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MULTIMEDIA FIRM SUES EX-EMPLOYEE; SAYS HE TOOK DOLPHINS, TEEN PEOPLE JOBS

by **Larry Keller**

Five Star Productions USA Inc. has produced a Miami Dolphins cheerleader video and giant images on stadium and arena scoreboards for teams such as the Dolphins, the Heat and the Panthers. But the company finds nothing sporting about the actions of a former employee who it says is stealing some of its best clients.

When the employee, William Horneck, voluntarily left the Delray Beach company last August to start his own multimedia business, he picked off the Dolphins calendar job, a Teen People magazine gig and a Dolphins kick-off dinner video that previously were Five

Star assignments, the company contends.

"Obviously, these are prestigious clients," says **Kenneth Lipman**, a partner at **Siegel Lipman Dunay & Shepard** in Boca Raton who has filed suit in **Palm Beach Circuit Court** on behalf of Five Star. The suit alleges that Horneck violated a noncompete clause in his employment contract.

Five Star, an Emmy Award-winning multimedia company founded in 1993, is seeking temporary and permanent injunctions against Horneck, plus compensatory damages, attorney fees and costs, and the right to amend its complaint later to claim punitive damages.

"I don't have a comment at this

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