideshare driver has pleaded no contest for sexually assaulting a female passenger three years ago, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Kamaru Deen (dob 11/28/82) entered his plea yesterday to one felony count of sexual battery by restraint. He was immediately sentenced to four years in state prison and a judge ordered lifetime sex offender registration.

Deputy District Attorney Paul Thompson of the Sex Crimes Division prosecuted the case.

On Nov. 25, 2017, the defendant pulled over his vehicle at the end of the arranged ride, opened the door for the victim and then grabbed her and pressed her against the car. He groped the woman and rubbed himself on her, the prosecutor said.

Deen left as the victim's friends walked toward the vehicle.

Case BA466570 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department.

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