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SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR KING COUNTY

Krista Conlin,	
Plaintiff,	
VS.	Case No.:
Sepehr Ebrahimzadeh and Kathryn Teagarden, husband and wife and the marital community composed thereof,	COMPLAINT
Defendants.	

COMES NOW the plaintiff, and for causes of action against the defendants herein, alleges as follows:

I. PARTIES

- 1.1 Plaintiff, Krista Conlin ("Conlin") is a resident of the State of Alabama.
- 1.2 Defendants Sepehr Ebrahimzadeh and Kathryn Teagarden are husband and wife and are residents of Washington State who have engaged in business and committed wrongful acts within Washington State. Sepehr Ebrahimzadeh and Kathryn Teagarden are alleged to have been acting at all times pertinent hereto on behalf of one another and on behalf of their marital community ("Ebrahimzadeh").

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II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

2.1 Jurisdiction of this matter is vested in the Superior Court of the State of Washington, and venue of this cause properly lies in King County Superior Court pursuant to RCW 4.12.020 (3).

III. GENERAL FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 3.1 The allegations of paragraphs 1.1 through 2.1 are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 3.2 Ebrahimzadeh has for a period of several years appropriated and used for trade, commerce and profit the likeness of Conlin, all without her knowledge or consent.
- 3.3 Said misappropriation has been widely disseminated and published on internet websites, including Airbnb and Vrbo, and has resulted in the consummation of transactions for profit with thousands of persons, all based on the use of Conlin's likeness.

IV. INVASION OF PRIVACY

- 4.1 The allegations of paragraphs 1.1 through 3.3 are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 4.2 Ebrahimzadeh has intentionally and without Conlin's consent used and might still be using her likeness to create an impersonation of Conlin that other persons have reasonably believed was and is Conlin.
- 4.3 Ebrahimzadeh has intentionally and without Conlin's consent impersonated and might still be impersonating Conlin on social networking websites as defined by RCW 4.24.790.

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- 4.5 Said impersonation has proximately caused injury to Conlin, including to reputation, humiliation and injury to professional standing.
- 4.6 Pursuant to RCW 4.24.790, Conlin is entitled to the recovery of actual damages, injunctive relief, declaratory relief and the recovery of litigation costs and reasonable attorneys' fees.

V. <u>INFRINGEMENT OF PERSONALITY RIGHTS</u>

- 5.1 The allegations of paragraphs 1.1 through 4.6 are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein
- 5.2 Ebrahimzadeh has used and might still be using Conlin's likeness for purposes of advertising goods or services disseminated and published in Washington State without Conlin's consent and has accordingly infringed Conlin's personality rights.
- 5.3 Ebrahimzadeh is liable pursuant to RCW 63.60.060 for damages sustained as a result of said infringement together with all profits that are attributable to the infringement.
- 5.4 Pursuant to RCW 63.60.060 Conlin is entitled to obtain injunctive relief to prevent or restrain the use of photographs of her, her likeness and to impoundment and destruction of materials pertaining to the same.

5.5 Pursuant to RCW 63.60.060 Conlin is entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees, expenses and court costs incurred in recovering any remedy or defending any claim brought under said section.

VI. VIOLATION OF WASHINGTON STATE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT

- 6.1 The allegations of paragraphs 1.1 through 5.5 are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 6.2 The internet presence, practices and activities of Ebrahimzadeh in Washington State as described above makes their conduct a vital matter affecting the public interest with regard to the citizens of Washington state and beyond.
- 6.3 The conduct of Ebrahimzadeh has been and is unfair and deceptive. Said actions took place and are taking place as part of trade or commerce, and it is unknown at this time how many Washington State citizens and others have been deceived. The public interest in preventing this conduct is obvious and pressing.
- 6.4 Said actions constitute violations of the Washington State Consumer Protection Act, Chapter RCW 19.86, et seq., and have injured Conlin.
- 6.5 As a direct and proximate result of said violations, Conlin has suffered damages in an amount to be proven at trial, plus penalties, including treble damages, attorney fees and costs.

VII. WRONGFUL CONVERSION

- 7.1 The allegations of paragraphs 1.1 through 6.5 are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 7.2 Ebrahimzadeh has willfully and intentionally misappropriated and wrongfully converted to their own use the likeness of Conlin.
 - 7.3 Said actions constitute wrongful and fraudulent conversion.
- 7.4 As a direct and proximate result of said actions, Conlin has suffered damages in an amount to be proven at trial.

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VIII. INTENTIONAL FRAUD AND MISREPRESENTATION

- 8.1 The allegations of paragraphs 1.1 through 7.4 are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
 - 8.2 Ebrahimzadeh has and is fraudulently impersonating Conlin.
- 8.3 Knowing that their statements and acts were and are wrongful, false, misleading and deceptive, Ebrahimzadeh intended that the public rely on said statements, acts, omissions and concealments and the public had the right to rely on the same, causing damage to Conlin.
- 8.4 As a direct and proximate result of said statements, acts, omissions and concealments of fact, Conlin has been damaged in an amount to be proven at trial.

IX. <u>UNJUST ENRICHMENT AND RESTITUTION</u>

- 9.1 The allegations of paragraphs 1.1 through 8.4 are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 9.2 Ebrahimzadeh has received substantial benefit from the use of Conlin's likeness that they have failed to compensate Conlin for. Ebrahimzadeh has been unjustly enriched.
- 9.3 Based upon justice, morals, equity and good conscience, this Court should require Ebrahimzadeh to compensate Conlin in an amount to be proven at trial.

X. DEFAMATION

- 10.1 The allegations of paragraphs 1.1 through 9.3 are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 10.2 Knowing that their representations and statements regarding Conlin's likeness were false, Ebrahimzadeh published defamatory statements regarding Conlin.