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Family sues over death of woman who jumped from ambulance

DENVER "The widower and children of a woman who jumped to her death from a moving ambulance on Interstate 25 has filed a lawsuit accusing the ambulance company of negligence.

Mellissa Watkins, 36, of Aurora, died July 8.

A crew from Action Care Ambulance Inc. was transporting Watkins from a hospital in Parker to a hospital in Louisville when she jumped, Greenwood Village police have said.

No cars struck her, but she died later at a hospital in Englewood.

Bill Wallace, vice president of Action Care, declined to comment Friday, citing the pending litigation.