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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

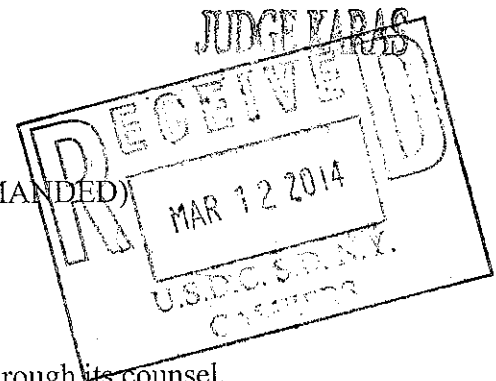
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BALL CHAIN MANUFACTURING CO., :
INC., :
Plaintiff, :
-against- :
BISON DESIGNS, LLC, :
Defendant. :
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ECF CASE

Civil Action No.:

COMPLAINT

(JURY TRIAL DEMANDED)



Plaintiff, Ball Chain Manufacturing Co., Inc. ("BCM"), by and through its counsel,
Tashjian & Padian, hereby complains against defendant Bison Designs, LLC ("Defendant") and
alleges as follows:

INTRODUCTION

1. Among other things, BCM seeks a declaratory judgment that United States Patent Nos. D454,054 (the "'054 Patent"), D447,681 (the "'681 Patent"), D465,993 (the "'993 Patent"), D447,932 (the "'932 Patent"), D487,014 (the "'014 Patent") and D449,500 (the "'500 Patent") (collectively, the "Subject Patents"), allegedly owned by Defendant, are invalid and/or unenforceable. True and correct copies of the Subject Patents are attached hereto as **Exhibits A-F**, respectively.

2. Defendant, through its agents and otherwise, asserted in conversations with BCM and in correspondence to BCM and its counsel dated March 4, 2014, March 7, 2014 and

March 10, 2014 that BCM's sales of certain metal accessories including but not limited to the "Star, circle, fish, dog bone, and heart shaped carabiners" and the "guitar shaped bottle opener" (collectively "Accused Products") infringe the Subject Patents and suggested that if BCM were to enter into a cooperative license agreement with Defendant "you may not have any interruption in your business deliveries." A true and correct copy of the e-mail correspondence between the parties is attached hereto as **Exhibit G**.

3. Defendants' actions give rise to a reasonable apprehension of suit on the part of BCM and a resulting case or controversy between the parties relating to the Subject Patents.

4. The Accused Products offered in the US market do not infringe any of the claims of the Subject Patents.

5. Accordingly, BCM asks this Court to declare the Subject Patents invalid and unenforceable, and further to declare that BCM's Accused Products do not infringe the Subject Patents.

THE PARTIES

6. BCM is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, with its principal place of business at 741 South Fulton Avenue, Mount Vernon, New York 10550.

7. Upon information and belief, Defendant is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Colorado, with its principal place of business at 735 South Lincoln Street, Longmont, Colorado 80501.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

8. This Court has original jurisdiction over the subject matter of these claims pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 (Federal Question), 1338(a) (Patents and Unfair Competition),

and 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201(a) (Declaratory Judgment), and by virtue of 28 U.S.C. § 1338(b), and supplemental jurisdiction, 28 U.S.C. § 1367.

9. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(a) and 1391(b).

10. Upon information and belief, Defendant conducts continuous, regular and systematic business within the State of New York, has contracted to supply goods or services within the State of New York directly through sale of product on its website and through retailers such as REI and Petco, and has otherwise purposefully availed itself of the privileges and benefits of the laws of the State of New York.

FACTS

11. On March 4, 2014, Bill Taubner, Vice President of BCM, was contacted by Brian Kelleghan of Defendant by telephone. Mr. Kelleghan told Mr. Taubner that upon viewing BCM's website, he had noticed several carabiners and a bottle opener that he believed infringed Defendant's patents. He suggested that BCM might be willing to enter into a license agreement to license Defendant's design patents in order for BCM to continue selling the Accused Products. *See Exhibit G.*

12. On March 4, 2014, Mr. Kelleghan again contacted Mr. Taubner by e-mail. Mr. Kelleghan's e-mail stated that "I have found it easier to make a direct contact to the decision maker in a company that appears to be inadvertently infringing our patents rather than sending a cease and desist letter without notice." *See Exhibit G.*

13. Mr. Kelleghan's March 4, 2014 e-mail also mentioned that "I do have experience doing this 66 times since 2001." *See Exhibit G.*

14. Mr. Kelleghan's March 4, 2014 e-mail enclosed a list of Defendant's patents and mentioned that "I see several products offered in your product line that are exact copies of our designs." *See* Exhibit G.

