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<sup>51</sup> Docs. 75-11, 75-20. 28

legal issues," and the blog is an ABA-recognized top blog website.<sup>47</sup> On his blog, he goes to great lengths to explain "why [he has] the audacity to believe that [he is] qualified to teach [others] a thing or two."48 He touts himself as having "experience and expertise in all areas of First Amendment and entertainment law matters."<sup>49</sup> He boasts about "get[ting] to fight 'the good fight' – protecting all of our First Amendment freedoms," and openly proclaims that he has "represented adult entertainment establishments against socially conservative communities."50

By talking about his experience and the clients he represents, Mr. Randazza invites commentary on his work as an attorney and criticism from those who oppose the positions of his clients. Mr. Randazza may be perceived to have interjected himself into the public sphere by making television and radio guest appearances, giving quotes and interviews in newspapers, magazines, and other publications, appearing at speaking engagements, and having an ABA-recognized Top blog website, all as reflected on his résumé.<sup>51</sup> Considering his intentional and deliberate professional exposure and interjection into the public sphere and the accompanying decrease in his privacy interests, he has not demonstrated as a matter of law that he had an actual or reasonable expectation that he would not be criticized based on his work as an attorney or that he would not be thought about unfavorably by people in opposition to his work. As the Randazzas have failed to establish essential elements of this claim, summary judgment in their favor is simply not available.

## Genuine issues of material fact preclude summary judgment on claim 9 for Civil **6.** Conspiracy.

Plaintiffs' ninth claim alleges that Bernstein and Cox colluded to register the domain names containing the entirety or part of the Randazzas' names to violate their rights. To state a valid claim

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> Docs. 75-11, 75-20.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> Doc. 75-12.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> *Id*.

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for civil conspiracy, a plaintiff must show: (1) defendants, by acting in concert, intended to accomplish an unlawful objective for the purpose of harming the plaintiff; and (2) the plaintiff sustained damages as a result.<sup>52</sup> "A civil conspiracy claim operates to extend, beyond the active wrongdoer, liability in tort to actors who have merely assisted, encouraged or planned the wrongdoer's acts."<sup>53</sup>

Genuine issues of material fact also preclude entry of judgment in the Randazzas' favor on this theory. They have not demonstrated by admissible evidence that Cox and Bernstein acted in concert. The only admissible evidence on this point is a blog post purportedly written by Cox. Plaintiffs claim that Cox "states that Bernstein is her business partner." However, the proffered evidence does not compel that conclusion. The blog post refers in different places to the website MarcRandazza.me, that Bernstein is a co-defendant in this case, and that Cox and her business partner have been customers of Godaddy Inc. for several years. The blog does not, as Plaintiffs suggest, identify or definitely reflect that Eliot Bernstein is the business partner Cox is referring to in the post. And, even if Bernstein were the partner Cox mentions, the post does not prove that Bernstein and Cox colluded to violate Plaintiffs' rights. For that reason, summary judgment on this claim is also not available.

## C. Defendant Cox is not entitled to summary judgment on her claims.

Cox has moved for summary judgment on her original "Counter-Complaint." That "Counter-Complaint" has since been stricken, and Cox was given leave to re-file an amended

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup> Hilton Hotels Corp. v. Butch Lewis Prods., Inc., 862 P.2d 1207, 1210 (Nev. 1993) (citing Collins v. Union Fed. Savings & Loan, 662 P.2d 610, 622 (Nev. 1983)).

 $<sup>^{53}</sup>$  Flowers v. Carville, 266 F. Supp. 2d 1245, 1249 (D. Nev. 2003) (quoting 16 Am.Jur. 2D Conspiracy  $\S$  57 (1998)).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> Doc. 75-1, at ¶ 29.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> Doc. 79.