

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE STATE OF OREGON
IN THE COUNTY OF JOSEPHINE

CASEY MARIE HOUTSINGER, an
individual,

Plaintiff,

v.

US SUPPORT LLC, a Nevada limited
liability company, and JASON WATSON, an
individual;

Defendants.

Case No. 24CV49697

**DEFENDANTS US SUPPORT LLC AND
JASON WATSON'S ANTI-SLAPP
SPECIAL MOTION TO STRIKE FIRST
AMENDED COMPLAINT UNDER ORS
31.150 AND MOTION TO DISMISS FOR
LACK OF PERSONAL JURISDICTION**

O.R.C.P. Rule 21A(1)(b), 21A(1)(h) and
O.R.S. 31.150, O.R.S. 31.152

Oral Argument Requested: 1 Hour

Defendants US Support LLC ("US Support") and Jason Watson (collectively, "Defendants") file this Anti-SLAPP Special Motion to Strike Plaintiff Casey Marie Houtsinger's First Amended Complaint and Motion to Dismiss for Lack of Personal Jurisdiction.¹ Defendants seek to dismiss Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint on the merits under Oregon's Anti-SLAPP law, ORS 31.150 and 31.152, and O.R.C.P. 21A(1)(h). Defendants alternatively seek dismissal for lack of personal jurisdiction, and thus rely on O.R.C.P. 21A(1)(b).

Information requested by UTCR 5.010 and 5.050:

1. Oral argument is requested.

¹ This Motion, directed at Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint ("FAC"), largely consists of the same arguments as those made in Defendants' prior Anti-SLAPP motion, filed on April 4, 2025. It is Defendants' position that the filing of the Amended Complaint mooted the prior-filed Anti-SLAPP motion. *See Wagner v. Ryder Truck Lines*, 70 Or. App. 420 (1984) (holding that "a superseded complaint may not be read in conjunction with an amended complaint to serve as the foundation for a motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim; in deciding a motion on that basis, the court may look only to the facts alleged in the amended complaint"). While the FAC alleges many of the same facts as the original Complaint, it contains additional allegations and exhibits that are not addressed in the prior Anti-SLAPP motion. To the extent the prior motion was not automatically mooted, Defendants hereby withdraw that motion and substitute it with this one.

1 2. Court Reporting Services are not requested.

2 3. It is estimated that 60 minutes will be sufficient for oral argument.

3 4. Pursuant to UTCR 5.010, counsel for Defendants sent a draft of this motion to Plaintiff's
4 counsel on April 30, 2025. The parties were unable to resolve the issues presented in the
5 motion.

6 This Motion is based upon the attached memorandum of points and authorities and attached
7 exhibits, the papers and pleadings on file in this action, and any oral argument permitted by this
8 Court.

9 **MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES**

10 **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

11 It seems odd that this case exists. Plaintiff was homeless and apparently drifting through
12 Grants Pass during "an unfortunate and stressful time in her life." During this sojourn in Grants
13 Pass, she was arrested for drunk driving. The Oregon Department of Corrections published her
14 booking photo. Defendants then did the perfectly legal and First Amendment-protected act of
15 republishing it on their website.

16 Plaintiff sought to remove the photo from Defendants' website, through a process
17 Defendants once offered, but have since eliminated. She did not complete the process. Instead, she
18 went on a *completely unnecessary* years-long campaign to have the photo removed, including by
19 seeking assistance from government officials, legal aid organizations, and retaining counsel. All
20 of this to accomplish what she could have done in a few minutes for, compared to the cost of this
21 litigation, a pittance.² While yes, the removal process involved a token payment, that payment
22 was under \$200 initially, and under \$50 as of the beginning of 2022.

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24 ² Plaintiff, in her Response to the now-moot first Anti-SLAPP motion, calls this an
25 admission of "extortion." This is absurd, particularly since (1) there was no legal prohibition on
26 Defendants' program when they posted Plaintiff's booking photo; and (2) when ORS 133.875 went
27 into effect, Defendants charged less than \$50 for the removal of an Oregon booking photo. For her
to frame conduct that the law specifically allows as "extortion" is no more than bad-faith rhetoric.
If that rhetoric is credited, then what is this lawsuit other than "extortion?" Is it "extortion" that

1 The Court should dismiss this case under Oregon's Anti-SLAPP law, ORS 31.150 and
2 31.152, and award Defendants their costs and reasonable attorneys' fees. Plaintiff's sole claim for
3 relief is premised on conduct in furtherance of the right to free speech in connection with an issue
4 of public interest, namely reposting Plaintiff's criminal booking photo taken from government
5 sources, and she cannot show a probability of prevailing on this claim. In the alternative, the Court
6 should dismiss this case for lack of personal jurisdiction, as Defendants have no meaningful
7 connection to this state and all the parties live in Nevada.

8 **2.0 FACTUAL BACKGROUND**

9 Plaintiff was arrested for DUI on May 12, 2020, in Josephine County. FAC at ¶ 7. Her
10 arrest report indicates that she was "homeless in Grants Pass" at this time. FAC *Exhibit 6*. Shortly
11 thereafter, Defendants published her mugshot and booking information on the website <arre.st>.
12 *Id.* at ¶ 16; Declaration of Jason Watson ("Watson Dec."), attached as **Exhibit 1**, at ¶¶ 4-5.³ The
13 photo on <arre.st> was taken from the Oregon Department of Corrections website. *Id.* at ¶ 5.

14 On December 9, 2020, Plaintiff began a DUI diversion program which she completed on
15 May 26, 2021. FAC at ¶¶ 8-10 and *Exhibits 6-8*. Due to completion of the program, her DUI
16 charges were dismissed on January 6, 2022. FAC at ¶ 11 and *Exhibit 9*.

17 On January 26, 2021, while still completing her DUI diversion program, Plaintiff sent an
18 email to Defendants requesting that they remove her booking photo. FAC at ¶ 19. Her request
19 consisted of nothing more than the text "I am requesting to opt out and remove my mug shot."
20 FAC *Exhibit 12*. It did not provide any details regarding her arrest, such as when or where it
21 occurred, and did not identify the website on which it was posted. ORS 133.875 was not in effect

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23 Houtsinger is demanding to be paid an enormous ransom in order to end this lawsuit? Houtsinger
24 was driving drunk, and now she should be paid a ludicrous amount of money because she was
unsuccessful in hiding the truth from the rest of the world. Two can play this game, but the defense
suggests that it be played no more.

25 ³ This is the only website of Defendants on which the mugshot was posted. Plaintiff alleges
26 it was also posted on the website <guessthecharge.net> (FAC at ¶ 5), but this is false, as that site
27 only posts West Virginia arrest records. Watson Dec. at ¶ 6. Even if it were, this would be of no
significance, as Plaintiff does not allege that <guessthecharge.net> is a "publish-for-pay" website
subject to ORS 133.875.

1 at this time, and it would have taken time and resources to locate the booking photo based on the
2 limited information Plaintiff provided. Watson Dec. at ¶ 15.

