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## Christina Ambers, beauty suing co-op, had affair with hired help before marrying doorman

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Christina Ambers and her former beau John Bradatan, who is married, on a night out.

Before there was this doorman, there was the other doorman.

The beautiful hand-and-foot model who claims her posh upper East Side co-op turned on her when she married a meager building staffer appears to have a thing for the hired help.

Christina Ambers had a torrid affair with a different doorman who worked in her swanky E.74th St. apartment before tying the knot with her current hunky parcel fetcher, [Angel Rotger](#).



Ambers, 36, met Romanian immigrant loan (John) Bradatan when she moved into her 700-square-foot apartment in 2003. They started dating after he stopped working there, both said.

"We used to be friends for a while, we met in the building," Bradatan, 37, told the Daily News. "When we got together I moved there .... We used to go out and drink, we used to hang out."

Bradatan was employed by the owners of 340 E.74th St. from 1999 to 2004 and sued for unpaid wages after leaving, court records show.

He said his stormy romance with the [Revlon](#) and [Maybelline](#) model lasted about six months, ending in early 2007, and he and Ambers even bought fake wedding rings so they could parade around telling people in the building they were husband and wife.

The brown-haired belle also had a laundry-list of complaints about her home then, and often talked about her plans to sue.

"She wanted me to get married, she wanted me to divorce [my wife]," Bradatan said. "Then she wanted to sue the building."

Ambers, once dubbed the "[Heidi Klum](#) of foot models," filed a \$10 million suit in [Manhattan Supreme Court](#) which accuses staff of shunning her and her 32-year-old new husband because of their taboo romance. Ambers and Rotger say residents have made their day-to-day lives miserable by refusing to announce guests or deliver packages to their first-floor abode.

The suit also charges that the co-op board has failed to fix a water leak which has made her floors buckle four times since 2003, and prevents her from selling the pad and moving out, her lawyer [Joshua Price](#) said.

Ambers admits having an affair with doorman number one, but says she didn't know he was married when it began, and it ended before she met Rotger in 2007.

Bradatan's wife, Deborah, sticks by her man even though she says the model tried to befriend her once the fling fizzled, and urged her to divorce him.

Ambers believes Bradatan is now out to tarnish her reputation by coming forward, adding he racked up debts on her credit cards and revealed his "evil" side after the breakup.

"The relationship did not end on good terms," she said.

"He is vengeful and he is not a nice person and I know that anything he has to say about me is not going to be positive because he's an ex-boyfriend of mine."



Christina Ambers with her husband, former doorman Angel Rotger.

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"Angel and I are happily married," she added.

Ambers' men also have more in common than their choice of women and jobs: Both have pasts checkered with run-ins with the law.

"My past record does not define my character," Rotger said when asked about a 2006 arrest for driving without a license, and a raft of charges - including drug dealing - in the 1990s when he was a teen.

"I got into some stuff when I was 16 years old."

And he defended his wife's track record with doormen.

"I think it's absurd that [Bradatan's] name is even mentioned because this situation is totally separate from all of that," he said.

"It's apples and oranges."

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