15. Mr. Kelleghan's March 4, 2014 e-mail further suggested that if BCM were to enter into a cooperative license agreement with Defendant "you may not have any interruption in your business deliveries." *See* Exhibit G.

16. On March 5, 2014, Mr. Taubner e-mailed Mr. Kelleghan and asked him to "[p]lease identify which of [BCM's] products you deem infringes your patents so that we may respond to these allegations." *See* Exhibit G.

17. On March 7, 2014, Mr. Kelleghan responded to Mr. Taubner, stating in part as follows:

I didn't do an extensive view of your website but only looked at two pages that were enough to start our discussions.

I saw infringing carabiners and a bottle opener. I have patents on Star, circle, fish, dog bone, and heart shaped carabiners. And I have a patent on the guitar shaped bottle opener I saw on your site too.

See Exhibit G.

18. Mr. Taubner responded to Mr. Kelleghan's March 7, 2014 e-mail on March 9, 2014 by asking that Mr. Kelleghan "please direct all future correspondence to our lawyer, Gerald Padian gpadian@tashpad.com." *See* Exhibit G.

19. On March 7, 2014, counsel for BCM sent a letter to Mr. Kelleghan by e-mail and regular mail, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit H**, in response to Defendants' accusations of patent infringement by BCM.

20. Counsel's March 7, 2014 letter to Mr. Kelleghan stated as follows:

We have reviewed your various design patents, most of which are for carabiners in the shape of obvious and basic symbols. There does not appear to be anything novel about your designs, and therefore there is a very high likelihood that in any subsequent litigation, re-examination or review of your patents they would be found to be invalid due to, *inter alia*, obviousness and/or on the basis of prior art.

Notwithstanding the above, BCM does not manufacture the subject carabiners and has not sold any carabiners in any of the shapes allegedly covered by your design patents. BCM has removed the subject carabiners from its website and is not marketing or selling same.

See Exhibit H.

21. On March 10, 2014 at 12:21 a.m. EDT, Mr. Kelleghan e-mailed Mr. Taubner and Mr. Padian. Mr. Kelleghan failed to address the March 7, 2014 letter and instead suggested that “Bill and I have a conversation regarding licensing possibilities including his continued sales of our designs....” See Exhibit G.

22. Mr. Kelleghan’s March 10, 2014 e-mail also raised the possibility of litigation. See Exhibit G.

23. On March 10, 2014 at 9:33 a.m. EDT, Mr. Padian again e-mailed Mr. Kelleghan, forwarding a copy of the March 7, 2014 letter and stating “we await your response to the enclosed correspondence.” A copy of this e-mail is attached hereto as **Exhibit I**.

24. To date, Mr. Kelleghan has failed to respond to the substance of the March 7, 2014 letter.

25. Defendant’s actions give rise to a reasonable apprehension of suit on the part of BCM and a resulting case or controversy between the parties relating to the Subject Patents.

26. While BCM does not manufacture the Accused Products and sales of the Accused Products have been *de minimis*, if any, BCM has taken meaningful preparations to market the Accused Products for sale, including but not limited paying for samples of the Accused Product

from the manufacturer, determining pricing for the Accused Product, and advertising the Accused Product on BCM's website.

27. The Accused Products offered in the US market do not infringe any of the claims of the Subject Patents.

28. The Subject Patents are, upon information and belief, invalid for failure to satisfy the requirements for patentability of one or more of the sections of the Patent Act, Title 35, United States Code (hereinafter "35 U.S.C.").

29. The Subject Patents are, upon information and belief, invalid for failure to meet the conditions of patentability of one or more of the subsections of 35 U.S.C. § 102.

30. The Subject Patents are, upon information and belief, invalid for failure to meet the conditions of patentability of one or more of the subsections of 35 U.S.C. § 103.

31. The prior art so limits and restricts the scope of the Subject Patents' claims that BCM and its customers cannot be considered to have infringed Defendant's rights.

FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF
DECLATORY JUDGMENT OF NON INFRINGEMENT OF
US PATENT NO. D454,054

32. BCM hereby incorporates all of the preceding allegations of this Complaint into the First Claim of Relief as though set forth fully herein.