3 Unbeknownst to Defendants until after Plaintiff filed her response to the prior Anti-SLAPP
4 motion, Plaintiff also mailed two letters requesting removal of the booking photo. The first was
5 mailed on January 29, 2021 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, as shown by the mailing envelope's
6 postmark, and handwritten by Plaintiff. Watson Dec. at ¶ 19; January 2021 letter and envelope,
7 attached as **Exhibit 2**. The envelope also listed a P.O. box in Kenosha, Wisconsin as Plaintiff's
8 return address. **Exhibit 2**. This letter provided a number for Plaintiff's booking photo and claimed
9 that she was unable to pay for removal of her photo due to being unemployed as a result of the
10 COVID-19 pandemic. *Id.* The second letter, mentioned in the FAC, was signed by attorney Tucker
11 Rossetto and, while it did provide information that would have been sufficient for Defendants to
12 determine which booking photo Plaintiff was talking about, it did not provide any documentation
13 demonstrating that Plaintiff's DUI charges had been dropped. FAC *Exhibit 15*. More importantly,
14 while the letter may have been dated November 11, 2022, the mailing envelope in which it was
15 actually sent was postmarked **November 26, 2022**, once again in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Watson
16 Dec. at ¶ 20; November 2022 letter and envelope, attached as **Exhibit 3**.

17 Finally, on November 27, 2023, Rossetto emailed a letter substantively identical to the
18 November 2022 letter. Complaint *Exhibit 14*; Watson Dec. at ¶ 16. Once again, attorney Rossetto
19 did not provide any documentation demonstrating that Plaintiff's DUI charges had been dropped.
20 *Id.* Neither Plaintiff, nor anyone on her behalf, sent any communication requesting removal of
21 Plaintiff's booking photo aside from the above email and three letters. Watson Dec. at ¶¶ 15-16.

22 Until November 22, 2022, the <arre.st> website permitted users to purchase a "license
23 key," by which the user would be given permission to delete any booking photo they wanted from
24 the site. Watson Dec. at ¶¶ 7 & 14. As of January 1, 2022, when ORS 133.875 went into effect,
25 the site charged \$49.80 for a license key regarding Oregon arrest records. *Id.* at ¶ 10. Plaintiff
26 *initiated* the process of purchasing a license key regarding her booking photo on May 14, 2020,
27 using the <arre.st> website's automated telephone system, but did not complete this process. *Id.*

1 at ¶ 12. Plaintiff admits that she initiated this process and claims she did not complete it because
2 “many mugshot extortionists [read: people operating completely legal businesses] maintain
3 multiple sites, or that multiple sites with multiple owners may exist, and paying for removal would
4 at best only apply to Arre.st” Houtsinger Dec., attached to Response to prior Anti-SLAPP
5 motion, at ¶ 4. At the time she initially attempted to purchase a license key, Defendants charged
6 effectively \$199. Watson Dec. at ¶¶ 8 & 12.

7 As a matter of the site’s normal business practice, it continued to offer steeper and steeper
8 discounts over time, with Plaintiff being offered a discounted price of \$49.80 as of October 1,
9 2021. *Id.* at ¶ 9. Defendants’ normal business practices included sending emails to people who
10 initiated the license key purchase system when such discounts were offered, meaning Plaintiff
11 should have been notified of this discounted price. *Id.* At any time from May 2020 to November
12 2022, Plaintiff could have paid the fee to remove her booking photo without even requesting that
13 Defendants do anything, but she chose not to. By the time Attorney Rossetto sent his letter in
14 November 2022 (which Defendants did not know about until recently), the ability to purchase a
15 license key for the <arre.st> website had already been disabled, and by the time Rossetto sent his
16 November 2023 email, it had been disabled for over a year. *Id.* at ¶¶ 14 & 16.

17 **3.0 LEGAL STANDARD**

18 **3.1. Anti-SLAPP**

19 Oregon’s Anti-SLAPP law allows a defendant to “make a special motion to strike against
20 a claim in a civil action [for] . . . [a]ny . . . document presented, in a place open to the public or a
21 public forum in connection with an issue of public interest; or [a]ny other conduct in furtherance
22 of the exercise of the . . . constitutional right of free speech in connection with a public issue or
23 an issue of public interest.” O.R.S. 31.150(1), (2)(c), and (2)(d). Such a motion must be filed within
24 60 days of service of the complaint, or at a later date at the court’s discretion. O.R.S. 31.152(1).
25 The filing of the motion immediately stays all discovery. O.R.S. 31.152(2). If it is granted, the
26 moving party is entitled to costs and reasonable attorneys’ fees. O.R.S. 31.152(3).

1 First, the moving party must make a prima facie showing that the claims at issue arise out
2 of protected conduct. Then, the burden shifts to the non-moving party “to establish that there is a
3 probability that the plaintiff will prevail on the claim by presenting substantial evidence to support
4 a prima facie case.” O.R.S. 31.150(3). An Anti-SLAPP motion is treated as a motion to dismiss
5 under ORCP 21A (O.R.S. 31.150(1)), though in addition to the pleadings, the court may consider
6 “supporting and opposing affidavits stating the facts upon which the liability or defense is based.”
7 O.R.S. 31.150(4). The court may not, however, weigh competing evidence to determine whether
8 the non-moving party has met its burden at prong two; the focus is on whether the moving party’s
9 evidence defeats the non-moving party’s evidentiary showing as a matter of law. *Young v. Davis*,
10 259 Or. App. 497, 509-10 (2013).

11 The Oregon Legislature specified that this procedure is intended “to provide a defendant
12 with the right to not proceed to trial in cases in which the plaintiff does not meet the burden
13 specified in ORS 31.150” and the statute is “to be liberally construed in favor of the exercise of
14 the rights of expression...” O.R.S. 31.152(4). Oregon’s law is modeled after California’s, Cal. Code
15 Civ. Proc. § 425.16, and so Oregon courts often look to California Anti-SLAPP case law to
16 interpret this state’s law. *Mullen v. Meredith Corp.*, 271 Or. App. 698, 705 n.2 (2015); *Davis*, 259
17 Or. App. at 509; *DeHart v. Tofte*, 326 Or. App. 720, 742 (2023).

18 **3.2. Personal Jurisdiction**

19 Analyzing personal jurisdiction under ORS 21A(1)(b), a court may consider allegations in
20 the complaint and matters outside the pleadings. *Cerner Middle E Ltd. v. Belbadi Enters. LLC*, 305
21 Or. App. 413, 420 (2020). The plaintiff has the burden to make a *prima facie* showing (as a matter
22 of law) that personal jurisdiction is appropriate.

23 **4.0 ANTI-SLAPP ARGUMENT**

24 **4.1. The Anti-SLAPP Motion is Timely**

25 In the now-mooted response to the first Anti-SLAPP motion, Plaintiff claimed that the
26 motion was untimely under the 60-day limit as to US Support. Even if it is, the Court may
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1 discretionarily extend this deadline. O.R.S. 31.152(1). Here, the motion is timely and even if the
2 Court interprets the law otherwise, it would be an abuse of discretion to fail to extend it.

