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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

CASIO INC.
570 Mount Pleasant Avenue
Dover, New Jersey 07801

Plaintiff,

-against-

PAPST LICENSING GMBH & CO. KG
Bahnhofstr. 33
78112 St. Georgen
Germany

Defendant.

COMPLAINT

CASE NUMBER 1:06CV01751
JUDGE: Gladys Kessler
DECK TYPE: General Civil
DATE STAMP: 10/16/2006

JURY ACTION

Plaintiff Casio, Inc. ("Casio"), for its Complaint against Defendant Papst Licensing GmbH & Co. KG ("Papst Licensing"), alleges and states as follows:

NATURE OF ACTION

1. This action arises under the Declaratory Judgment Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202 and the patent laws of the United States, Title 35 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.

THE PARTIES

2. Casio is a New York corporation in the business of, among other things, selling electronic goods, with its principal place of business located at 570 Mount Pleasant Avenue, Dover, New Jersey 07801.

3. On information and belief, Defendant Papst Licensing is a German partnership in the business of licensing, enforcing, and commercializing U.S. Patents and other forms of

intellectual property, with its principal place of business located at Bahnhofstrasse 33, 78112 St. Georgen, Germany.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

4. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338.

5. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Papst Licensing pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 293.

6. Venue is proper in this judicial district at least pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(c).

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

7. Casio imports, markets and sells electronic goods in the United States including digital cameras.

8. On information and belief, Papst Licensing owns various United States patents, has filed numerous patent infringement suits in the United States to enforce its rights under those patents, and has negotiated numerous license agreements with a variety of United States companies relating to those patent rights.

9. Papst Licensing claims to be the owner of U.S. Patent Nos. 6,895,449 ("the '449 patent") and 6,470,399 ("the '399 patent").

10. Papst Licensing has accused Casio of infringing upon both the '449 and '399 patents. For example, in a letter dated March 14, 2006, Papst Licensing accused Casio of infringing the '449 and '399 patents. Papst Licensing has repeated its accusations on numerous occasions since that time.

11. Casio responded with a detailed analysis of why it does not infringe the '449 patent or the '399 patent.

12. Notwithstanding, Papst Licensing demanded, among other things, that Casio pay it royalties for the use of the '449 and '399 patents in Casio's digital cameras that have been sold in the United States. Papst Licensing offered to license the '449 and '399 patents to Casio. Casio has rejected Papst Licensing's demands for payment of royalties and Papst Licensing's offer to license its '449 and '399 patents.

13. Papst Licensing has asserted and continues to assert, that the '449 and '399 patents are infringed by Casio.

COUNT ONE

DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF NON-INFRINGEMENT AND INVALIDITY OF THE '449 PATENT

14. Casio repeats and realleges the averments of paragraphs 1-13 as if fully set forth herein.

15. There is an actual controversy between Casio and Papst as to the infringement and the validity of the '449 patent.

16. Casio has not infringed and does not infringe the '449 patent.

17. The '449 patent is invalid for failure to comply with the patent laws of the United States, including the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102, 103, and/or 112.

COUNT TWO

DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF NON-INFRINGEMENT AND INVALIDITY OF THE '399 PATENT

18. Casio repeats and realleges the averments of paragraphs 1-17 as if fully set forth herein.

19. There is an actual controversy between Casio and Papst as to the infringement and the validity of the '399 patent.

20. Casio has not infringed and does not infringe the '399 patent.

21. The '399 patent is invalid for failure to comply with the patent laws of the United States, including the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102, 103, and/or 112.

