



Justin Baldoni's Lawsuit Won't Stop Blake Lively's Harassment Allegations: Report

Description

Blake Lively's legal representatives have countered Justin Baldoni's lawsuit against The New York Times, asserting that nothing in Baldoni's actions will alter the legitimacy of Lively's allegations against him. Following a series of serious accusations made by the actress in December, the director of *It Ends With Us* has taken a notable legal step by suing the publication over a December 21 article titled "We Can Bury Anyone: Inside a Hollywood Smear Machine." However, sources close to Lively report that such countermeasures will ultimately prove ineffective, as the actress is poised for an "explosive start to the new year."

An insider disclosed to *PEOPLE* that Lively remains steadfast, believing firmly in the righteousness of her cause. Her legal team has also publicly addressed the 87-page complaint that Baldoni, alongside several other plaintiffs, filed on New Year's Eve.

Baldoni has launched a \$250 million lawsuit against The New York Times, claiming libel, false light invasion of privacy, promissory fraud, and breach of implied contracts. The suit appears to be a strategic maneuver, coinciding with Lively's sexual harassment allegations and suggesting a retaliatory smear campaign against her. Notably, Baldoni's filings have implicated Ryan Reynolds, Lively's husband, alleging that the couple conspired to intimidate him, even accusing Lively of attempting a hostile takeover of *It Ends With Us* following filming by supposedly orchestrating his exclusion from the premiere.

In a statement released on January 2, Lively's attorneys reiterated that Baldoni's legal action does not undermine their client's claims made to the California Civil Rights Department. They have invited the public to review Lively's complaint in its entirety and express confidence in addressing all allegations raised by Baldoni's production company in court. Further, Lively has advanced her legal stance by officially filing a federal complaint against Baldoni's studio, asserting that they retaliated against her for voicing concerns regarding workplace safety and sexual harassment. The litigation occurs in New York, where many of the relevant events transpired, though Lively's team has indicated willingness to pursue further action in additional jurisdictions if warranted.



Vocabulary List:

1. **Allegations** /,æ.l.ə'geɪ.fənz/ (noun): Claims or assertions made without proof.
2. **Litigation** /,lɪtɪ'geɪʃən/ (noun): The process of taking legal action.
3. **Retaliatory** /rɪ'tæl.i.ə.tɔ:.ri/ (adjective): Characterized by retaliating; seeking revenge.
4. **Implicated** /'ɪmplɪ,ketɪd/ (verb): Involved in something often in a way that suggests guilt.
5. **Countermeasures** /'kaʊn.tər.meɜ:.ərz/ (noun): Actions taken to counteract or offset another action.
6. **Claims** /kleɪmz/ (noun): Statements that something is true typically without proof.

Vocabulary quizzes

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

1. Which term refers to the act of being occupied or involved with something?
Option: A) Intrigue
Option: B) Engagement
Option: C) Devastating
Option: D) Resilience
2. What word describes the level of strength or concentration of something?
Option: A) Unwavering
Option: B) Impacting
Option: C) Complexity
Option: D) Intensity
3. Which term is used to describe a time of intense difficulty or danger?
Option: A) Postponed
Option: B) Epitomizes
Option: C) Crisis
Option: D) Pursued
4. Which word means causing great damage or destruction?
Option: A) Congruue
Option: B) Divulge
Option: C) Devastating
Option: D) Trepidation
5. What term is used to describe something causing a marked change or improvement?



- Option: A) Acclaimed
- Option: B) Transformative
- Option: C) Untimely
- Option: D) Allegations

6. Which word refers to something having a double meaning or unclear nature?

- Option: A) Retaliatory
- Option: B) Ambiguous
- Option: C) Litigation
- Option: D) Untimely

7. What term describes demands or requests for something one believes is due?

- Option: A) Reuniting
- Option: B) Allegations
- Option: C) Claims
- Option: D) Countermeasures

8. What word means steady or constant and not wavering in determination?

- Option: A) Profound
- Option: B) Unwavering
- Option: C) Nuanced
- Option: D) Impacting

9. Which term refers to something characterized by subtle differences or nuances?

- Option: A) Implicated
- Option: B) Nuanced
- Option: C) Retaliatory
- Option: D) Complex

10. What word describes the act of coming together or being brought back together?

- Option: A) Impacting
- Option: B) Profound
- Option: C) Reuniting
- Option: D) Litigation

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

11. The _____ of the decision were far-reaching and affected many areas of the company.

12. To address the security breach the company implemented various _____ to prevent



future incidents.

13. The dispute between the two parties ended up in _____ lasting for years.
14. The confidential information was mistakenly _____ during the press conference.
15. Due to unforeseen circumstances the event had to be subject to a _____ .
16. The artist's latest work was widely _____ for its creativity and originality.
17. The politician strongly denied the _____ of corruption against him.
18. The decision had severe _____ that impacted the entire industry.
19. The employees experienced a sense of _____ as rumors of layoffs spread through the office.
20. The _____ of the situation required a comprehensive approach to find a solution.

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



21. The media engaged in wild about the reasons behind the sudden resignation of the CEO.
22. The of their opinions on the matter led to a more successful collaboration.
23. The community demonstrated remarkable in coming together after the natural disaster.
24. His dedication to the cause his unwavering commitment to making a difference.
25. The sudden loss of the key team member was an setback for the project.
26. The new software showed great in streamlining the company's processes.
27. It is inappropriate to confidential information to unauthorized individuals.
28. The evidence found at the scene strongly the suspect in the crime.
29. The cybersecurity team implemented various to protect the company's sensitive data.
30. The speaker's words had a impact on the audience leaving them deeply moved.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. B) Engagement 2. D) Intensity 3. C) Crisis 4. C) Devastating 5. B) Transformative
6. B) Ambiguous 7. C) Claims 8. B) Unwavering 9. B) Nuanced 10. C) Reuniting

Gap-Fill: 11. implications 12. countermeasures 13. litigation 14. divulged 15. postponement 16. acclaimed
17. allegations 18. repercussions 19. trepidation 20. complexity

Matching sentence: 1. speculation 2. congruence 3. resilience 4. epitomizes 5. untimely 6. capability 7.
divulge 8. implicated 9. countermeasures 10. profound

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