3 Plaintiff filed the operative complaint, her FAC, on April 21, 2025. This motion is filed
4 within 60 days of *that* filing. Finding that timeliness is tied exclusively to the original complaint
5 would allow a plaintiff to circumvent the Anti-SLAPP law with trivial ease simply by amending
6 their complaint more than 60 days after service. That is not the purpose of ORS 31.152(1).

7 To the extent Defendants require the Court to exercise its discretion to find this motion
8 timely, doing so serves the purpose of the Anti-SLAPP law. Defendants retained counsel only
9 relatively recently. Defendants' counsel accepted service on behalf of Jason Watson on February
10 20, 2025. Defendant US Support was served on October 21, 2024. Defendants attempted to
11 negotiate a resolution. Once that failed, they retained the Randazza Legal Group, PLLC ("RLG")
12 on January 29, 2025. RLG does not have attorneys licensed in Oregon, however, and Oregon
13 counsel was not retained until February 19, 2025. Declaration of Alex J. Shepard ("Shepard Dec."),
14 attached as Exhibit 4, at ¶ 5.

15 There has been no real activity since US Support was served. Plaintiff did not file a notice
16 of intent to take default against US Support until January 16, 2025, and disclaimed her intent to
17 seek default against that Defendant even before counsel for Defendants reached out to Plaintiff's
18 counsel. *See* Motion for Alternate Service on Jason Watson, filed January 27, 2025.⁴ No discovery
19 has taken place (Shepard Dec. at ¶ 7), and the only orders issued by this Court have been on
20 motions requesting additional time for Defendants to respond to the Complaint and admitting one
21 of RLG's attorneys *pro hac vice*. This case is still in its infancy, and it would be contrary to the
22 purpose of Oregon's Anti-SLAPP law for this Court not to consider this Motion.

23 **4.2. Defendants Satisfy Their Prong One Burden**

24 Whether a defendant's alleged conduct is wrongful is irrelevant at the first prong of the
25 analysis. *Mullen v. Meredith Corp.*, 271 Or. App. 698, 705 (2015). Nor is the necessity of the
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27 ⁴ Plaintiff withdrew this motion on February 27, 2025, in light of Defendants' counsel
accepting service on behalf of Defendant Watson.

1 alleged conduct to the defendant's exercise of their freedom of speech rights; it is enough that the
2 conduct is "in furtherance of" such exercise. *Id.* at 706. Conduct is in furtherance of the right to
3 free speech if it is merely communicative and broadly falls within the ambit of the First
4 Amendment. *Tofte*, 326 Or. App. At 742. There is no legitimate dispute that posting public arrest
5 records is conduct in furtherance of free speech rights, meaning this inquiry is limited to whether
6 this conduct was in connection with an issue of public interest and in a public forum.

7 **4.2.1. Defendants' Speech Was in Connection with an Issue of Public Interest**

8 The term "issue of public interest" has the "common-sense meaning" of "an issue that is
9 of interest to the public." *Tofte*, 326 Or. App. At 742. Courts focus on the content, form, and
10 context of the relevant conduct. *Mouktabis v. Clackamas Cnty.*, 327 Or. App. 763, 773 (2023). A
11 plaintiff need not be a public figure for speech about them to be in connection with an issue of
12 public interest. *Mullen v. Meredith Corp.*, 271 Or. App. 698, 706-07 (2015) (finding that news
13 reporting about a shooting carried out by a non-public figure was on an issue of public interest);
14 *Neumann v. Liles*, 358 Or. 706, 721 (2016) (finding that statements about plaintiff's wedding
15 venue business were of public concern because they "were posted on a publicly accessible website,
16 and the content of his review related to matters of general interest to the public, particularly those
17 members of the public who are in the market for a wedding venue").

18 This case is about re-publishing an arrest record that the government had already chosen
19 to publish, itself. It is obvious that arrest records are matters of "legitimate concern to the public."
20 *Cox Broad Co. v. Cohn*, 420 U.S. 469, 492 (1975); *Rosenbloom v. Metromedia, Inc.*, 403 U.S. 29,
21 45 (1971) (plurality) (finding that "police arrest of a person . . . clearly constitutes an issue of
22 public or general interest"), *abrogated on other grounds by* 418 U.S. 323 (1974). Multiple courts
23 have found that an "arrest and its surrounding circumstances [convey] truthful information on
24 matters of public concern protected by the First Amendment." *Best v. Berard*, 776 F. Supp. 2d
25 752, 758 (N.D. Ill. 2011); *Obsidian Fin. Group, LLC v. Cox*, 740 F.3d 1284 (9th Cir. 2014)
26 (holding that allegation of fraud was a matter of public concern); *Adventure Outdoors, Inc. v.*
27 *Bloomberg*, 552 F.3d 1290, 1298 (11th Cir. 2008) (holding that accusations of "alleged violations

1 of federal gun laws” constituted speech on “a matter of public concern”); *Boule v. Hutton*, 328
2 F.3d 84, 91 (2d Cir. 20032) (holding that allegations of “fraud in the art market” involved “a matter
3 of public concern”); Restatement (Second) of Torts, § 652D cmt. f (“Those who commit crime or
4 are accused of it . . . may make every possible effort to avoid [publicity], but they are nevertheless
5 persons of public interest, concerning whom the public is entitled to be informed”).

6 Reposting booking photos obtained from local law enforcement is unquestionably conduct
7 in connection with an issue of public interest. Even without the wall of authority that says so,
8 common sense would dictate that the government publishes this information because it is of public
9 concern. If it did not, then why would the government publish it in the first place? And publishing
10 that someone *was* arrested, when they manage to evade legal conviction through diversion, also
11 serves the public interest. It notifies the public of unlawful conduct committed by individuals who
12 may be considered for employment in positions of particular trust or responsibility. This is
13 particularly so where, as Plaintiff alleges here, the law enforcement agency that posted a photo
14 later removes it. FAC at ¶ 15. While Houtsinger’s offense was relatively minor, imagine an
15 example where perhaps even a notorious criminal like O.J. Simpson could demand that his
16 mugshot be hidden from public view, forever, because he evaded conviction. Houtsinger’s theory
17 here seems to be that in the absence of a conviction, the public has no right to know about her
18 conduct. Wrong. *So* wrong.

