MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS
WESTERN DISTRICT

MICHAEL JAEGER,
APPELLANT

vs.

RESOURCES FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT, INC.,
RESPONDENTS

DOCKET NUMBER WD83141

DATE: JULY 28, 2020

Appeal from:

The Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri
The Honorable Kenneth R. Garrett, III, Judge

Appellate Judges:

Division Three: Anthony Rex Gabbert, Presiding Judge, Edward R. Ardini, Jr. Judge and W. Douglas Thomson, Judge

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MISSOURI APPELLATE COURT OPINION SUMMARY

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Michael Jaeger appeals the dismissal of his petition in the Jackson County Circuit Court. He claims in his sole point on appeal that the trial court erred because his petition stated a cause of action for wrongful termination. The judgment is reversed and the case is remanded.

REVERSED AND REMANDED.

Division Three holds:

Where this court views the facts in a petition for wrongful termination in the light most favorable to the plaintiff and where the plaintiff alleges that there is a rule imposed by a governmental body that clients are entitled to procedural due process prior to the restriction of their rights and where the plaintiff alleges his former employer knew that accepting taxpayer money came with rules it must follow and where the plaintiff alleges that he was fired for reporting his employer's failure to follow those rules, then the petition pleads sufficient facts to survive a motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim.

Opinion by: W. Douglas Thomson, Judge Date: July 28, 2020

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