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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

No. 15-6329

JOHN MARVIN BALLARD,

Plaintiff - Appellant,

v.

AMY PHENIX,

Defendant - Appellee.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, at Raleigh. Malcolm J. Howard, Senior District Judge. (5:13-ct-03256-H)

Submitted: May 21, 2015

Before MOTZ, KING, and WYNN, Circuit Judges.

Affirmed as modified by unpublished per curiam opinion.

John Marvin Ballard, Appellant Pro Se. Eric Patrick Edgerton, Francis Lachicotte Zemp, Jr., ROBERTS & STEVENS, PA, Asheville, North Carolina, for Appellee.

Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.

Decided: May 27, 2015

PER CURIAM:

John Marvin Ballard appeals the district court's order granting Defendant's motion to dismiss his diversity action alleging claims of libel, slander, invasion of privacy, and intentional infliction of emotional distress. We have reviewed the record and find no reversible error. Accordingly, although we modify the dismissal order to reflect that the dismissal is without prejudice, <u>see S. Walk at Broadlands Homeowner's Ass'n,</u> <u>Inc. v. OpenBand at Broadlands, LLC</u>, 713 F.3d 175, 185 & n.4 (4th Cir. 2013), we affirm the dismissal as modified. <u>Ballard v. Phenix</u>, No. 5:13-ct-03256-H (E.D.N.C. Feb. 3, 2015). We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal contentions are adequately presented in the materials before this court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

AFFIRMED AS MODIFIED

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