19 Plaintiff claims “a long career as an educator” throughout the U.S. and abroad, where she
20 has worked as various forms of teacher, tutor, coach, and supervisor, typically with minors. FAC
21 at ¶ 1 and *Exhibit 1*. While Plaintiff was still completing her DUI diversion program, and
22 immediately afterward, she was actively working in the teaching field; her resume shows that she
23 was working as an APE Coach starting in July 2021 and a substitute teacher starting in January
24 2022. FAC *Exhibit 1*. In 2023, she moved to Las Vegas for the purpose of obtaining advanced
25 degrees for special education. FAC at ¶ 12. She thus intends to work closely with not only children,
26 but special needs children. Any educational institution considering hiring her or parent whose child
27 might be in her care would thus be keenly interested to learn of her criminal history and how it

1 reflects on her personal character and judgment. As far as the criminal justice system is concerned,
2 she may have “paid her debts to society” (FAC at ¶ 12), but her record has not been expunged and
3 the public is still entitled to know of her criminal history. And while she does not appear to have
4 had legal problems resulting from her drinking habits since her DUI, alcoholism is not something
5 that is simply “cured,” but requires a lifelong rehabilitative process and constant vigilance.
6 Members of the public dealing with Plaintiff in the future, particularly special needs children and
7 their parents, deserve to know about this chapter of Plaintiff’s history and change their opinions
8 of her accordingly.⁵

9 In her Response to the prior Anti-SLAPP motion, Plaintiff attempts to circumvent the
10 obviously protected nature of Defendants’ conduct by arguing that her claim somehow falls into
11 the statute’s commercial speech exception, which provides that an Anti-SLAPP motion “may not
12 be made against a claim under this section against a person primarily engaged in the business of
13 selling or leasing goods or services if the claim arises out of a communication related to the
14 person’s sale or lease of the goods or services.” ORS 31.150(3).

15 The conduct on which Plaintiff’s claim is premised is not removing her booking photo.⁶ It
16 is not based on allegedly deceptive statements about pricing made in private discussions, as no
17 such discussions took place. Indeed, Plaintiff admits she was at all times fully aware she could
18 have paid for removal of the photo but chose not to. Defendants not granting Plaintiff a favor
19 (removing the photo for free) does not transform the relevant conduct (keeping the booking photo
20 posted) into commercial speech. And there is certainly no authority for the proposition that
21 charging money for removal of a photo somehow loses its connection to an issue of public interest;
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24 ⁵ Frankly, this even serves Houtsinger’s long term goals, since taking responsibility for one’s
25 actions is an important step in the recovery process. Hiding the facts from the public is at odds
26 with this step.

27 ⁶ Plaintiff points out that her suit is not premised on the “posting” of the booking photo, but
this is immaterial. It undeniably is premised on Defendants not removing the photo which, for
purposes of determining whether conduct is in connection with an issue of public interest, is a
distinction without a difference.

1 that backwards logic could be applied to any form of monetization of any form of expressive
2 speech, whether newspapers, novels, or art. Houtsinger cites no authority to support this argument.

3 **4.2.2. Defendants' Alleged Speech Was Published in a Place Open to the**
4 **Public or a Public Forum**

5 This requirement is only applicable to ORS 31.150(2)(c); the "catch-all" provision in
6 subsection (d) has no public forum requirement. Websites accessible to the general public are
7 public forums for purposes of the Anti-SLAPP law. *See Hupp v. Freedom Commn's, Inc.*, 221 Cal.
8 App. 4th 398, 404 (2013). The <arre.st> website is accessible to the general public and, until
9 Defendants voluntarily removed Plaintiff's booking photo from it, any member of the public with
10 internet access could view the photo. This requirement is thus satisfied, and Defendants have met
11 their prong one burden.

12 **4.3. Plaintiff Cannot Satisfy Her Prong Two Burden**

13 Plaintiff alleges a single cause of action for violation of ORS 133.875. This statute creates
14 liability for two forms of conduct, designated under subsections (1) and (2). Both of these govern
15 only a "publish-for-pay publication," which is "a publication or website that requires the payment
16 of a fee or other consideration in order to remove or delete a booking photo from the publication
17 or website." ORS 133.875(3). The law went into effect on January 1, 2022.

18 Subsection (1) requires a publish-for-pay publication to remove and destroy a booking
19 photo "of a person who submits a request for removal and destruction within 30 calendar days of
20 the request." ORS 133.875(1)(A). However, the publication may condition removal of the photo
21 on the payment of a fee of no more than \$50. ORS 133.875(1)(b). The term "request for removal
22 and destruction" of a booking photo is not defined, and there do not appear to be any cases
23 interpreting this statute.

24 Subsection (2) is concerned with booking photos of individuals whose charges were
25 dropped. This provision requires removal of a booking photo within 7 days of a "request for
26 removal and destruction" if the requester provides documentation that their criminal charges were
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1 dropped. ORS 133.875(2)(a). Unlike subsection (1), the publish-for-pay publication cannot
2 condition removal of the photo on payment of a fee or any other consideration. ORS 133.875(2)(b).

3 **4.3.1. Plaintiff Cannot Show a Violation of the Statute**

4 Defendants did not violate either subsection of the statute. Subsection (2) is easy to
5 dispense with. Plaintiff, whether herself or through counsel, *never* provided documentation
6 showing that her DUI charges had been dismissed. Watson Dec. at ¶ 17; Complaint at *Exhibits 12,*
7 *14, & 15.*⁷ There is no obligation to remove a booking photo unless and until such documentation
8 is provided, and so Defendants cannot have violated this provision.

9 Subsection (1) requires only marginally more discussion. Defendants were permitted to
10 charge up to \$50 for removal of a booking photo unless subsection (2) applied. As of January 1,
11 2022, Defendants charged \$49.80 for removal of Oregon booking photos as a matter of course,
12 which is below this threshold. While Defendants charged more when Plaintiff initially sought to
13 purchase a license key, this amount never exceeded \$199, and was discounted to \$49.80 as of
14 October 1, 2021. Watson Dec. at ¶¶ 8 & 9. Whether or not Plaintiff had actual knowledge of her
15 discounted prices, she admits she knew the process of paying for a license key which would allow
16 her to remove her booking photo. Watson Dec. at ¶ 9; Houtsinger Dec. at ¶ 4. It would have been
17 trivially easy for her to remove the photo herself with the purchase of a license key, as this was an
18 automated process that did not require any input from or discretion of Defendants. Watson Dec. at
19 ¶ 11. Whether because she was unemployed (Exhibit 2) or wanted to engage in a much more
20 expensive and lengthy campaign of removal (Houtsinger Dec. at ¶¶ 4-5), Plaintiff chose not to go
21 through the actual process of removing her booking photo, instead asking for removal for free

22 ⁷ Attorney Rossetto claimed in his November 2022 and 2023 letters that Plaintiff's charges
23 had been dismissed, but provided no supporting documentation establishing this. Plaintiff's
24 response to the prior Anti-SLAPP motion suggests that Defendants were somehow obligated to
25 follow up with Plaintiff about the lack of requisite documentation, but provides no authority for
26 this position. It would be bizarre for the statute, which clearly states that a requesting party must
27 provide "documentation" of charges being dropped under subsection (2), to obligate the requestee
to remind the requester of the statute's requirements. And there is nothing mysterious about the
statute requiring the requesting party to provide something, anything, more than a bare claim that
charges were dropped.

