UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

RUBY FREEMAN, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

Civil Action No. 21-3354 (BAH)

v.

Judge Beryl A. Howell

RUDOLPH W. GIULIANI,

Defendant.

FINAL JUDGMENT

Upon consideration of the Joint Stipulation Regarding Entry of Final Judgment, ECF No. 138, agreed to jointly by the parties, the entry of default judgment on liability against defendant Rudolph W. Giuliani on plaintiffs' well-pleaded claims for defamation, intentional infliction of emotional distress, and civil conspiracy to commit those torts, as a sanction for defendant's sanctionable "willful shirking of his discovery obligations in anticipation of and during this litigation," *Freeman v. Giuliani*, No. 21-cv-3354 (BAH), 2023 WL 5600316, at *2 (D.D.C. Aug. 30, 2023), pursuant to FEDERAL RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE 37(e)(2)(C) and 37(b)(2)(A)(vi); *see also* Default Judgment Order, ECF No. 93, and the jury verdict on the amount of damages owed to plaintiffs by defendant, *see* ECF No. 135, it is hereby **ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED**, **and DECLARED** as follows:

- Plaintiffs Ruby Freeman and Wandrea' Moss shall recover from the defendant Rudolph W. Giuliani damages in the amount of \$145,969,000.00, plus postjudgment interest at the rate of 5.01 % per annum, along with costs.
- Plaintiffs Ruby Freeman and Wandrea' Moss shall recover from the defendant Rudolph W. Giuliani attorney's fees as follows:

- a. in the amount of \$89,172.50, pursuant to this Court's Order dated August 30, 2023, ECF No. 93, plus post-judgment interest accruing from July 25, 2023, at the rate of 5.33% per annum;
- b. in the amount of \$43,684, pursuant to this Court's Order dated August 30, 2023, ECF No. 93, plus post-judgment interest accruing from September 20, 2023, at the rate of 5.42% per annum; and
- c. in the amount of \$104,256.50, pursuant to the Court's September 22, 2023
 Minute Order, plus post-judgment interest accruing from October 6, 2023, at the rate of 5.46% per annum.
- 3. It is hereby DECLARED pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2201(a), as between plaintiffs and defendant, as follows:
 - a. It is hereby DECLARED (1) that the Actionable Statements set forth in the Amended Complaint, ECF No. 22, are false; (2) that those statements are defamatory and defamatory *per se*; (3) that those statements were of and concerning plaintiffs; (4) that defendant made those statements with actual malice; (5) that defendant published those statements to third parties without privilege; and (6) that those statements caused plaintiffs harm;
 - b. It is further DECLARED (1) that defendant Giuliani engaged in extreme and outrageous conduct which (2) intentionally and maliciously (3) caused the plaintiffs to suffer severe emotional distress;
 - c. It is further DECLARED (1) that defendant Giuliani entered into an agreement on or before December 3, 2020, with Donald J. Trump, Christina Bobb, Herring Networks, Inc., d/b/a OAN, Robert Herring, Charles

Herring, Chanel Rion, and members of the Trump 2020 Presidential Campaign, including members of the Trump Legal team headed by Giuliani, who caused statements to be published about plaintiffs or participated in such publications, (2) to participate in defamation of and intentional infliction of emotional distress on plaintiffs, and (3) that plaintiffs were injured by unlawful overt acts performed by parties to the agreement pursuant to, and in furtherance of, the common scheme.

 d. It is further DECLARED that defendant's conduct was intentional, malicious, wanton, and willful, such that plaintiffs are entitled to punitive damages.

SO ORDERED.

Date: December 18, 2023

BERYL A. HOWELL United States District Judge