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Plaintiff,

v.

MOUNTAIRE FARMS, INC.

Defendant.

COMPLAINT (Jury Trial Demanded)

INTRODUCTION

1. This is a civil action seeking damages and equitable relief from Defendant Mountaire Farms, Inc. for its unlawful retaliation against Plaintiff Anthony Vines in violation of the Retaliatory Employment Discrimination Act ("REDA"), N.C. Gen. Stat. § 95-240, *et seq.*, and for wrongful discharge of Plaintiff in violation of North Carolina public policy.

PARTIES

2. Plaintiff Anthony Vines is a resident of Robeson County, North Carolina. Plaintiff was employed at the Mountaire Farms, Inc. chicken processing facility in Lumber Bridge, North Carolina from approximately August 2018 through April 2019. During that period, Plaintiff was an "employee" of Defendant within the meaning of REDA and the common law.

3. Defendant Mountaire Farms, Inc. ("Mountaire") is a company organized and existing under the laws of the State of North Carolina, with its registered office in Raleigh, North Carolina, and places of business in Robeson and Chatham Counties, North Carolina. Mountaire

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pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat § 95-243. Venue is proper in Wake County under N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 1-79(a)(1) and 95-243(a) because Defendant has a registered office in and therefore resides in Wake County.

FACTS

5. The foregoing allegations are incorporated by reference herein.

6. Defendant hired Plaintiff in August of 2018 to perform manual labor in its chicken processing facility in Lumber Bridge, North Carolina.

7. Plaintiff performed his job without ever receiving any written warnings related to his performance.

8. At the time he was hired, Plaintiff filled out a medical questionnaire and disclosed orally to his supervisor, Tiffany Campbell, that he suffered from neuropathy which caused foot pain and made it difficult for him to do certain types of work.

9. Plaintiff was 53 years old when he began working for Defendant.

10. Plaintiff's supervisor, Campbell, regularly made comments to him about his age. For example, when he had difficulty operating the manual forklift because the wheels got jammed, she would remark that he was slow and old. Later, when Plaintiff worked packaging chicken tenders, she continued to comment that he was slow due to his age.

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