1 when Defendants were under no obligation to honor this request.⁸ Defendants conditioned removal
2 of her photo on a payment of either under \$200 (prior to ORS 133.875 going into effect) or under
3 \$50 (when the law went into effect), which it was permitted to do under ORS 133.875(1)(b), and
4 Plaintiff never paid this fee despite being aware of it. Defendants did not violate this statute.

5 Defendants additionally did not violate the statute under either subsection because they did
6 not receive a sufficient “request for removal and destruction” until after <arre.st> had stopped
7 being a publish-for-pay publication. The only request Defendants actually received⁹ prior to
8 November 22, 2022, when Defendants disabled the license key purchase system for the <arre.st>
9 site, was a single email from Plaintiff on January 26, 2021, requesting that her mugshot be removed
10 but providing no details that would allow Defendants to act on her request. Watson Dec. at ¶ 15;
11 Complaint *Exhibit 12*. The fatal problem for Plaintiff’s claim is that she made this request before
12 ORS 133.875 went into effect, meaning Defendants were under no obligation to remove her
13 booking photo. But even if this request were somehow still pending nearly a year later when the
14 law did go into effect, a “request for removal and destruction” under ORS 133.875 must surely
15 consist of something more comprehensive than providing a name and a request that their mugshot
16 be removed. At a bare minimum, such a request must include the date (at least approximately) and
17 location of the arrest for a publish-for-pay publication to act on it. Watson Dec. at ¶ 15. The statute
18 must allow for some screening or verification procedures, otherwise anyone could request removal
19 of a booking photo for any reason, regardless of whether they were the affected party or a
20 representative.

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23 ⁸ It is baffling that Plaintiff claims to have gone through a years-long odyssey to remove her
24 booking photo from <arre.st>, including by allegedly speaking with legislators and the Oregon
25 DOJ (FAC at ¶ 22), when she could have solved this problem by clicking a few buttons and paying
a pittance nearly five years ago. This suggests that the motivation here is a bit tangential to the
stated motivation.

26 ⁹ Plaintiff sent her January 2021 letter prior to November 22, 2022, but Defendants did not
27 have actual knowledge of it until recently. Whether transmission to Defendants’ mailbox was
sufficient to provide notice is immaterial, however, as this letter was sent nearly a year before ORS
133.875 went into effect.

1 The later removal requests in November 2022 and 2023 were sufficient, as they provided
2 such information, but by that time <arre.st> had disabled its license key purchase system and was
3 no longer a publish-for-pay publication. *Id.* at ¶ 14.¹⁰ Defendants were thus under no obligation to
4 remove the booking photo and could not have violated ORS 133.875. Plaintiff's removal requests
5 were both too early and too late, and inadequate besides.¹¹ Plaintiff cannot show that Defendants
6 violated ORS 133.875, and thus cannot show a probability of prevailing on her claim. The Court
7 should grant this Motion.

8 **4.3.2. Defendants Are Immune Under the CDA**

9 Even if Plaintiff could make a *prima facie* evidentiary showing on her claim, this Motion
10 must still be granted because Defendants are immune under Section 230 of the Communications
11 Decency Act, 47 U.S.C. § 230 ("Section 230"). This law establishes that "[n]o provider or user of
12 an interactive computer service shall be treated as the publisher or speaker of any information
13 provided by another information content provider." 47 U.S.C. § 230(c)(1). This creates absolute
14 immunity so long as the defendant is a provider or user of such a service and did not materially
15 contribute to the creation or development of the allegedly tortious content. 47 U.S.C. § 230(f)(3)
16 defines "information content provider" as "any person or entity that is responsible, in whole or in
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18 ¹⁰ While the timing is close, Rossetto's November 2022 letter *was not actually sent until*
19 *November 26, four days after <arre.st> stopped being a publish-for-pay publication.* Watson Dec.
20 at ¶ 20; **Exhibit 3**. But even if the letter had actually been sent and received before November 22,
21 2022, it is undisputed that it was sent fewer than 30 days before Defendants shut down the license
22 key purchase system. Liability could thus only have attached if Defendants were still charging
23 money as of December 11, 2022, which is not the case here. Plaintiff claims this commonsense
24 reading of ORS 133.875 is "devoid of logic" due to the potential for operating a shell game of new
25 mugshot websites. Plaintiff does not allege Defendants are operating such a game, however, and
26 she cannot identify any authority even suggesting that a booking photo website is obligated to
27 honor removal requests when they no longer charge money for doing so. Such would be contrary
to the plain text of the law and make the law unquestionably unconstitutional.

¹¹ In her Response to the prior Anti-SLAPP motion, Plaintiff confusingly contends that
Defendants would have been liable under ORS 133.875 even if they had first been served with an
adequate removal request on October 21, 2024, well after <arre.st> stopped being a publish-for-
pay publication. This is an obviously atextual interpretation of the statute that merely highlights
how Plaintiff's claim is premised not on charging money for removal of her booking photo, but
for keeping the photo on Defendants' website.

1 part, for the creation or development of information provided through the Internet or any other
2 interactive computer service.” The immunity created by Section 230 preempts all contrary state
3 laws. 47 U.S.C. § 230(e)(3).

4 “The majority of federal circuits have interpreted the CDA to establish broad ‘federal
5 immunity to any cause of action that would make service providers liable for information
6 originating with a third-party user of the service.’” *Almeida v. Amazon.com, Inc.*, 456 F.3d 1316,
7 1321 (11th Cir. 2006) (quoting *Zeran v. Am. Online, Inc.*, 129 F.3d 327, 330 (4th Cir. 1997)). The
8 purpose of the act is “to promote the continued development of the Internet and other interactive
9 computer services and to preserve the vibrant and competitive free market that presently exists for
10 the Internet and other interactive computer services.” *Woodhull Freedom Found. v. United States*,
11 72 F.4th 1286, 1293 (D.C. Cir. 2023). The statute provides immunity from liability for any claim
12 that “inherently requires the court to treat the defendant as the ‘publisher or speaker’ of content
13 provided by another.” *Barnes v. Yahoo!, Inc.*, 570 F.3d 1096, 1102 (9th Cir. 2009).

14 The most common scenario where Section 230 immunity applies is when a user of a social
15 media platform or online forum posts defamatory content, and the provider of the platform or
16 forum is sued for it. Every court in the country is in accord that Section 230 immunity applies in
17 that scenario, but the facts here are slightly different: the Oregon Corrections Department posted
18 Plaintiff’s booking photo on its website, and then Defendants republished that photo on the
19 <arre.st> website. That does not change the outcome, however, as courts throughout the country
20 have found that republishing statements from third parties, even on a different platform or website,
21 is protected under Section 230. “Congress has made a . . . policy choice by providing an immunity
22 even where the interactive service provider has an active, even aggressive role in making available
23 content prepared by others.” *Blumenthal v. Drudge*, 992 F. supp. 44, 52 (D.D.C. 1998).