33. Defendant claims that it is the owner of the '054 Patent.

34. BCM is engaged in the business of selling metal products and related accessories.

35. Defendant, through its agents and otherwise, asserted in conversations with BCM and through correspondence to BCM dated March 4, 2014 and March 7, 2014 that BCM's sale of carabiners and bottle openers, including but not limited to the "circle...shaped carabiner()"

infringes the '054 Patent and suggested that if BCM were to enter into a cooperative license agreement with Defendant "you may not have any interruption in your business deliveries."

36. Defendants' actions give rise to a reasonable apprehension of suit on the part of BCM and a resulting case or controversy between the parties relating to the '054 Patent.

37. BCM's sale, use and/or importation of the Accused Products is not an infringement of the '054 Patent.

38. An actual controversy exists between BCM and Defendant regarding the issue of whether the '054 Patent is infringed by BCM.

39. BCM therefore requests a declaratory judgment that BCM does not infringe the '054 Patent.

40. Wherefore, BCM prays for judgment as set forth hereinafter.

SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF
DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF PATENT INVALIDITY OF
U.S. PATENT NO. D454,054

41. BCM hereby incorporates all of the preceding allegations of this Complaint into the Second Claim of Relief as though set forth fully herein.

42. BCM is informed and believes that the claims of the '054 Patent are invalid for failure to comply with 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, and/or 103.

43. An actual controversy exists between BCM and Defendant regarding whether the '054 Patent is valid.

44. BCM therefore requests a declaratory judgment pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202 that one or more claims of the '054 Patent are invalid for failure to meet the conditions of patentability and/or otherwise comply with one or more of the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, or 103.

45. Wherefore, BCM prays for judgment as set forth hereinafter.

THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF
DECLATORY JUDGMENT OF NON INFRINGEMENT OF
US PATENT NO. D447,681

46. BCM hereby incorporates all of the preceding allegations of this Complaint into the Third Claim of Relief as though set forth fully herein.

47. Defendant claims that it is the owner of the '681 Patent.

48. BCM is engaged in the business of selling metal products and related accessories.

49. Defendant, through its agents and otherwise, asserted in conversations with BCM and through correspondence to BCM dated March 4, 2014 and March 7, 2014 that BCM's sale of carabiners and bottle openers, including but not limited to the "dog bone...shaped carabiner()" infringes the '681 Patent and suggested that if BCM were to enter into a cooperative license agreement with Defendant "you may not have any interruption in your business deliveries."

50. Defendants' actions give rise to a reasonable apprehension of suit on the part of BCM and a resulting case or controversy between the parties relating to the '681 Patent.

51. BCM's sale, use and/or importation of the Accused Products is not an infringement of the '681 Patent.

52. An actual controversy exists between BCM and Defendant regarding the issue of whether the '681 Patent is infringed by BCM.

53. BCM therefore requests a declaratory judgment that BCM does not infringe the '681 Patent.

54. Wherefore, BCM prays for judgment as set forth hereinafter.

FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF PATENT INVALIDITY OF
U.S. PATENT NO. D447,681

55. BCM hereby incorporates all of the preceding allegations of this Complaint into the Fourth Claim of Relief as though set forth fully herein.

56. BCM is informed and believes that the claims of the '681 Patent are invalid for failure to comply with 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, and/or 103.

57. An actual controversy exists between BCM and Defendant regarding whether the '681 Patent is valid.

58. BCM therefore requests a declaratory judgment pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202 that one or more claims of the '681 Patent are invalid for failure to meet the conditions of patentability and/or otherwise comply with one or more of the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, or 103.

59. Wherefore, BCM prays for judgment as set forth hereinafter.

FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF NON INFRINGEMENT OF
US PATENT NO. D465,993

60. BCM hereby incorporates all of the preceding allegations of this Complaint into the Fifth Claim of Relief as though set forth fully herein.

61. Defendant claims that it is the owner of the '993 Patent.

62. BCM is engaged in the business of selling metal products and related accessories.

63. Defendant, through its agents and otherwise, asserted in conversations with BCM and through correspondence to BCM dated March 4, 2014 and March 7, 2014 that BCM's sale of carabiners and bottle openers, including but not limited to the "fish...shaped carabiner()"

infringes the '993 Patent and suggested that if BCM were to enter into a cooperative license agreement with Defendant "you may not have any interruption in your business deliveries."

64. Defendants' actions give rise to a reasonable apprehension of suit on the part of BCM and a resulting case or controversy between the parties relating to the '993 Patent.

65. BCM's sale, use and/or importation of the Accused Products is not an infringement of the '993 Patent.

66. An actual controversy exists between BCM and Defendant regarding the issue of whether the '993 Patent is infringed by BCM.

67. BCM therefore requests a declaratory judgment that BCM does not infringe the '993 Patent.

68. Wherefore, BCM prays for judgment as set forth hereinafter.

SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF PATENT INVALIDITY OF
U.S. PATENT NO. D465,993

69. BCM hereby incorporates all of the preceding allegations of this Complaint into the Sixth Claim of Relief as though set forth fully herein.

70. BCM is informed and believes that the claims of the '993 Patent are invalid for failure to comply with 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, and/or 103.

71. An actual controversy exists between BCM and Defendant regarding whether the '993 Patent is valid.

72. BCM therefore requests a declaratory judgment pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202 that one or more claims of the '993 Patent are invalid for failure to meet the conditions of patentability and/or otherwise comply with one or more of the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, or 103.

73. Wherefore, BCM prays for judgment as set forth hereinafter.

SEVENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF NON INFRINGEMENT OF
US PATENT NO. D447,932

74. BCM hereby incorporates all of the preceding allegations of this Complaint into the Seventh Claim of Relief as though set forth fully herein.

75. Defendant claims that it is the owner of the '932 Patent.

76. BCM is engaged in the business of selling metal products and related accessories.

77. Defendant, through its agents and otherwise, asserted in conversations with BCM and through correspondence to BCM dated March 4, 2014 and March 7, 2014 that BCM's sale of carabiners and bottle openers, including but not limited to the "heart...shaped carabiner()" infringes the '932 Patent and suggested that if BCM were to enter into a cooperative license agreement with Defendant "you may not have any interruption in your business deliveries."

78. Defendants' actions give rise to a reasonable apprehension of suit on the part of BCM and a resulting case or controversy between the parties relating to the '932 Patent.

79. BCM's sale, use and/or importation of the Accused Products is not an infringement of the '932 Patent.

80. An actual controversy exists between BCM and Defendant regarding the issue of whether the '932 Patent is infringed by BCM.

81. BCM therefore requests a declaratory judgment that BCM does not infringe the '932 Patent.

82. Wherefore, BCM prays for judgment as set forth hereinafter.

EIGHTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF PATENT INVALIDITY OF
U.S. PATENT NO. D447,932

83. BCM hereby incorporates all of the preceding allegations of this Complaint into the Eighth Claim of Relief as though set forth fully herein.

84. BCM is informed and believes that the claims of the '932 Patent are invalid for failure to comply with 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, and/or 103.

85. An actual controversy exists between BCM and Defendant regarding whether the '932 Patent is valid.

86. BCM therefore requests a declaratory judgment pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202 that one or more claims of the '932 Patent are invalid for failure to meet the conditions of patentability and/or otherwise comply with one or more of the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, or 103.

87. Wherefore, BCM prays for judgment as set forth hereinafter.

NINTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF NON INFRINGEMENT OF
US PATENT NO. D487,014

88. BCM hereby incorporates all of the preceding allegations of this Complaint into the Ninth Claim of Relief as though set forth fully herein.

89. Defendant claims that it is the owner of the '014 Patent.

90. BCM is engaged in the business of selling metal products and related accessories.

91. Defendant, through its agents and otherwise, asserted in conversations with BCM and through correspondence to BCM dated March 4, 2014 and March 7, 2014 that BCM's sale of carabiners and bottle openers, including but not limited to the "heart...shaped carabiner()"

infringes the '014 Patent and suggested that if BCM were to enter into a cooperative license agreement with Defendant "you may not have any interruption in your business deliveries."

92. Defendants' actions give rise to a reasonable apprehension of suit on the part of BCM and a resulting case or controversy between the parties relating to the '014 Patent.

93. BCM's sale, use and/or importation of the Accused Products is not an infringement of the '014 Patent.

94. An actual controversy exists between BCM and Defendant regarding the issue of whether the '014 Patent is infringed by BCM.

95. BCM therefore requests a declaratory judgment that BCM does not infringe the '014 Patent.

96. Wherefore, BCM prays for judgment as set forth hereinafter.

TENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF PATENT INVALIDITY OF
U.S. PATENT NO. D487,014

97. BCM hereby incorporates all of the preceding allegations of this Complaint into the Tenth Claim of Relief as though set forth fully herein.

98. BCM is informed and believes that the claims of the '014 Patent are invalid for failure to comply with 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, and/or 103.

99. An actual controversy exists between BCM and Defendant regarding whether the '014 Patent is valid.

100. BCM therefore requests a declaratory judgment pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202 that one or more claims of the '014 Patent are invalid for failure to meet the conditions of patentability and/or otherwise comply with one or more of the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, or 103.

101. Wherefore, BCM prays for judgment as set forth hereinafter.

ELEVENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
DECLATORY JUDGMENT OF NON INFRINGEMENT OF
US PATENT NO. D449,500

102. BCM hereby incorporates all of the preceding allegations of this Complaint into the Eleventh Claim of Relief as though set forth fully herein.

103. Defendant claims that it is the owner of the '500 Patent.

104. BCM is engaged in the business of selling metal products and related accessories.

105. Defendant, through its agents and otherwise, asserted in conversations with BCM and through correspondence to BCM dated March 4, 2014 and March 7, 2014 that BCM's sale of carabiners and bottle openers, including but not limited to the "guitar shaped bottle opener" infringes the '500 Patent and suggested that if BCM were to enter into a cooperative license agreement with Defendant "you may not have any interruption in your business deliveries."

106. Defendants' actions give rise to a reasonable apprehension of suit on the part of BCM and a resulting case or controversy between the parties relating to the '500 Patent.

107. BCM's sale, use and/or importation of the Accused Products is not an infringement of the '500 Patent.

108. An actual controversy exists between BCM and Defendant regarding the issue of whether the '500 Patent is infringed by BCM.

109. BCM therefore requests a declaratory judgment that BCM does not infringe the '500 Patent.

110. Wherefore, BCM prays for judgment as set forth hereinafter.

TWELFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF PATENT INVALIDITY OF
U.S. PATENT NO. D449,500

111. BCM hereby incorporates all of the preceding allegations of this Complaint into the Twelfth Claim of Relief as though set forth fully herein.

112. BCM is informed and believes that the claims of the '500 Patent are invalid for failure to comply with 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, and/or 103.

113. An actual controversy exists between BCM and Defendant regarding whether the '500 Patent is valid.

114. BCM therefore requests a declaratory judgment pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202 that one or more claims of the '500 Patent are invalid for failure to meet the conditions of patentability and/or otherwise comply with one or more of the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, or 103.

115. Wherefore, BCM prays for judgment as set forth hereinafter.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, BCM prays for the following relief:

- A. That the Court declare that BCM did not, does not and has not infringed, directly, contributorily, or by inducement, the Subject Patents;
- B. That the Court declare that the Subject Patents are invalid;
- C. That the Court declare that the Subject Patents are unenforceable;
- D. That Defendant, its respective officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys, and all others in active concert or participation with Defendant, and each of them, be preliminarily and permanently enjoined and restrained from:

- From making any claims to any person or entity that BCM 's products infringe the Subject Patents;
- From interfering with, or threatening to interfere with, the manufacture, sale, license, distribution, or use of the Accused Products by BCM, its allied parties, suppliers, distributors, customers, licensees, successors or assigns, and others;
- From instituting or prosecuting any lawsuit or proceeding, placing in issue the right of BCM, its allied parties, suppliers, distributors, customers, licensees, successors or assigns, and others to make, use, or sell the Accused Products;

E. That this Court award BCM its reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of suit herein;
and

F. That this Court grant BCM such other and further relief as the Court deems appropriate.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

BCM hereby demands a trial by jury in this action.

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(12) **United States Design Patent** (10) Patent No.: **US D454,054 S**
Kelleghan (45) Date of Patent: **** Mar. 5, 2002**

(54) **CIRCLE CARABINER**

(75) Inventor: **Brian James Kelleghan, Longmont, CO (US)**

(73) Assignee: **Bison Designs, L.L.C., Longmont, CO (US)**

(**) Term: **14 Years**

(21) Appl. No.: **29/131,501**

(22) Filed: **Oct. 23, 2000**

(51) LOC (7) Cl. **08-05**

(52) U.S. Cl. **D8/356**

(58) Field of Search **D8/356, 367, 368, D8/349, 382, 343, 370, 333; D19/65, 86; 24/573.5, 599.1, 552; 411/400, 401; 294/82.1, 82.14; 248/925**

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Primary Examiner—Pamela Burgess

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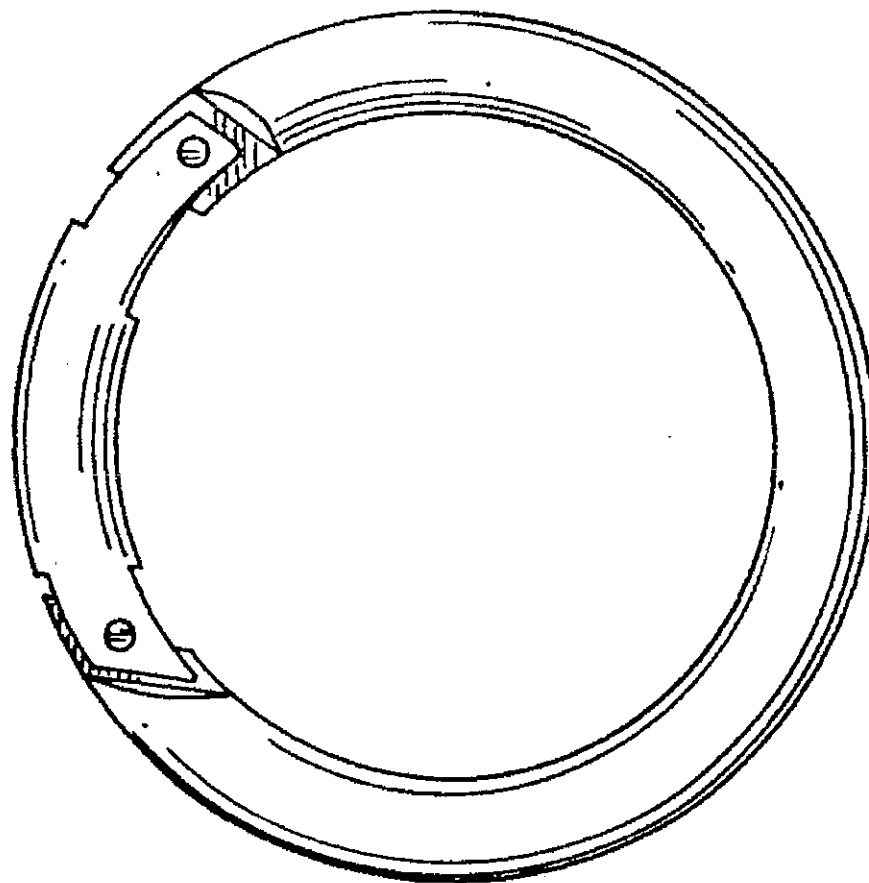
(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a circle carabiner, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a top plan view of a circle carabiner showing my new design, the undisclosed bottom being a mirror image; FIG. 2 is a front elevational view thereof; FIG. 3 is a rear elevational view thereof; FIG. 4 is a left side elevational view thereof; FIG. 5 is a right side elevational view thereof; and, FIG. 6 is a top perspective view thereof.

1 Claim, 1 Drawing Sheet



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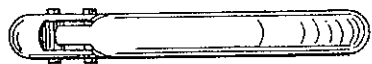


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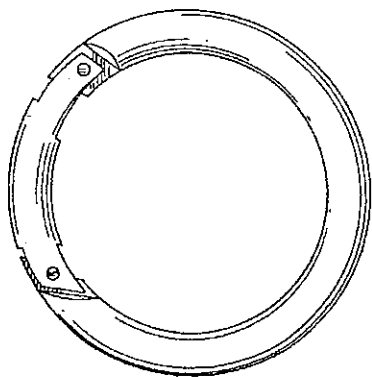


FIG. 1



FIG. 4



FIG. 5



FIG. 3

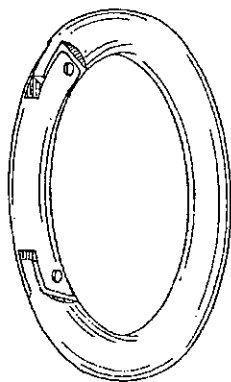


FIG. 6



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(12) **United States Design Patent** (10) Patent No.: **US D447,681 S**
Kelleghan (45) Date of Patent: **** Sep. 11, 2001**

(54) **BONE SHAPED CARABINER**

D. 419,054 * 1/2000 Curwood D8/382

(75) Inventor: **Brian James Kelleghan**, Longmont,
CO (US)

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(73) Assignee: **Bison Designs, L.L.C.**, Longmont, CO
(US)

Primary Examiner—Pamela Burgess

(74) *Attorney, Agent, or Firm*—Rick Martin; Patent Law
Offices of Rick Martin, P.C.