JURY DEMAND

22. Casio demands a trial by jury.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE Plaintiff Casio Inc. respectfully requests that the Court enter judgment against Papst Licensing GMbH & Co. KG, including:

a. a declaration that Casio Inc. has not infringed, and is not infringing the '449 and '399 patents;

b. a declaration that each of the claims of the '449 and '399 patents are invalid;

c. an injunction prohibiting Papst Licensing from alleging infringement of the '449 and '399 patents by Casio Inc.;

d. an award of damages Casio Inc. has sustained;

e. a declaration that this case is an "exceptional case" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 285 due to, *inter alia,* the above actions of Papst Licensing;

f. an award of costs and attorneys fees and other expenses Casio Inc. has been forced to incur; and

g. such further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

October 13, 2006

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CIVIL COVER SHEET

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(Rev.1/05 DC)

I (a) PLAINTIFFS

CASIO INC.
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(b) COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF 88888
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

DEFENDANTS

PAPST LICENSING GMBH & CO. KG

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED DEFENDANT
(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)
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JURY ACTION

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION
(PLACE AN x IN ONE BOX ONLY)

- ○ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff
- ◉ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
- ○ 2 U.S. Government Defendant
- ○ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in item III)

III CITIZ
FOR PLAINTIFF AND ONE BOX FOR DEFENDANT

	PTF	DFT		PTF	DFT
Citizen of this State	○ 1	○ 1	Incorporated or Principal Place of Business in This State	○ 4	○ 4
Citizen of Another State	○ 2	○ 2	Incorporated and Principal Place of Business in Another State	○ 5	○ 5
Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country	○ 3	○ 3	Foreign Nation	○ 6	○ 6

IV. CASE ASSIGNMENT AND NATURE OF SUIT

(Place a X in one category, A-N, that best represents your cause of action and one in a corresponding Nature of Suit)

○ A. *Antitrust*

- ☐ 410 Antitrust

○ B. *Personal Injury/ Malpractice*

- ☐ 310 Airplane
- ☐ 315 Airplane Product Liability
- ☐ 320 Assault, Libel & Slander
- ☐ 330 Federal Employers Liability
- ☐ 340 Marine
- ☐ 345 Marine Product Liability
- ☐ 350 Motor Vehicle
- ☐ 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability
- ☐ 360 Other Personal Injury
- ☐ 362 Medical Malpractice
- ☐ 365 Product Liability
- ☐ 368 Asbestos Product Liability

○ C. *Administrative Agency Review*

- ☐ 151 Medicare Act

Social Security:
- ☐ 861 HIA ((1395ff)
- ☐ 862 Black Lung (923)
- ☐ 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)
- ☐ 864 SSID Title XVI
- ☐ 865 RSI (405(g)

Other Statutes
- ☐ 891 Agricultural Acts
- ☐ 892 Economic Stabilization Act
- ☐ 893 Environmental Matters
- ☐ 894 Energy Allocation Act
- ☐ 890 Other Statutory Actions (If Administrative Agency is Involved)

○ D. *Temporary Restraining Order/Preliminary Injunction*

Any nature of suit from any category may be selected for this category of case assignment.

(If Antitrust, then A governs)

◉ E. *General Civil (Other)* OR **○ F. *Pro Se General Civil***

Real Property
- ☐ 210 Land Condemnation
- ☐ 220 Foreclosure
- ☐ 230 Rent, Lease & Ejectment
- ☐ 240 Torts to Land
- ☐ 245 Tort Product Liability
- ☐ 290 All Other Real Property

Personal Property
- ☐ 370 Other Fraud
- ☐ 371 Truth in Lending
- ☐ 380 Other Personal Property Damage
- ☐ 385 Property Damage Product Liability

Bankruptcy
- ☐ 422 Appeal 28 USC 158
- ☐ 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157

Prisoner Petitions
- ☐ 535 Death Penalty
- ☐ 540 Mandamus & Other
- ☐ 550 Civil Rights
- ☐ 555 Prison Condition

Property Rights
- ☐ 820 Copyrights
- ☒ 830 Patent
- ☐ 840 Trademark

Federal Tax Suits
- ☐ 870 Taxes (US plaintiff or defendant
- ☐ 871 IRS-Third Party 26 USC 7609

Forfeiture/Penalty
- ☐ 610 Agriculture
- ☐ 620 Other Food &Drug
- ☐ 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881
- ☐ 630 Liquor Laws
- ☐ 640 RR & Truck
- ☐ 650 Airline Regs
- ☐ 660 Occupational Safety/Health
- ☐ 690 Other