24 The seminal case explaining this is *Barrett v. Rosenthal*, 146 P.3d 510 (Cal. 2006). There,
25 an individual posted a copy of an article she had received via email on two newsgroup websites
26 and was sued for republishing defamatory information. *Id.* at 514. The court found that the term
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1 “users” included individuals using an interactive computer service, and thus the defendant’s act of
2 republication was protected under Section 230. *Id.* at 513.

3 *Rosenthal* spawned many cases affirming and expanding this reasoning. *See Coomer v.*
4 *Donald J. Trump for President, Inc.*, 2024 COA 35, 2024 Colo. App. LEXIS 448, *97-99 (Apr.
5 11, 2024) (finding that retweeting allegedly defamatory statements published by a third party, and
6 including in retweet a verbatim quote from allegedly defamatory statements, was protected under
7 Section 230); *Banaian v. Bascom*, 281 A.3d 975, 980 (N.H. 2022) (finding that students who
8 retweeted allegedly defamatory screenshot of webpage were immune under Section 230); *Holmok*
9 *v. Burke*, 2022-Ohio-2135, 2022 Ohio App. LEXIS 2015, *8-9 (Oh. Ct. App. June 23, 2022)
10 (finding that defendant who retweeted an allegedly defamatory tweet and added a hashtag was
11 immune under Section 230).

12 Courts apply this reasoning even in cases where information was provided by a third party
13 on one online platform and republished on a different platform. *See Comyack v. Giannella*, 2020
14 N.J. Super. LEXIS 49, *117-18 (N.J. Super. Ct. Apr. 21, 2020) (finding that Facebook users who
15 made Facebook posts republishing allegedly defamatory statements published by third parties on
16 social media websites Reddit and Instagram were immune under Section 230); *Marfione v. Kai*
17 *U.S.A., Ltd.*, No. 17-70, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 51066, *16 (W.D. Pa. Mar. 27, 2018) (finding
18 defendant whose Instagram account linked to allegedly defamatory article published by third party
19 was immune under Section 230); *Roca Labs, Inc. v. Consumer Op. Corp.*, 140 F. Supp. 3d 1311,
20 1320 (M.D. Fla. 2015) (finding consumer review website that published tweets quoting and linking
21 to allegedly defamatory reviews published by third parties was immune under Section 230);
22 *Vasquez v. Buhl*, 150 Conn. App. 117, 90 A.3d 331, 344 (2014) (finding newspaper that linked to
23 allegedly defamatory article published by third party was immune under Section 230).

24 The court in *Nat’l Ass’n of the Deaf v. Harvard Univ.*, 377 F. Supp. 3d 49 (D. Mass. 2019),
25 provided a clear explanation of the relationship between embedded content and Section 230:

26 By definition, embedded content is content hosted on a third-party server [here,
27 Twitter] that is hyperlinked in its existing form to content that is hosted on [The

1 *Daily Caller's*] platform or website. To the extent such content is not content that
2 was created or developed in whole or in part by [*The Daily Caller, The Daily*
3 *Caller*] cannot be an information content provider as to embedded content . . .
4 Where [*The Daily Caller*] or someone associated with [*The Daily Caller*] is
5 embedding a third party's content that [*The Daily Caller*] or someone associated
6 with [*The Daily Caller*] did not create or develop in whole or in part – in other
7 words, is publishing a third party's content – [*The Daily Caller*] is entitled to CDA
8 immunity

9 *Id.* at 69 (granting judgment on the pleadings on Section 230 grounds).

10 While Defendants' republishing of Plaintiff's booking photo was not, as a technical matter,
11 embedding a tweet, there is no legal distinction between the two actions. Defendants did not create
12 the booking photo; they took it from a third-party website. And their decision not to remove the
13 photo was a traditional editorial function that has routinely been found to be protected by Section
14 230. Plaintiff does not claim that Defendants engaged in any wrongful conduct other than not
15 removing the photo, and so the cases firmly establish Defendants cannot be liable.

16 Courts dealing with mugshot websites have found that Section 230 immunizes the hosting
17 of and decision not to remove booking photos. *See Doe v. Oesterblad*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS
18 199298, *7-8 (D. Ariz. June 9, 2015) (dismissing claims on Section 230 grounds that were based
19 on defendant copying and republishing information from "preexisting non-profit and government
20 websites"); *Doe v. Grant*, 2021 Ariz. Super. LEXIS 1327, *6-7 (Maricopa Sup. Ct. Mar. 31, 2021)
21 (finding that Section 230 preempted Arizona mugshot law and granting motion to dismiss); *Shuler*
22 *v. Duke*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 90409, *22-25 (N.D. Ala. May 31, 2018), *aff'd* 792 Fed. Appx.
23 697 (11th Cir. 2019) (finding Section 230 barred defamation claim despite allegation that
24 plaintiff's arrest had no basis in law or fact); *Kruska v. Perverted Justice Found., Inc.*, 2008 U.S.
25 Dist. LEXIS 109347, *7-9 (D. Ariz. July 8, 2008) (finding claims based on statements imputing
26 criminal conduct were barred by Section 230 as to defendant which only hosted content created
27 by other sources).

28 The fact that Defendants, at one point, charged for a license key that would allow removal
29 of booking photos does not affect this immunity. "[T]he fact that a website elicits online content

1 for profit is immaterial; the only relevant inquiry is whether the interactive service provider
2 ‘creates’ or ‘develops’ that content.” *M.A. ex rel. P.K. v. Vill. Voice Media Holdings, LLC*, 809 F.
3 Supp. 2d 1041, 1050 (E.D. Mo. 2011); *Fed. Agency of News LLC v. Facebook, Inc.*, 432 F. Supp.
4 3d 1107, 1119 (N.D. Cal. 2020) (stating that “there is no ‘for profit exception to § 230’s broad
5 grant of immunity’”). In her Response to the prior Anti-SLAPP motion, Plaintiff argues that
6 Defendants are not immune under Section 230 because they “contributed to the illegality of the
7 conduct” of not removing her booking photo. But that is just restating the obvious; ORS 133.875
8 makes it unlawful not to remove a booking photo, a traditional editorial function protected by
9 decades of Section 230 case law. Oregon’s law, and Plaintiff’s claim under it, is thus preempted
10 by Section 230, which immunizes Defendants.¹²

11 Due to Section 230 immunity, Plaintiff cannot show a probability of prevailing on her
12 claim. This immunity is applicable on the face of the Complaint; the Court need not review
13 extrinsic evidence to determine that dismissal is appropriate under O.R.C.P. 21A(1)(h).

14 **4.3.3. The Statute is Unconstitutional**

15 Assuming, *arguendo*, that Defendants violated Oregon’s mugshot law and Section 230
16 does not apply, Plaintiff’s claim still fails because the Oregon law is an unconstitutional
17 infringement on the First Amendment. As discussed above, the law inhibits the ability to post, and
18 to continue posting, publicly available criminal records of significant interest to the general public.
19 Such conduct is protected under the First Amendment, and the law discriminates based on the
20 content of speech; it targets booking photo websites specifically and is concerned solely with
21 booking photos. Because it is content-based, the law is subject to strict scrutiny, meaning it is
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24 ¹² Plaintiff additionally argues that this case is somehow similar to *Anderson v. TikTok, Inc.*,
25 116 F.4th 180 (3d Cir. 2024), which found that claims based on TikTok’s promotion of content
26 was not immunized under Section 230. That has no similarity to Plaintiff’s claim here; she is
27 premising liability on Defendants not removing content created by a third party. There is no
allegation that Defendants violated ORS 133.875 by promoting or advertising Plaintiff’s mugshot,
just keeping it posted on <arre.st>.

1 unconstitutional unless it is narrowly tailored and advances a compelling state interest. *Turner*
2 *Broad. Sys., Inc. v. F.C.C.*, 512 U.S. 622, 642 (1994).

3 It is firmly established that there is no governmental interest that can justify restraining or
4 punishing the dissemination of publicly available criminal records. “[A]ny state interest in
5 protecting for rehabilitative purposes the long-term anonymity of former convicts [is not] ‘of the
6 highest order[.]’” *Gates v. Discovery Commc’ns, Inc.*, 101 P.3d 552, 560 (Cal. 2004) (collecting
7 cases); *Smith v. Daily Mail Publ’g. Co.*, 443 U.S. 97, 104 (1979) (holding that state’s interest in
8 protecting the anonymity of juvenile defendants did not justify punishing newspapers for truthfully
9 reporting those names); *Fla. Star v. B.J.F.*, 491 U.S. 524, 525 (1989) (holding that state’s interest
10 in protecting privacy of rape victim insufficient to overcome First Amendment protection for the
11 dissemination of “lawfully obtained truthful information” concerning a matter of public concern);
12 *Landmark Commc’ns, Inc. v. Virginia*, 435 U.S. 829, 841 (1978) (state’s interest in protecting the
13 reputation of its judges and in maintaining the institutional integrity of its courts not sufficient to
14 justify punishing speech involving confidential proceedings of judicial review commission); *Okla.*
15 *Publ’g. Co. v. Dist. Court In & For Okla. Cnty.*, 430 U.S. 308, 311 (1977) (holding publisher could
16 not be held liable for publishing lawfully obtained “name and picture of the juvenile [that] were
17 publicly revealed in connection with the prosecution of the crime”); *Bartnicki v. Vopper*, 532 U.S.
18 514, 527 (2001) (stating that “state action to punish the publication of truthful information seldom
19 can satisfy constitutional standards”).

20 ORS 133.875 cannot be constitutionally applied to penalize or restrain the publication of
21 criminal records. As the Supreme Court has made crystal clear, “once the truthful information [is]
22 publicly revealed or in the public domain the court [can]not constitutionally restrain its
23 dissemination.” *B.J.F.*, 491 U.S. at 535 (internal citations and quotation marks omitted). This is
24 particularly so if, as Plaintiff insists, removal obligations (and attendant liability) under the statute
25 persist even where a website stops being a pay-for-publish publication.

1 **5.0 PERSONAL JURISDICTION ARGUMENT**

2 In the alternative, Defendants request dismissal of Plaintiff's Complaint for lack of
3 personal jurisdiction. To maintain a claim in an Oregon court, a plaintiff needs to establish that the
4 court has personal jurisdiction over the defendants. In this case, Plaintiff cannot show that
5 Defendants are subject to personal jurisdiction here. The case should be dismissed pursuant to
6 ORCP 21A(1)(b).

7 Personal jurisdiction in Oregon is "examined as either a question of general personal
8 jurisdiction or specific personal jurisdiction." *Wallace v. Holden*, 297 Or. App. 824, 828-829,
9 (2019). General personal jurisdiction exists when a defendant's connection to the state is so
10 "continuous and systematic as to render them essentially at home" in Oregon. *Id.*, quoting
11 *Goodyear Dunlop Tires Operations, S.A. v. Brown*, 564 U.S. 915, 919 (2011). General jurisdiction
12 is "all-purpose jurisdiction," meaning the defendant can be sued in Oregon for any claim that has
13 accrued against him. *See id.*

14 On the other hand, specific personal jurisdiction "depends on an affiliation between the
15 forum and the underlying controversy, principally, activity or an occurrence that takes place in the
16 forum State and is therefore subject to the State's regulation." *Id.* In contrast to general jurisdiction,
17 specific personal jurisdiction "is confined to an adjudication of issues deriving from, or connected
18 with, the very controversy that establishes jurisdiction." *Id.*

19 Plaintiff's Complaint makes no allegations suggesting that Defendants are subject to
20 general personal jurisdiction in the State of Oregon. *See* FAC at ¶¶ 2-5. They are not "essentially
21 at home" in Oregon. Mr. Watson is not an Oregon resident. US Support is not incorporated in
22 Oregon, and its principal place of business is not in Oregon. The Complaint correctly surmises
23 that, like Plaintiff, Defendants reside in the State of Nevada. *See id.* Thus, this Court can only
24 maintain personal jurisdiction over Defendants if Plaintiff can demonstrate that they are subject to
25 specific personal jurisdiction in Oregon. They are not. The claims Plaintiff asserted do not subject
26 Defendants to the specific personal jurisdiction of this Court, and this case should be dismissed.
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1 Courts in Oregon will only subject a defendant to specific personal jurisdiction if it falls
2 within the boundaries of Oregon's long-arm statute, contained in ORCP 4B through ORCP 4L.
3 Plaintiff neglected to allege the specific provision of the long-arm statute that allegedly subjects
4 Defendants to the jurisdiction of this Court. However, only one event alleged in the Complaint
5 occurred in Oregon, Plaintiff's 2020 arrest "for driving under the influence of intoxicants" on May
6 12, 2020, and the subsequent disposition of that arrest. *See* FAC at ¶¶ 7-11. Therefore, the only
7 provision of the long-arm statute that may fit is its catch-all provision, which provides for specific
8 jurisdiction "in any action where prosecution of the action is not inconsistent with the Constitution
9 of this state or the Constitution of the United States." ORCP 4L. Because Oregon's constitution
10 does not have a due process clause, when determining whether jurisdiction exists, its state courts
11 are guided solely by the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States
12 Constitution. *See Wallace*, 207 Or. App. at 834.