(**) Term: **14 Years**

(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a bone shaped carabiner, as
shown and described.

(21) Appl. No.: **29/131,500**

(22) Filed: **Oct. 23, 2000**

DESCRIPTION

(51) **LOC (7) Cl.** **08-05**

(52) **U.S. Cl.** **D8/367**

(58) **Field of Search** D8/367, 368, 349,
D8/382, 343, 356, 370, 333; D19/65, 86;
D30/155; 24/131 R, 129 C, 131 C, 115 R,
546, 343, 4; 411/400, 401; 294/82.1, 82.14;
248/925; D11/44, 51, 48, 81, 99

FIG. 1 is a top or bottom plan view of my new design for a
bone shaped carabiner.

FIG. 2 is a front and rear plan view, which are identical, of
the carabiner shown in FIG. 1.

FIG. 3 is a right side plan view of the carabiner shown in
FIG. 1.

FIG. 4 is a left side plan view of the carabiner shown in FIG.
1; and,

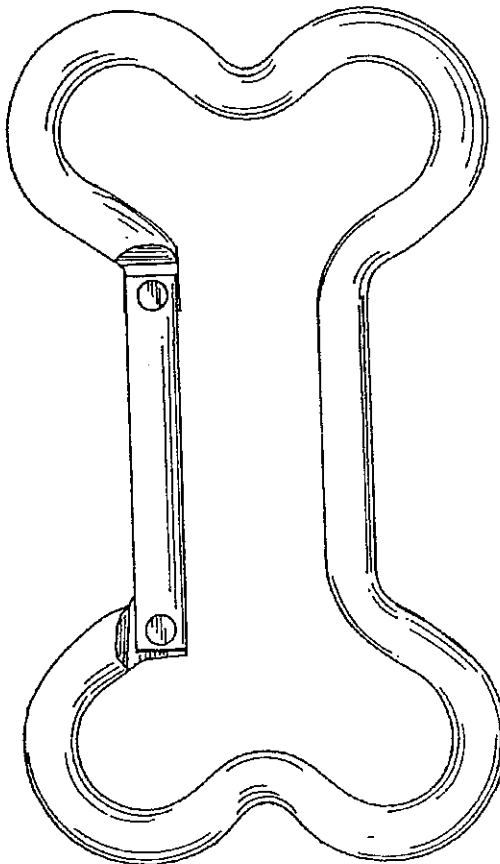
FIG. 5 is a top perspective view of the carabiner shown in
FIG. 1.

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D. 412,656 * 8/1999 Sokurenko D8/349

1 Claim, 1 Drawing Sheet



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FIG. 2



FIG. 3

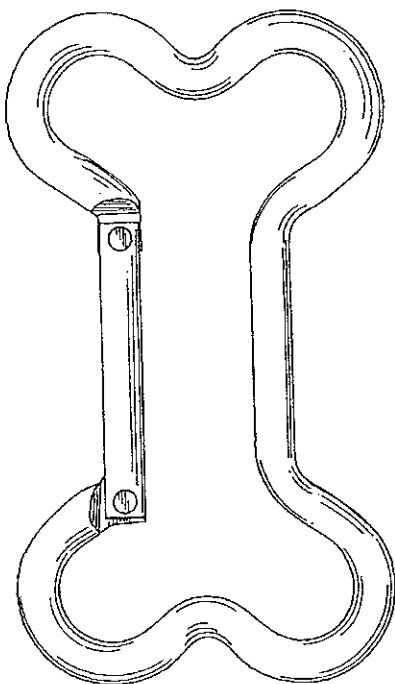


FIG. 1



FIG. 4

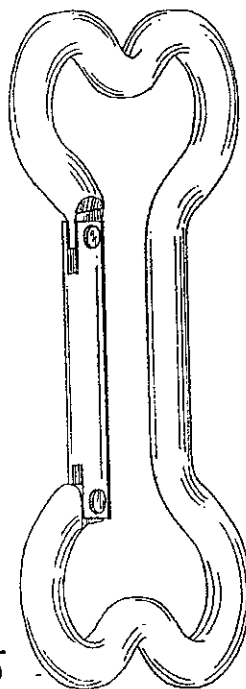


FIG. 5

Exhibit C



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(12) **United States Design Patent** (10) Patent No.: **US D465,993 S**
Kelleghan (45) Date of Patent: **** Nov. 26, 2002**

