

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI
ABERDEEN DIVISION

MARKISTA S. HOWARD

PLAINTIFF

v.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:16-cv-00061-GHD-DAS

RUE 21 CORPORATION; VICTORIA
ROBERTS, Store Manager; ANGELA
HANCOCK, District Manager; CHAD
SHAW, Regional Director; and STEPHANIE
MERRITT, Human Resources Manager

DEFENDANTS

**ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS OR, IN THE
ALTERNATIVE, MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT AND DENYING
PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE AMENDED COMPLAINT**

Pursuant to an opinion issued this day, the Court ORDERS as follows:

- (1) the motion to dismiss or, in the alternative, for summary judgment [14] filed by Defendants rue21 Corporation; Victoria Roberts, Store Manager; and Angela Hancock, District Manager shall be GRANTED except that Defendants shall not be awarded fees and costs in association with their defense of this action;
- (2) the motion for leave to file an amended complaint [30] filed by Plaintiff Markista S. Howard shall be DENIED;
- (3) all claims shall be DISMISSED; and
- (4) this case shall be CLOSED.

SO ORDERED, this, the 29th day of March, 2017.



SENIOR U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE