Elon Musk and NOT Johnny Depp could have given Amber Heard cuts and bruises during affair as her marriage to the actor crumbled: Penthouse concierge's bombshell claims

- Musk was a regular visitor to Amber Heard's LA penthouse, arriving at 11pm and still there at 1am, it is claimed
- The late-night visits took place as Heard's marriage to Johnny Depp crumbled amid a series of blazing rows
- Depp is suing News Group Newspapers, publishers of The Sun over an article referring to him as a wife beater
- Court heard of a row on May 2016 when Heard says Depp threw a mobile phone at her 'like a baseball pitcher'
- But security staff at the building where she lived said there were no cuts or bruises on her face for a week after the alleged attack
- Instead Trinity Esparza, who ran security at the building, said it wasn't until May 27 Heard 'had a red cut underneath her right eye and red marks by her eye'
- Ms Esparza also alleges that on June 4 two weeks after Depp left the penthouse she saw Heard with further injuries; a bruise on her left check and two on either side of her neck in the shape of fingers
- When asked who Heard had been 'interacting over this time Ms Esparza replied, 'Elon Musk' then if there was anybody else, she replied, 'No'

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<u>Elon Musk</u> and not <u>Johnny Depp</u> may have given Amber Heard cuts and bruises to her face during an affair as her marriage to the Hollywood actor crumbled, building staff at the former couple's LA penthouse have suggested.

The sensational allegations have been made by two members of staff who worked at the apartment block where Depp lived with ex-wife Heard in a penthouse on the 13th floor.

Concierge manager Trinity Esparza said she saw no injuries to Miss Heard's face after Depp allegedly threw a mobile phone at her 'like a baseball pitcher' during a blazing row on May 21, 2016.

Miss Esparza, who owned the concierge company at the exclusive Eastern Columbia Building, said she saw Miss Heard almost every day throughout the week after the alleged phone-hurling assault and the actress bore 'a clear, and unmarked face'.

On May 25, Miss Esparza said she even complimented Miss Heard by saying her 'skin looks flawless' and asked what moisturiser she used.

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Depp, 57, is seen above arriving at London's High Court today for the second week of his libel battle with News Group Newspapers and The Sun +15

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Heard, 34, was pictured leaving her London hotel today for the High Court where her exhusband Depp will be giving his evidence to deny claims he hit her +15

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The 57-year-old actor (left arriving at court today) has accused Heard (right today), 34, of having an 'extra-marital affair' with the SpaceX billionaire - which Musk vehemently denies and insists their relationship began only after she filed for divorce

Amber Heard arriving at the High Court in London for a hearing in Depp's libel case against the publishers of The Sun

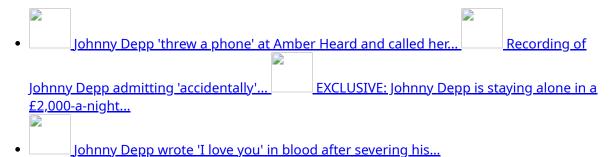
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Then, on May 27 - six days after the alleged attack by Depp - she saw Miss Heard with 'a red mark underneath her right eye' and 'a sad look on her face'.

Upon then reviewing security footage, beginning on May 21, she 'saw Miss Heard on a multitude of security camera footage clips, on each day of the ensuing week'.

She added: 'I was able to zoom in on Miss Heard's face in order to view the footage in greater detail. I did not see any bruises, cuts, swelling, red marks or any other injuries of any kind.'

Miss Esparza alleges that a few weeks later - June or early July - she saw Elon Musk who came down to the reception around 9am 'and looked like he had just woken up with messy hair'.

She says her concierge colleague told her Mr Musk had been visiting Miss Heard late at night for more than a year, when Depp was away filming.

On the same day as she saw Mr Musk, Miss Heard later came down, and had 'three small round bruises on her neck and two Band-Aids on her arm', plus 'a faint mark on her left cheek, below the eye'.

Ms Esparza was giving evidence at the High Court today via video link from Los Angeles as part of Depp's libel claim against the Sun newspaper over allegations that he was violent towards his exwife.

