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Scripps News wins prestigious Gracie Award for documentary, 'In Real Life: Attacked Behind the Wheel'

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ATLANTA – Scripps News, the national news network owned by The E.W. Scripps Company (NASDAQ: SSP), is being honored with a Gracie Award in the National Investigative Feature category for its documentary, "In Real Life: Attacked Behind the Wheel."

The Alliance for Women in Media announced the winners today.

This documentary, produced in partnership with [The Center for Public Integrity](#), features women truck drivers who say the companies they work for could do more to protect women from assault and harassment while on the road.

The award will be presented to Scripps News journalists Claire Molloy and Jennifer Smart, freelance correspondent Natasha Del Toro and Scripps News' Director of Longform Zach Toombs.

[Watch the full documentary here.](#)

Scripps News' six-month investigation identified more than 30 women driving or training to drive commercial trucks who said they were sexually abused by their trainers or co-drivers in the past 18 years at companies that run apprenticeships with the U.S. Department of Labor.

"After our documentary aired, we heard from female truckers who reacted with a mix of outrage, sadness and frustration," Toombs said. "The reporting team spent months building trust with sources and digging through documents to find an alarming pattern of sexual violence in the trucking industry and the failure of companies to address it."

In response to the reporting, a California law enforcement agency said that it [opened an investigation](#) into the sexual assault reported by one of the women interviewed for the project.

The Alliance for Women in Media's annual [Gracie Awards](#) celebrate exemplary programming created by, for and about women in all facets of media and entertainment.

Scripps News will be honored at the Gracies Gala on May 23, 2023, in Beverly Hills, California.

"Attacked Behind the Wheel" is part of Scripps News' ["In Real Life"](#) documentary series, which brings viewers an in-depth exploration of a different topic in each episode. Season 4 premieres April 2 with "In Real Life: Crypto Cash." The documentary will look at the collapse of crypto giant FTX, what it says about digital currencies, celebrity endorsements and the collision of tech and finance, featuring insider accounts and creative animation.

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