



Blake Lively Faces Lawsuit from PR Firm Over It Ends With Us

Description

Jed Wallace, the owner of a crisis mitigation firm, has launched a defamation lawsuit against Blake Lively after being accused of spearheading a “digital army” aimed at tarnishing her reputation.

Wallace, who runs Street Relations, filed a multi-million-dollar suit in a Texas federal court on Tuesday. His involvement was alleged in Lively’s own [lawsuit](#) and [civil rights complaint](#), where she claimed he collaborated with Justin Baldoni to orchestrate an online smear campaign against her, reportedly as reprisal for her accusations of sexual harassment during filming of “It Ends With Us.”

In his own [lawsuit](#), Wallace asserts he had “nothing to do with” the alleged retaliatory actions and contends he has suffered significant reputational damage as a result of being named in the complaint.

This lawsuit signifies the fifth legal action tied to the Baldoni-Lively controversy. Other publicists, Jen Abel and Melissa Nathan, previously filed a similar defamation complaint against Lively, claiming their lives had been turned “upside down” due to the allegations.

In response, Lively’s legal team characterized Wallace’s suit as part of an ongoing retaliatory campaign against her. They stated, “This is not mere publicity; it is blatant retaliation linked to her claims of harassment.”

The evidence implicating Wallace includes text messages from Nathan to Abel, indicating Wallace’s participation in shaping the negative narrative against Lively. The lawsuit seeks a declaratory judgment to clear Wallace of any liability, claiming at least \$6 million in punitive damages.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Defamation** /ˌdɛf.əˈmeɪ.ʃən/ (noun): The action of damaging the good reputation of someone.
2. **Retaliatory** /rɪˈtæl.i.ə.tɔːr.i/ (adjective): Characterized by revenge or reprisal.
3. **Smear** /smɪr/ (verb): To damage someone’s reputation by making false accusations.
4. **Allegation** /ˌæl.əˈgeɪ.ʃən/ (noun): A claim or assertion that someone has done something illegal or wrong.
5. **Punitive** /ˈpʊn.ɪ.tɪv/ (adjective): Intended as punishment.
6. **Implication** /ˌɪm.plɪˈkeɪ.ʃən/ (noun): The conclusion that can be drawn from something although it is not explicitly stated.

Comprehension Questions



Multiple Choice

1. Who launched a defamation lawsuit against Blake Lively?
Option: Justin Baldoni
Option: Jen Abel
Option: Jed Wallace
Option: Melissa Nathan
2. What is the name of Jed Wallace's crisis mitigation firm?
Option: Street Relations
Option: Baldoni & Nathan Associates
Option: Lively Defamation Solutions
Option: Abel Crisis Management
3. Who is accused of spearheading a "digital army" against Blake Lively?
Option: Justin Baldoni
Option: Melissa Nathan
Option: Jed Wallace
Option: Jen Abel
4. What was the reason behind the online smear campaign against Blake Lively?
Option: Financial Gain
Option: Retaliation for harassment accusations
Option: Publicity Stunt
Option: Misunderstanding
5. How much in punitive damages is claimed in the lawsuit against Jed Wallace?
Option: \$1 million
Option: \$3 million
Option: \$6 million
Option: \$10 million
6. How did Lively's legal team characterize Wallace's lawsuit?
Option: Publicity Stunt
Option: Blatant Retaliation
Option: Misunderstanding
Option: Neutral Response



True-False

7. Jed Wallace admitted to orchestrating the online smear campaign against Blake Lively.
8. Jen Abel and Melissa Nathan filed a defamation complaint against Jed Wallace.
9. The lawsuit seeks to hold Jed Wallace liable for the allegations made by Lively.
10. This lawsuit is the third legal action linked to the Baldoni-Lively controversy.
11. The evidence against Wallace includes emails from Nathan to Abel.
12. Jed Wallace claims to have suffered no reputational damage from the lawsuit.