13 Judicial decisions regarding the Fourteenth Amendment have long held that due process is
14 satisfied when "minimum contacts" exist between the nonresident defendant and the forum state
15 such that maintaining the suit in the state would not "offend traditional notions of fair play and
16 substantial justice." *World-Wide Volkswagen Corp. v. Woodson*, 444 U.S. 286-291-92 (1980).
17 There are three requirements that govern whether specific personal jurisdiction exists: (1) whether
18 the defendant has purposefully availed itself of the privilege of conducting activity in Oregon; (2)
19 whether the litigation arises out of, or relates to, the defendant's activities in Oregon; and (3)
20 whether the exercise of jurisdiction comports with fair play and substantial justice. *See Cox v. HP*
21 *Inc.*, 368 Or. 477, 485-86 (2021). A court can only take personal jurisdiction over the defendants
22 if all three elements are satisfied. *See id.*

23 **5.1. Purposeful Availment**

24 To meet the first prong, the plaintiff must demonstrate that the defendant has either
25 "purposefully availed" itself of the privilege of conducting activities in Oregon or "purposefully
26 directed" its activities at Oregon. *M.C. v. Quest Glob., Inc.*, 328 Or. App. 378, 383 (2023). The
27 requirement exists to prevent foreign defendants from being haled into Oregon's courts for

1 random, fortuitous, or attenuated contacts with the state. *See id.*, citing *Burger King Corp. v.*
2 *Rudzewicz*, 471 U.S. 462, 472 (1985). The act subjecting the defendant to specific personal
3 jurisdiction must create a *substantial connection* with Oregon that was created by the *defendant*
4 *himself*. *See M.C.*, 328 Or. App. at 384. Mere injury to a forum resident is not a sufficient
5 connection to the forum. *See id.*, citing *Walden v. Fiore*, 571 U.S. 277, 290 (2014).

6 Here, the extent of Defendants' connection to Oregon is that they posted a publicly
7 available photo of Plaintiff that was taken in Oregon on their website. Defendants can hardly be
8 said to have created that connection to Oregon. After all, it was either an error in judgment by
9 Plaintiff or by Oregon law enforcement that caused that photograph to be published on a public
10 law enforcement website in the first place.

11 Defendants' contacts with Oregon were also insubstantial. They did not physically enter
12 the State of Oregon at any point. To the extent that Plaintiff was injured at all, which Defendants
13 strongly dispute and Plaintiff does not actually allege, that injury did not occur in Oregon. After
14 all, Plaintiff was no longer living in Oregon when she commenced sending emails to Defendants
15 demanding that they take her photo down; she was, according to her resume, working in
16 Wisconsin. Complaint *Exhibit 1*. The fact that both her handwritten letter from January 2021 and
17 attorney Rossetto's letter in November 2022 were postmarked in Milwaukee, Wisconsin also
18 strongly suggests that Plaintiff was not in Oregon when sending the requests. As there is no
19 possible claim for relief under ORS 133.875 until after a request is sent, it is clear Plaintiff was no
20 longer in Oregon at any time her claim could have accrued. Defendants do not have the required
21 minimum contacts to drag them into a remote jurisdiction for this dispute.

22 **5.2. Arising Out of or Related to Defendants' Activities**

23 The plaintiff must also demonstrate that the litigation arises out of or relates to the
24 defendant's contacts with Oregon. *See M.C.*, 328 Or. App. at 384, citing *Helicopteros Nacionales*
25 *de Colombia, S.A. v. Hall*, 466 U.S. 408, 414 (1984). While the contacts do not need to be the "but
26 for" cause of the litigation, they must show that the defendant has "systematically served the state's
27 markets [such] that the reach of its actions did in some way relate to the claims." *Cox v. HP Inc.*,

1 317 Or. App. 27, 33 (2022). Litigation in the state must be reasonably foreseeable, which is an
2 objective determination. *See Cox*, 368 Or. at 487.

3 It was not reasonably foreseeable that Defendants would be haled into an Oregon court
4 based upon the allegations in the Complaint. As noted, when Plaintiff began sending
5 communications demanding that the photo be removed from Defendants' website, she was already
6 residing in Wisconsin or Nevada. Moreover, those communications never stated that she had been
7 an Oregon resident or that her booking photo was taken in Oregon. Given that Defendants could
8 not have reasonably foreseen that their actions would subject them to a lawsuit in this state, this
9 state does not have personal jurisdiction over them.

10 **5.3. Fair Play and Substantial Justice**

11 Finally, the assertion of jurisdiction in Oregon must comport with fair play and substantial
12 justice. *See Cox*, 368 Or. at 485-86. This is a fact-specific inquiry that requires balancing seven
13 factors: (1) the extent of the defendants' purposeful interjection; (2) the burden on the defendants
14 in defending in the forum; (3) the extent of conflict with the sovereignty of the defendants' state;
15 (4) the forum state's interest in adjudicating the dispute; (5) the most efficient judicial resolution
16 of the controversy; (6) the importance of the forum to plaintiff's interest in convenient and
17 effective relief; and (7) the existence of an alternative forum. *See Munson v. Valley Energy Inv.*
18 *Fund, U.S., L.P.*, 264 Or. App. 679, 700 (2014), quoting *Harris Rutsky & Co. Ins. Servs. V. Bell*
19 *& Clements Ltd.*, 328 F.3d 1122, 1132 (9th Cir. 2003). The factors are to be balanced, and no
20 single factor is dispositive. *See id.*

21 Here, all seven factors weigh strongly in favor of dismissing this case for lack of personal
22 jurisdiction. Most importantly, all of the parties to this lawsuit reside in Nevada, and did so well
23 before the Complaint was filed. *See FAC* at ¶¶ 1-3. The burden on Defendants of being forced to
24 defend themselves in Oregon would be much greater than defending themselves in their home
25 state. They are physically in Nevada. All of their evidence is located in Nevada. Their attorneys
26 are in Nevada, requiring them to retain local counsel in Oregon. Defending themselves in a remote
27 jurisdiction will be far more expensive than defending themselves at home in Nevada.

1 Plaintiff herself is at home in the Silver State. Given that Plaintiff is also located in Nevada,
2 obtaining relief there will clearly be more convenient and cost effective for Plaintiff as well. If she
3 believes that Oregon law should apply, she can make that argument in Nevada, and Nevada's
4 courts are just as competent at reviewing and interpreting statutes as those in Oregon. In any case,
5 there is no reason for her to drag this dispute hundreds of miles away when all of the parties reside
6 in Las Vegas.

7 Defendants' interjection into Oregon was minor. While they posted Plaintiff's mugshot,
8 which was taken in Oregon, she was not in Oregon when she began trying to get that mugshot
9 taken down. In fact, her communications to Defendants provide no identifying information about
10 her at all. Defendants did not know that she was formerly an Oregon resident when she sent them
11 takedown demands from Nevada and/or Wisconsin.

12 Finally, Nevada has a far greater interest in resolving this dispute than Oregon. **It is a**
13 **dispute between Nevada residents.** Of course, this also makes Nevada a more efficient location
14 to adjudicate this matter. While Plaintiff was arrested initially in Oregon, that is this state's only
15 connection to this matter. Defendants were not involved in any way with that arrest and should not
16 be forced to litigate in a remote jurisdiction when they live in the same metropolitan area as
17 Plaintiff does. This case should be dismissed for lack of personal jurisdiction, and Plaintiff should
18 be instructed to refile in her home state.

19 **6.0 CONCLUSION**

20 For the foregoing reasons, the Court should dismiss Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint
21 in its entirety and award Defendants their costs and reasonable attorneys' fees, to be substantiated
22 in a subsequent motion. In the alternative, the Court should dismiss this suit for lack of personal
23 jurisdiction over Defendants.

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