

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI
DELTA DIVISION**

**TAMMY WILLIAMS, EARL RUSSELL and
CHERYL HAMBRICK,**

PLAINTIFFS

VERSUS

CIVIL ACTION NO.: 2:05CV83-P-B

**JAMES RILEY, in his official capacity as
Sheriff of DeSoto County Mississippi,
STEVE ATKINSON, individually and
in his official capacity as jail administrator
of Desoto County, Mississippi,**

DEFENDANTS

**VERDICT FORM INCORPORATING
SPECIAL INTERROGATORIES**

As to Desoto County:

1. Do you find from a preponderance of the evidence that Desoto County caused a violation of Plaintiff Tammy Williams' First Amendment free speech rights?

YES NO

2. Do you find from a preponderance of the evidence that Desoto County caused a violation of Plaintiff Earl Russell's First Amendment free speech rights?

YES NO

3. Do you find from a preponderance of the evidence that Desoto County caused a violation of Plaintiff Cheryl Hambrick's First Amendment free speech rights?

YES NO

4. Do you find from a preponderance of the evidence that Plaintiff Tammy Williams was terminated because she reported or refused to perform an illegal act?

YES NO

5. Do you find from a preponderance of the evidence that Plaintiff Earl Russell was terminated because he reported or refused to perform an illegal act?

YES NO

6. Do you find from a preponderance of the evidence that Plaintiff Cheryl Hambrick was terminated because she reported or refused to perform an illegal act?

YES NO

As to Steve Atkinson:

7. Do you find from a preponderance of the evidence that Steve Atkinson caused a violation of Plaintiff Tammy Williams' First Amendment free speech rights?

YES NO

8. Do you find from a preponderance of the evidence that Steve Atkinson caused a violation of Plaintiff Earl Russell's First Amendment free speech rights?

YES NO

9. Do you find from a preponderance of the evidence that Steve Atkinson caused a violation of Plaintiff Cheryl Hambrick's First Amendment free speech rights?

YES NO

10. Do you find from a preponderance of the evidence that Defendant Steve Atkinson is liable to plaintiffs for malicious interference with employment?

YES NO

As to Damages:

11. If you answered any one or more of the above interrogatories as "YES" as to Plaintiff Tammy Williams, what amount of total damages do you award her?

\$ 182,000.00

12. If you answered any one or more of the above interrogatories as "YES" as to Plaintiff Cheryl Hambrick, what amount of total damages do you award her?

\$ 215,000.00

13. If you answered any one or more of the above interrogatories as "YES" as to Plaintiff Earl Russell, what amount of total damages do you award him?

\$ 174,000.00

Ans Brown

Foreperson

1/12/12

Date

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**VERDICT FORM
PUNITIVE DAMAGES**

As to the issue of punitive damages:

We, the jury find:

1. As to Tammy Williams

For the plaintiff For the defendant

If your verdict is for the plaintiff Tammy Williams, enter the amount of punitive damages awarded: \$50,000

2. As to Earl Russell

For the plaintiff For the defendant

If your verdict is for the plaintiff Earl Russell, enter the amount of punitive damages awarded:
\$50,000

3. As to Cheryl Hambrick

For the plaintiff

For the defendant

If your verdict is for the plaintiff Cheryl Hambrick, enter the amount of punitive damages awarded: \$50,000



FOREPERSON'S SIGNATURE



DATE