Third District Court of Appeal

State of Florida

Opinion filed September 30, 2020. Not final until disposition of timely filed motion for rehearing.

> No. 3D20-238 Lower Tribunal No. 18-15032

> > Daniel Rigmaiden, Appellant,

> > > VS.

NBCUniversal Media, LLC, et al., Appellees.

An Appeal from the Circuit Court for Miami-Dade County, Alexander Bokor, Judge.

Daniel Rigmaiden, in proper person.

Shullman Fugate PLLC, and Deanna K. Shullman and Giselle M. Girones (West Palm Beach), for appellees Dennis Wagner and Phoenix Newspapers, Inc. d/b/a The Arizona Republic.

Before EMAS, C.J., and MILLER and LOBREE, JJ.

PER CURIAM.

Affirmed. <u>See Woodard v. Sunbeam Television Corp.</u>, 616 So. 2d 50, 502 (Fla. 3d DCA 1993) (recognizing: "The news media has been given a qualified privilege to accurately report on the information they receive from government officials. This privilege includes the broadcast 'of the contents of an official document, so long as their account is reasonably accurate and fair', even if the official documents contain erroneous information." (citation omitted)); <u>Alan v. Palm Beach Newspapers, Inc.</u>, 973 So. 2d 1177 (Fla. 4th DCA 2008); <u>Carson v. News Journal Grp.</u>, 790 So. 2d 1120, 1122 (Fla. 5th DCA 2001) (holding that the fair report privilege applied despite argument that it was not fair reporting because the statement did not reveal other exculpatory information.)