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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

CAT BROOKS and RASHEED
SHABAZZ, individually and on behalf of
all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

THOMSON REUTERS CORPORATION,
Defendant.

Case No. 4:21-cv-01418-EMC

**[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING
DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO DISMISS
PURSUANT TO FRCP 12(b)(6), AND
MOTION TO STRIKE PURSUANT TO
CALIFORNIA CODE OF CIVIL
PROCEDURE § 425.16**

Date: June 3, 2021
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Place: Courtroom 5, 17th Floor
Judge: Hon. Edward M. Chen

1 Before the Court is Defendant's Motion to Dismiss Pursuant to Federal Rule of Procedure
2 12(b)(6) and Motion to Strike Pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure § 425.16.

3 Having considered the papers and arguments, the Court finds that for the reasons set forth
4 in Defendant's Motion to Dismiss, Plaintiffs have failed to establish the essential elements of their
5 claims; Defendant's speech is protected by the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, and
6 Plaintiffs' private interests do not outweigh the public interest in the dissemination of the
7 information at issue; and Plaintiffs seek to impose liability on Defendant for conduct that is
8 protected by Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act, 28 U.S.C. § 230. Accordingly, the
9 Court hereby **GRANTS** Defendant's Motion to Dismiss.

10 Further, for the reasons set forth in Defendant's Motion to Strike, the Court hereby
11 **GRANTS** Defendant's Motion to Strike Pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure § 425.16.
12 Defendants shall submit any motion for attorneys' fees and costs no later than _____. *See*
13 Cal. Code. Civ. Proc. § 425.16(c)(1) ("[A] prevailing defendant on a special motion to strike shall
14 be entitled to recover his or her attorney's fees and costs.").

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17 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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19 DATED: _____, 2021

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The Honorable Edward M. Chen
United States District Judge