Other Statutes
- ☐ 400 State Reapportionment
- ☐ 430 Banks & Banking
- ☐ 450 Commerce/ICC Rates/etc.
- ☐ 460 Deportation
- ☐ 470 Racketeer Influenced & Corrupt Organizations
- ☐ 480 Consumer Credit
- ☐ 490 Cable/Satellite TV
- ☐ 810 Selective Service
- ☐ 850 Securities/Commodities/ Exchange
- ☐ 875 Customer Challenge 12 USC 3410
- ☐ 900 Appeal of fee determination under equal access to Justice
- ☐ 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes
- ☐ 890 Other Statutory Actions (if not administrative agency review or Privacy Act

G. *Habeas Corpus/ 2255*	H. *Employment Discrimination*	I. *FOIA/PRIVACY ACT*	J. *Student Loan*
☐ 530 Habeas Corpus-General ☐ 510 Motion/Vacate Sentence	☐ 442 Civil Rights-Employment (criteria: race, gender/sex, national origin, discrimination, disability age, religion, retaliation) *(If pro se, select this deck)*	☐ 895 Freedom of Information Act ☐ 890 Other Statutory Actions (if Privacy Act) *(If pro se, select this deck)*	☐ 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (excluding veterans)

K. *Labor/ERISA (non-employment)*	L. *Other Civil Rights (non-employment)*	M. *Contract*	N. *Three-Judge Court*
☐ 710 Fair Labor Standards Act ☐ 720 Labor/Mgmt. Relations ☐ 730 Labor/Mgmt. Reporting & Disclosure Act ☐ 740 Labor Railway Act ☐ 790 Other Labor Litigation ☐ 791 Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act	☐ 441 Voting (if not Voting Rights Act) ☐ 443 Housing/Accommodations ☐ 444 Welfare ☐ 440 Other Civil Rights ☐ 445 American w/Disabilities-Employment ☐ 446 Americans w/Disabilities-Other	☐ 110 Insurance ☐ 120 Marine ☐ 130 Miller Act ☐ 140 Negotiable Instrument ☐ 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment ☐ 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits ☐ 160 Stockholder's Suits ☐ 190 Other Contracts ☐ 195 Contract Product Liability ☐ 196 Franchise	☐ 441 Civil Rights-Voting (if Voting Rights Act)

V. ORIGIN

◉ 1 Original Proceeding ○ 2 Removed from State Court ○ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court ○ 4 Reinstated or Reopened ○ 5 Transferred from another district (specify) ○ 6 Multi district Litigation ○ 7 Appeal to District Judge from Mag. Judge

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U.S. CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE.)

DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF NON-INFRINGEMENT AND INVALIDITY OF U.S. PATENTS, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202 and 35 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT ☐ CHECK IF THIS IS A **CLASS ACTION** UNDER F.R.C.P. 23 **DEMAND $** Check YES only if demanded in compla

JURY DEMAND: YES ☒ NO ☐

VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY (See instruction) YES ☐ NO ☒ If yes, please complete related case form.

DATE October 13, 2006 **SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD** J. Kevin Fee (by JMB)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET JS-44
Authority for Civil Cover Sheet

The **JS-44** civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replaces nor supplements the filings and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. Consequently a civil cover sheet is submitted to the Clerk of Court for each civil complaint filed. Listed below are tips for completing the civil cover sheet. These tips coincide with the Roman Numerals on the Cover Sheet.

I. COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF/DEFENDANT (b) County of residence: Use 11001 to indicate plaintiff is resident of Washington, D.C.; 88888 if plaintiff is resident of the United States but not of Washington, D.C., and 99999 if plaintiff is outside the United States.

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES: This section is completed only if diversity of citizenship was selected as the Basis of Jurisdiction under Section **II.**

IV. CASE ASSIGNMENT AND NATURE OF SUIT: The assignment of a judge to your case will depend on the category you select that best represents the primary cause of action found in your complaint. You may select only one category. You must also select one corresponding nature of suit found under the category of case.

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION: Cite the US Civil Statute under which you are filing and write a brief statement of the primary cause.

VIII. RELATED CASES, IF ANY: If you indicated that there is a related case, you must complete a related case form, which may be obtained from the Clerk's Office.

Because of the need for accurate and complete information, you should ensure the accuracy of the information provided prior to signing the form.

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