

STATE OF TENNESSEE, COUNTY OF DAVIDSON

To Any Lawful Officer To Execute and Return:

Summon KUDZI CHIKUMBU, TIKTOK INC.

to appear before the Metropolitan General Sessions Court of Davidson County, Tennessee, to be held in Courtroom 1A, Justice A. A. Birch Building, 408 Second Avenue North, Nashville, Tennessee, on 06/23/2022, at 09:00am, then and there to answer in a civil action (under \$25,000) brought by

the Plaintiff(s) for:

On Monday, April 5th, 2021 at 5:23 PM, I received an email from communitymanager@tiktok.com informing me that my accounts, @fordbronco, @michaelweist, @juicecrate have all been permanently banned after a "review of my accounts" determined that an alleged violation of TikTok's community guidelines had occurred. Upon further conversation with TikTok staff, I was informed that "if I would like to continue to use TikTok, I could create a new account using a new phone number or email address." As instructed, I created a new profile, @themichaelweist. After further communication and informing TikTok of this new account, I then received an email that said "@themichaelweist is not eligible for verification." This left me without an official account and at a great professional loss, not to mention the financial burden of obligations and contractual agreements for services I must render from my verified account, @michaelweist (including the promotion of a Hulu documentary series, and more).

Prior to this email, I had received no warnings, strikes, notification, or any indication whatsoever of any alleged wrong doing on my account(s). Moreover, I was not permitted any sort of evidence of the alleged wrongdoing, and was not even given the opportunity to file any sort of appeal, nor given the opportunity to remedy this alleged violation.

After countless emails, and 2 certified letters, I've received no correspondence, and the defendant has shown no effort to restore and remedy these damages. In March 2022, after inquiring about my account through an associate, I was informed that the defendant, who holds the position of Director of Creator Community at TikTok, Kudzi Chikumbu has been intentionally causing such damages, and was furthermore told by a fellow employee of TikTok (Eduardo Sanchez-Ubanell, who holds the position of Content Partnerships at TikTok), that Kudzi is "gate-keeping" my profile, effectively damaging my brand and intentionally intended to cause harm to me. Kudzi's actions have cost me substantially, in lost earnings, failed completion of obligations, marketing value, and more.

Moreover, this is a violation of the Plaintiff's rights, limiting the right to freedom of speech.

As such, Plaintiff seeks a judgement to order Defendant Kudzi Chikumbu, and TikTok, to immediately restore Plaintiff's TikTok profile, @michaelweist, to the status of that prior to the takedown of the account, remove or unban the Plaintiff from the platform, and/or, make payment for the amount of damages caused by such actions, for the maximum amount under this courts jurisdiction, in the amount of \$25,000.

NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT(S)

Failure to appear and answer this Summons will result in judgment by default being rendered against you for the relief requested. Tennessee law provides a ten thousand dollar (\$10,000) personal property exemption from execution or seizure to satisfy a judgment. If a judgment should be entered against you in this action and you wish to claim property as exempt, you must file a written list, under oath, of the items you wish to claim as exempt with the clerk of the court. This list may be filed at any time and may be changed by you thereafter as necessary; however, unless it is filed before the judgment becomes final, it will not be effective as to any execution or garnishment issued prior to the filing of the list. Certain items are automatically exempt by law and do not need to be listed; these items include items of necessary wearing apparel (clothing) for yourself and your family and trunks and other receptacles necessary to contain such apparel, family portraits, the family Bible, and school books. Should any of these items be seized, you would have the right to recover them. If you do not understand your exemption right or how to execute it, you may wish to seek the counsel of a lawyer.

TO REQUEST AN ADA ACCOMMODATION, PLEASE CONTACT DART GORE AT (615) 880-3309.

ISSUED 05/26/22 09:34 AM Richard R. Rooker, Clerk /s/ Kim Wolfe

COURTROOM 1A

Pro Se

NO. 22GC7230 Original

MICHAEL GORDON WEIST III

Plaintiff

Plaintiff

5034 PORTER HURT RD, HERMITAGE, TN 37076.2 Address

Telephone

vs.

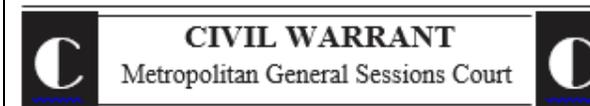
KUDZI CHIKUMBU

Defendant

TIKTOK INC.

Defendant

Defendant



Day of Week: Do not set for Friday

Set for 09:00am on 06/23/2022, Courtroom 1A, Justice A. A. Birch Building 408 Second Avenue North P.O. Box 196304 Nashville, Tennessee 37219-6304

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