

## All That is Hip-Hop Rap Is Not Bling

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Lawyers for Tynesha Nicole Dykes, former girlfriend of hip-hop rap artist Jay Jenkins, aka "Young Jeezy," and the mother of the rapper's 9-year-old son, claim the singer's publicists have set out to discredit the woman by disseminating false information to the press.

"Tynesha Dykes is living in a HUD project in rural Georgia and is currently receiving a mere \$178 per month in child support," says Jim Rockefeller of the Rockefeller Law Center in central Georgia, Ms. Dykes' attorney who said that the woman recently filed for a modification of the amount paid to her for child support.

"Mr. Jenkins is one of the fastest rising hip-hop/rap performers on the Billboard Chart, with well over a million records in sales in the past year and a mansion in Atlanta. He lives in high style, tours the country and is in the close company of stars like Jay-Z and Beyonce," said Rockefeller.

Rockefeller decried the rumor that Tynesha Dykes is seeking \$20,000/month from Jenkins, calling it "pure fantasy spread by the rapper's publicity machine."

According to MTV News.com, Jenkins' publicists released information that the singer had opened his Atlanta mansion to victims of Katrina. In his deposition, however, Rockefeller said, "Jenkins denied owning a mansion, or any home whatsoever, or even a car, for that matter. He also denied owning any jewelry, despite the fact that everywhere he appears he is wearing a huge diamond snowman pendant. In short, he testified that he has no income and receives only \$35/ per diem."

Said Rockefeller, "This is yet another example of the misogynist hip-hop /rap culture bashing women and de-emphasizing the libertine lifestyles of its male stars. Ms. Dykes is not an opportunist, she is a loving mother who only wants a decent lifestyle for her son."