Gap-Fill

13. Jed Wallace has launched a defamation lawsuit against Blake Lively after being accused of spearheading a "digital army" aimed at tarnishing her reputation. Fill in the blank: The lawsuit seeks a declaratory judgment to clear Wallace of any liability, claiming at least \$ _____ in punitive damages.
14. Fill in the blank: Lively's legal team characterized Wallace's suit as part of an ongoing retaliatory campaign against her. They stated, "This is not mere publicity; it is blatant retaliation linked to her claims of _____."
15. The lawsuit filed by Wallace signifies the _____ legal action tied to the Baldoni-Lively controversy.
16. The evidence implicating Wallace includes _____ from Nathan to Abel, indicating his participation in shaping the negative narrative against Lively.
17. Other publicists, Jen Abel and Melissa Nathan, previously filed a similar defamation complaint against



Lively, claiming their lives had been turned “upside down” due to the _____.

18. Jed Wallace asserts he had “nothing to do with” the alleged retaliatory actions and contends he has suffered significant reputational damage as a result of being named in the _____.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Jed Wallace 2. Street Relations 4. Retaliation for harassment accusations 5. \$6 million 6. Blatant Retaliation

True-False: 7. False 8. False 9. True 10. False 11. False 12. False

Gap-Fill: 13. 6 million 14. harassment 15. fifth 16. text messages 17. allegations 18. complaint

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. Which term refers to the action of damaging the good reputation of someone?

Option: Accusing

Option: Defamation

Option: Collaboration

Option: Exaggerated

2. What is the term for a literary work that is complete in itself but continues the narrative of a previous work?

Option: Punitive

Option: Implication

Option: Sequel

Option: Negotiations

3. Which term describes something that is praised and recognized widely?

Option: Complexities

Option: Acclaimed

Option: Modification

Option: Debuted

4. What term refers to the state of being responsible for something especially by law?

Option: Liability

Option: Renowned



- Option: Collapse
- Option: Engagement

5. Which term describes something that is harmful unpleasant or toxic?

- Option: Performance
- Option: Toxic
- Option: Engagement
- Option: Dispute

6. What is the term for false or inaccurate information that is spread regardless of intent to deceive?

- Option: Collaboration
- Option: Misinformation
- Option: Protective
- Option: Retaliatory

7. Which term refers to discussions aimed at reaching an agreement?

- Option: Allegation
- Option: Negotiations
- Option: Creative
- Option: Substantiate

8. Which term describes the act of charging someone with an offense or crime?

- Option: Accusing
- Option: Harassment
- Option: Complexities
- Option: Controversy

9. What term refers to inflicting or intended as punishment?

- Option: Protections
- Option: Performance
- Option: Punitive
- Option: Debuted

10. Which term describes aggressive pressure or intimidation?

- Option: Harassment
- Option: Implication
- Option: Sequel
- Option: Modification

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)



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11. An _____ of fraud was made against the company.
12. The software requires regular updates and _____.
13. She carried pepper spray as a _____ measure.
14. Employee _____ is crucial for a positive work environment.
15. The building's foundation was weak leading to its _____.
16. The news report _____ the extent of the damage caused by the storm.
17. The new policy sparked a heated _____ among the staff.
18. The project faced unexpected _____ that delayed its completion.
19. The lawyer presented evidence to _____ his client's innocence.
20. The artist's _____ approach to painting impressed critics.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)



21. The chef is for his innovative recipes and cooking techniques.
22. The new film at the film festival to great applause.
23. The project's success was a result of effective teamwork and among team members.
24. The company faced a lawsuit for alleged actions against a former employee.
25. The actor's in the play received rave reviews from critics.
26. The contract negotiations were stalled due to a over pricing.
27. The politician's statement had a negative on public opinion.
28. The author announced a new to her bestselling novel.
29. The research project encountered unexpected that required additional analysis.
30. Wearing a helmet is a basic measure when riding a bicycle.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Defamation 2. Sequel 3. Acclaimed 4. Liability 5. Toxic 6. Misinformation 7. Negotiations 8. Accusing 9. Punitive 10. Harassment

Gap-Fill: 11. Allegation 12. Modification 13. Protective 14. Engagement 15. Collapse 16. Exaggerated 17. Controversy 18. Complexities 19. Substantiate 20. Creative

Matching sentence: 1. Renowned 2. Debuted 3. Collaboration 4. Retaliatory 5. Performance 6. Dispute 7. Implication 8. Sequel 9. Complexities 10. Protective

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