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## **UTA: Snipes owes millions**

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UTA, jilted by Wesley Snipes in February, is suing the actor for back commissions on "Blade: Trinity" and other films.

In a suit filed Monday in California Superior Court in Los Angeles, attorneys for UTA say Snipes has been paid at least \$13 million for his work on the action sequel and paid commissions to UTA totaling about \$717,000. But UTA claims that Snipes still owes "Blade: Trinity" commissions totaling about \$584,000, and it also seeks additional commissions totaling more than \$2 million related to its 10% representation fee on the movies "Chaos," "Middle Man" and "The Shooter."

A spokesman for UTA declined further comment on the suit, which was filed by the Los Angeles law firm Freedman & Taitelman.

Snipes is represented by manager David Schiff, who was not immediately available for comment.