

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

PHIL BRYANT

BY
ANITA WRAY, CIRCUIT CLERK

PLAINTIFF

VS.

APR 12 2024

CIVIL ACTION NO. CI-2023-238-JM

MARY MARGARET WHITE
DEEPSOUTH TODAY D/B/A MISSISSIPPI TODAY

MADISON COUNTY
FILED

DEFENDANTS

ORDER GRANTING LEAVE TO FILE A SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT

This Cause is before the Court on Plaintiff's Amended Motion for Leave of Court to File and Serve a Second Amended Complaint (Doc. 175) which made additions to and includes the substance of Plaintiff's Motion for Leave of Court to File and Serve a Second Amended Complaint (Doc. 171). The parties have indicated the motions to amend and motions to strike filed in opposition are fully briefed and ready for hearing.

After ordering a stay of this case, the Court held a status conference in February 2024 where the stay was lifted for the limited purpose of filing the current motion to amend. After an attempt to resolve the matter between the parties, this motion was filed to include additions as well to consolidate the substance of the two pending motions for leave to amend (Doc. 90, 120). The Court having now considered the motions and briefs filed finds oral argument is not necessary and finds Plaintiff's motion to amend is well-taken and should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Plaintiff's Amended Motion for Leave of Court to File and Serve a Second Amended Complaint (Doc. 175) with the final version of the proposed Second Amended Complaint attached as Exhibit 1 to Plaintiff's Response in Opposition to Motion to Strike Plaintiff's Amended Motion for Leave of Court to File and Serve a Second Amended Complaint (Doc. 191-1) is granted.

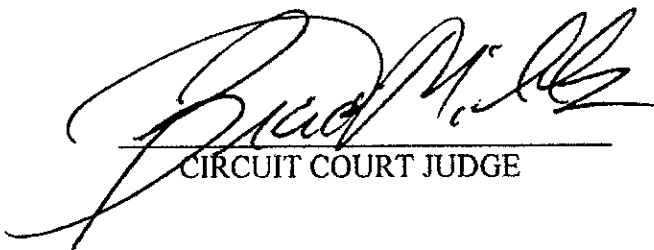
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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff's Motion for Leave of Court to File and Serve the Second Amended Complaint (Doc. 90), Plaintiff's Motion for Leave of Court to File and Serve the Third Amended Complaint (Doc. 120), and Plaintiff's Motion for Leave of Court to File and Serve a Second Amended Complaint (Doc. 171) are resolved by the granting of the above motion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Motion of Defendants Deep South Today D/B/A Mississippi Today ("Mississippi Today") and Mary Margaret White to Strike Motion for Leave of Court to File and Serve a Second Amended Complaint (Doc. 173) is denied.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Motion of Defendants Deep South Today D/B/A Mississippi Today ("Mississippi Today") and Mary Margaret White to Strike Amended Motion for Leave of Court to File and Serve a Second Amended Complaint (Doc. 175) is denied.

SO ORDERED, this the 11th day of April 2024.


CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE