



Defamation 5: Publication

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Publication

- Communication to one third party is all that is necessary.
- *That's all there is to the rule, you just have to believe it!*

Is it published?

- If you make a defamatory statement in the forest and no one is around to hear it?
 - No.
- If you "self-publish" a book, using your own money, and sell one copy to a stranger on eBay?
 - Yes.
- If you communicate it only to the allegedly defamed plaintiff?
 - No.
- If you say but not write it, and people hear it?
 - Yes.