Depp, 57, is suing News Group Newspapers, publishers of the Sun and executive editor Dan Wootton over a 2018 article which referred to him as a 'wife beater' with Heard as the main witness claiming that he was physically and emotionally abusive to her during their stormy three-year relationship.

Ms Esparza's colleague Alejandro Romero, the building's security officer, will tell the court later this week that Musk visited Heard late at night 'several times a week' while Depp was away from home filming prompting staff at the building to speculate that they were having an affair.

He also claims that the tech billionaire Musk usually arrived at around 11pm and would not leave by the time his shift finished at 1am.

The statements by the two officials from the penthouse building was initially submitted as part of a separate \$50 million case Depp is bringing against Heard, 34, in the US about how she survived domestic abuse.

But it has proved to be so powerful that the Hollywood actor's legal team are also relying on it in their case against the Sun.

It was revealed at the libel hearing in London that Depp and Heard had a blazing row in April 2016 after he had been delayed at a business meeting and arrived two hours late for her 30th birthday party.

The Hollywood legend had received some bad news about his financial affairs and smoked some cannabis to relief his stress.

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Sasha Wass, QC, representing the Sun alleged that Depp threw a magnum of champagne at heard before leaving a note reading 'Happy F***ing Birthday' and went to bed.

Depp told the court he decided to divorce Heard after she allegedly defecated in their bed that night, 'as a prank'.

He left the penthouse that morning and returned to the property on May 21 with two of his security staff to collect his belongings.

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Heard says he went to the penthouse 'drunk and high' and became enraged and threw a mobile phone at her 'like a baseball pitcher', which hit her on the right-hand side of the face.

Depp continually replied 'no ma'am' when asked about the incident, denying that he had been violent.

Melissa Saenz, a police officer who attended the LA penthouse after the alleged incident, 'did not see any injuries', the High Court has heard.

Cornelius Harrell, a concierge, was working on the front desk on the afternoon after the alleged assault on May 21.

Depp's lawyers say he was captured by the building's security cameras taking Heard to the post room to collect a package sent to her.

He testified under oath that she 'did not have any bruises, cuts, scratches or swelling on her face' and that — in his words — he was struck by how 'beautiful', 'radiant' and 'refreshed' she looked.

Mr Romero testified that, either on the Monday or Tuesday after the alleged attack, Heard asked him to accompany her to the penthouse as she feared there had been an attempted break-in.

He agreed and 'throughout this interaction, Mr Romero said he got 'a full shot' of [her] face' and saw no signs of injury either, says the lawsuit. Mr Romero testified that he 'couldn't believe' her domestic abuse allegations, say Depp's lawyers.

'We watched the news and we saw the pictures . . . and the next day I saw her, I was like, 'Come on, really?',' Mr Romero said in his deposition. The photos he saw showed Heard with a 'big mark on her — on her eyes and her cheek', but he hadn't seen anything like it in the flesh, he said.

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Isaac Baruch, a friend and building neighbour of the celebrity couple, is also cited in the lawsuit. He says on the morning after the alleged attack, Heard complained to him Depp had hit her. While she 'stretched her neck' to show him her alleged injuries, he said he couldn't see anything, and continued to see her during the week with no signs of damage to her face.

Mr Baruch said he confronted Heard days later 'about how upset he was at her false abuse allegations', according to the lawsuit. 'Amber then told me she did not want anything from Johnny and it was her lawyers who were doing all of this,' he testified.

Musk and Amber dated for a year, splitting in late 2017. They have always maintained that the relationship started after she split from Depp.

But when asked in the video statement why Musk's visits stood out in his mind Mr Romero replied: 'I didn't see it right...Because it was late at night.'

Pressed further, he added: 'Well, she's a female, he's a male. Both of them by themselves upstairs is you know she's married. I don't know Elon Musk personally. I don't know anything about his personal life.'

Mr Romero revealed that he also discussed Musk's visits with Ms Esparza.

He revealed in his statement: 'I told her like – we were talking about it, about Elon Musk and I told her it was really bad that I saw Elon Musk going inside the penthouse when Johnny Dep was not at home.'

