

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW
YORK

**Stefan Jeremiah v. DBG Media Publishers of Our Time Press
Incorporated**

Jeremiah · No. 25-CV-1822 (AMD) (CLP) · Decided December 2, 2025

SUMMARY

The Eastern District of New York adopted a magistrate judge’s Report and Recommendation granting the plaintiff’s motion for default judgment in a copyright infringement action. The court awarded \$15,000 in statutory damages, \$5,487.50 in attorney’s fees, and \$465 in costs.

OPINION

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK -----
----- X STEFAN JEREMIAH, Plaintiff,: ORDER ADOPTING
REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION – against –: 25-CV-1822 (AMD) (CLP) DBG MEDIA
PUBLISHERS OF OUR TIME PRESS INCORPORATED,: Defendant. -----
----- X A NN M. DONNELLY, United States District Judge: On April 2,
2025, the plaintiff brought this acti on to recover damages for copyright infringement under the
Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C §101 et seq.

(ECF No. 1.) The plaintiff alleged that he created a photograph of Mayor Eric Adams for which he
“owns the rights and licenses for various uses including online and print publications.” (Id. ¶ 2.)
The plaintiff alleged that the defendant, without the plaintiff’s permission or author ization, copied
and displayed the photograph on a website and social media account that it owns and operates,
and that it engaged in this conduct “knowingly and in violation of the United States copyright
laws.” (Id. ¶¶ 3–5.)

The defendant did not answer the complaint or otherwise appear, and the Clerk of Court filed an
entry of default on June 30, 2025. (ECF No. 12.) On July 10, 2025, the plaintiff filed a motion for
default judgment. (ECF No. 13.)

The following day, the Court referred the motion to Magistrate Judge Cheryl L. Pollak. (ECF
Order dated Jul. 11, 2025.) On November 4, 2025, Judge Pollak issued a Report and
Recommendation recommending that the Court grant the motion. (ECF No. 22.) No party has
filed an objection to the report and recommendation and the time for doing so has passed. A
district court reviewing a report and recommendation “may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or

in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge.” 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) (C).

To accept a report and recommendation to which no timely objection has been made, “a district court need only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record.” *VOX Amplification Ltd. v. Meussdorffer*, 50 F. Supp. 3d 355, 369 (E.D.N.Y. 2014) (citation omitted).

The Court has carefully reviewed Judge Pollak’s well-reasoned report and recommendation for clear error and finds none. Accordingly, the Court adopts the report and recommendation in its entirety. The motion for default judgment is granted, and the plaintiff is awarded \$15,000 in statutory damages, \$5,487.50 in attorney’s fees, and \$465 in costs. SO ORDERED. _ _ _s_/A_n_n_ M_. _D_o_n_n_e_ll_y_____ ANN M. DONNELLY United States District Judge Dated: Brooklyn, New York December 2, 2025