STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF HAYWOOD

DEBORAH KING, Plaintiff,

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HAYWOOD REPUBLICAN ALLIANCE, a
Political Action Committee by and
through, RICHARD OWEN WEST,
Individually and as Treasurer of the
HAYWOOD REPUBLICAN ALLIANCE,
JEREMEY DAVIS, Individually and as
Member of the HAYWOOD REPUBLICAN
ALLIANCE, and EDDIE CABE, Individually
and as a Member of the HAYWOOD
REPUBLICAN ALLIANCE, and JOHN DOE
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Defendants.

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION FILE NO. 18 CVS 116

ORDER: RULE 12(b)(6) as to DEFENDANTS WEST and DAVIS 2018 AUG - 6 . PM 1: 1L

THIS MATTER heard at the June 11, 2018 term on the Rule 12(b)(6) motion to dismiss filed by Defendants West and Davis. C. Amanda Martin, Esq. appeared on behalf of Defendants West and Davis. Plaintiff was present in court represented by Russell L. McLean, III, Esq. "The function of a motion to dismiss under Rule 12(b)(6) is to test the law of a claim and not the facts which support the claim. The allegations of the complaint are taken as true for the limited purpose of testing its sufficiency. A claim for relief should not be dismissed unless it affirmatively appears that the plaintiff is entitled to no relief under any state of facts which could be presented in support of the claim." Renick v. News and Observer Publ'g Co., 310 N.C. 312 (1984) (internal citations omitted). Applying this standard and based upon a review of the complaint, arguments of counsel, and review of applicable law, the court grants the Rule 12(b)(6) motion as to the intentional infliction of emotional distress claim. The motion to dismiss the invasion of privacy by appropriation of name or likeness claim is denied.

This the 3/ day of July 2018.

R. Greg Horne, Judge Presiding