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The 34-year-old actress and her 'Team Heard' arriving at the High Court (far right, her lawyer Jennifer Robinson)

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Romero. adds: 'I told her (Trinity Esperanza) well I think it was wrong for Amber having someone else like – I didn't know if he stayed but I told her staying the night there.'

Mr Romero, who has been working at the building for more than 10 years, revealed that he never saw Musk, 49 leave before his shift finished at 1am. He said that he was on friendly terms with Heard and that saw her 'hundreds of times' in and around the building.

In his dramatic testimony, Mr Romero alleged that prior to Musk arriving, Heard would always call him to ensure that he could gain entry.

Mr Romero added: 'Well she (Heard) used to call me telling me his friend was coming and to give him access to the garage and into the building and send him up to the penthouse.'

Mr Romeo revealed that when Musk would arrive, he would physically walk him to the lift and use his fob to press the button for the penthouse, which was part of the security arrangements for the building.

Musk himself has maintained that his relationship with Heard didn't begin until after she divorced Depp.

'Elon and Amber didn't start seeing each other until May 2016, and even then it was infrequent. Their relationship didn't become romantic until some time later,' his representative said in a statement.

Musk and Heard were first romantically linked in July 2016, about a month before Heard's divorce was finalized.

The couple split in August 2017, citing their busy schedules, and rekindled their relationship in January 2018 before breaking up a second time a month later.

Depp has alleged that Heard and Musk began seeing each other much earlier, about a month after their 2015 wedding.

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1. Early 2013

Heard says Depp was completely sober until early 2013, and around that time he allegedly hit her for the first time when they were in Los Angeles.

She claims Depp later cried and apologised, telling her that he sometimes turns into 'the monster' when he snaps.

Depp has 'expressly denied' hitting Heard and said that, around early 2013, he had 'confined himself to drinking wine and using marijuana, having been sober from around December 2011 to August 2012'.

2. March 8, 2013

Heard claims Depp was angry she had hung up a painting by her ex-partner Tasya Van Ree by her bed in her LA home, then tried to set the painting on fire and hit her 'so hard that blood from her lip ended up on the wall'.

Depp, however, says he simply asked Heard to move the painting from the bedroom 'as a courtesy' and that she had an 'extreme reaction'.

He also says a text he later sent describing the evening as a 'disco bloodbath' was to 'placate Ms Heard' and not an apology for alleged violence.

3. June 2013

Heard and Depp were in Hicksville, US with a group of people including Heard's sister Whitney and Depp's assistant Nathan Holmes.

Heard says Depp, who was 'taking drugs', became 'enraged' and 'jealous' when one of her friends touched her, and he then threw glasses at her, ripped her dress and damaged the cabin they were staying in.

Depp says he drank and took magic mushrooms, as did Heard and her friends who also took MDMA.

He claims Heard's friend touched Heard in an 'extremely sexual manner' and he spoke to her to ask her to stop.

4. May 24, 2014

The pair took a private plan from Boston to LA: Heard says that during the flight Depp, who had been drinking heavily, threw objects at her, pushed a chair at her, slapped her and kicked her in the back before passing out in the toilet.

Depp says Heard 'began to harangue him' as he was sketching in a notebook, he then tried to 'playfully tap her on the bottom with his foot', at which Heard took 'great offence' and 'continued to verbally berate' him.

5. August 17, 2014

The couple went to the Bahamas, Depp says to 'cure his dependence on painkillers', although Heard claims he was trying to give up other drugs too.

Heard says Depp had 'several manic episodes' and his private doctor had to be flown over to help. She alleges that he slapped, kicked and grabbed by the hair during an attack.

Depp alleges Heard stopped a nurse from giving him treatment while he was going through withdrawal.

6. December 17, 2014

Heard says Depp was 'violent towards' her in LA, and later texted calling himself a 'f***** savage' and a 'lunatic'. Depp denies any allegation of violence and says NGN has 'failed to provide any particulars of the alleged violence'.

7. January 25, 2015

While the couple were in Tokyo, Japan, Heard claims Depp shoved and slapped her and grabbed her by the hair, before standing over her and shouting while she was on the floor - which Mr Depp

denies.

8. Around March 3-5, 2015

Depp is said to have repeatedly assaulted Heard after an argument over his alleged use of MDMA during a three-day trip to Australia. She says he stayed up all night, taking pills and drinking, and then attacked her again the next morning.

Heard says, the following night, Depp pushed her into a table tennis table, tore off her nightgown and attacked her, before smashing a telephone into a wall and severing the top of his middle finger.

She also claims he had written messages to her around the house in a mixture of paint and blood from his finger, which Depp admits doing while 'in shock', as well as having 'urinated all over the house in an attempt to write messages', which he denies.

Depp says Heard was in 'a prolonged and extreme rage' following an argument over a postnuptial agreement. He says he then 'broke my sobriety' with several glass of vodka, before Heard threw a bottle at him, severing the top of his finger, and stubbed a cigarette out on his cheek.

9. March 2015

Heard says Depp became 'enraged' when they were in LA with her sister and began destroying things in the house before hitting her 'hard and repeatedly'. She also claims he tried to push her sister down the stairs before hitting Heard again.

Depp, however, says Heard was 'berating him in a rage' as he tried to leave, threw a can of Red Bull at him and punched him in the face before he finally left.

10. August 2015

While they were on the Eastern and Oriental Express in south east Asia, Heard alleges Depp 'picked a fight' with her, hit her and pushed her against a wall by the throat, 'causing her to fear for her life' - which is denied by Depp.

11. November 26, 2015

In LA, Depp is alleged to have ripped Heard's shirt and 'threw her around the room', also throwing a wine glass and a 'heavy glass decanter' at her, as well as pushing her over a chair which caused her to bang her head against a wall. Depp says they were in LA for Thanksgiving, but denies any allegation of abuse.

12. December 15, 2015

Heard claims Depp threw a decanter at her in their penthouse in LA, then slapped her and dragged her through the apartment by her hair, allegedly pulling 'large chunks of hair' from Heard's scalp.

She says he then followed her upstairs and pushed her to the floor while shouting 'you think you're a f***** tough guy' before headbutting her.

Heard says that when she told Depp she wanted to leave him he grabbed her and screamed: 'I f***** will kill you - I'll f***** kill you, you hear me?'

Depp, though, says 'Ms Heard fabricated the alleged violence', falsely claiming that 'blonde hair on the floor was her hair'.

He also claims that 'the only violence committed on that date was by Ms Heard', who allegedly 'violently attacked' him.

13. April 21, 2016

Heard says Depp arrived at her birthday party at their LA home late, 'drunk and high on drugs' and they had an argument after the guests had left.

She claims he threw a bottle of champagne at her and shoved her to the floor several times before leaving a note reading: 'Happy F***** Birthday.'

Depp says he arrived at the party around two hours late following a meeting with his new business manager and accountants, and that he was not on drugs but 'shocked from what he had learnt at the meeting about his business affairs'.

He claims Heard had been 'drinking heavily' and attacked him while he was reading in bed, punching him in the face four times before he grabbed her arms to stop her.

Depp says the next day Heard or one of her friends 'defecated in Mr Depp's and Ms Heard's bed', and that Heard later told the building manager Kevin Murphy that it was 'just a harmless prank' - at which he point he 'then resolved to divorce Ms Heard'.

14. May 21, 2016

Depp arrived at their LA apartment, allegedly 'drunk and high' while Heard was there with friends.

Heard said Depp became 'very angry', throwing her phone at her and hitting her in the eye before smashing 'everything he could' with a magnum of champagne.

He says he went to the apartment with two security guards to collect his belongings after Heard and her sister 'repeatedly' tried to contact him.

Depp claims his two security guards entered the room when they heard Heard shouting, and saw her 'repeatedly screaming, 'stop hitting me, Johnny' while he was 20 feet away in the kitchen.

He also says that two police officers who attended the apartment after the incident 'saw no injuries or bruising or swelling'.

