UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

THE ESTATE OF MALKA "MALKI" ROTH, by and through its joint representatives ARNOLD ROTH and FRIMET ROTH; ARNOLD ROTH; and FRIMET ROTH,

Plaintiffs,

v.

AHLAM AREF AHMAD AL-TAMIMI, a/k/a "Khalti," a/k/a "Halati,"

Defendant.

Case No.: 1:26-cv-02836-RCL

ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR SERVICE BY ALTERNATIVE MEANS

The Court has considered Plaintiffs' Motion for Service by Alternative Means, ECF [13] (the "Motion"), filed pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(f)(3), and the entire record in this action. The Court finds as follows:

1. Plaintiffs the Estate of Malka "Malki" Roth, by and through its Joint Representatives Arnold Roth and Frimet Roth; Arnold Roth; and Frimet Roth (collectively, "Plaintiffs"), seek to serve Defendant Ahlam Aref Ahmad Al-Tamimi ("Defendant"). Plaintiffs represent that Defendant is a Jordanian national who resides in Jordan at an unknown address.

2. Rule 4(f)(3) permits service on an individual in a foreign country by other means not prohibited by international agreement, as the court orders. Plaintiffs represent that Jordan is not a party to the Hague Service Convention or to any other international agreement that specifies an agreed-upon form of service. The Court is aware of no international agreement that prohibits the methods of service authorized in this Order.

3. Plaintiffs represent that they tried and failed to find a physical address for Defendant. They also tried and failed to find a direct personal email address or social media account for her. Plaintiffs further represent that Defendant's personal social media accounts have been routinely reported and suspended, and that she currently has no known active personal social media account.

4. Plaintiffs represent that Defendant is a regular columnist for *Etar*, a Jordan-based media outlet. *Etar* can be reached by email at Etarwebsite@gmail.com and on the X platform at @Etarwebsite.

5. Plaintiffs further represent that Defendant is, or has been, represented by Jordanian attorney Mustafa Nasrallah in her fight against extradition to the United States. On information and belief, Mr. Nasrallah can be reached at info@nshr.org.jo, the email address of an organization called the National Society for Human Rights.

6. On these facts, the Court finds that court-ordered service under Rule 4(f)(3) is warranted. The Court further finds that the three methods authorized below, used together, are reasonably calculated under all the circumstances to give Defendant actual notice of this action and an opportunity to be heard.

Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED that the Motion is **GRANTED**; and it is further

ORDERED that, under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(f)(3), Plaintiffs may serve the summons, the Complaint (ECF 1), and this Order on Defendant by using the following methods:

7. **Email.** Plaintiffs shall email the summons, the Complaint, and this Order to Mustafa Nasrallah at info@nshr.org.jo and to *Etar* at Etarwebsite@gmail.com. Each email shall ask the recipient to forward the papers to Defendant.

8. **Website posting.** Plaintiffs shall post the summons, the Complaint, and this Order on the webpage for this action on Plaintiffs' counsel's website, https://www.njaclaw.org.

9. **X posts.** Plaintiffs shall publish posts on the X platform that link to the papers posted under paragraph 8. Each post shall tag *Etar* at @Etarwebsite and shall ask *Etar* to tell its columnist, Defendant, about this lawsuit.

ORDERED that Defendant shall be deemed served on the date the three alternative methods set out above, ¶¶ 7–9, are completed; and it is further

ORDERED that, within [7] days after service is complete, Plaintiffs shall file proof of service under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(l)(2)(B). The proof shall be a declaration of counsel under 28 U.S.C. § 1746 stating the date and manner of each method of service. It shall attach:

- copies of the transmittal emails; and
- screenshots of the website posting and the X posts, and it is further

ORDERED that, under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(a)(1)(A)(i), Defendant shall serve an answer or other response to the Complaint within 21 days after service is complete.

SO ORDERED.

Date: Nov. 2, 2026

Royce C. Lamberth
United States District Judge