(54) **FISH SHAPED CARABINER**

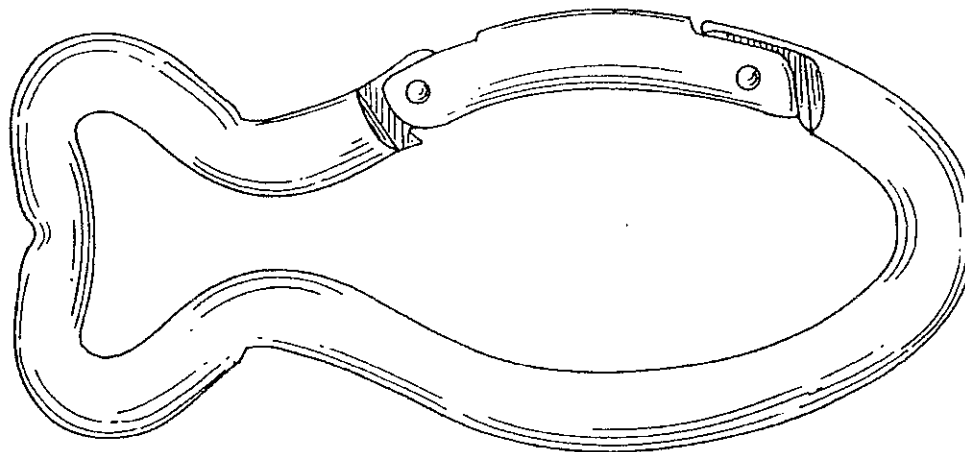
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(US)(**) Term: **14 Years**(57) **CLAIM**The ornamental design for a fish shaped carabiner, as shown
and described.(21) Appl. No.: **29/133,561**(22) Filed: **Dec. 14, 2000**(51) LOC (7) Cl. **08-05**(52) U.S. Cl. **D8/356**(58) Field of Search D1/106, 111; D8/333,
D8/356, 367, 370, 382; D11/48, 99; 24/115 R,
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DESCRIPTIONFIG. 1 is a top plan view of my new design for a fish shaped
carabiner, it being understood that the bottom view is a
mirror image thereof;FIG. 2 is a front elevational view of the fish shaped carabiner
shown in FIG. 1;FIG. 3 is a rear elevational view of the fish shaped carabiner
shown in FIG. 1;FIG. 4 is a right side elevational view of the fish shaped
carabiner shown in FIG. 1;FIG. 5 is a left side elevational view of the fish shaped
carabiner shown in FIG. 1; and,FIG. 6 is a top perspective view of the fish shaped carabiner
shown in FIG. 1.**1 Claim, 1 Drawing Sheet**

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FIG. 2

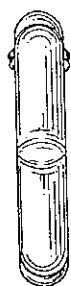


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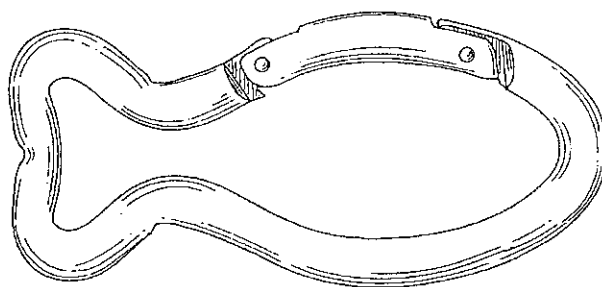


FIG. 1



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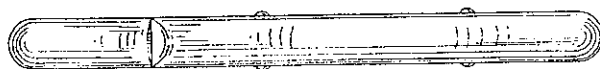


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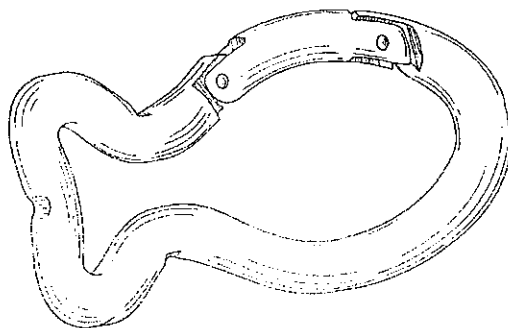


FIG. 6

Exhibit D



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(12) **United States Design Patent** (10) Patent No.: **US D447,932 S**
Kelleghan (45) Date of Patent: **** Sep. 18, 2001**

(54) **HEART SHAPED CARABINER**

4,065,833 * 1/1978 Bender 34/573.5

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(**) Term: **14 Years**

(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a heart shaped carabiner, as shown.

(21) Appl. No.: **29/131,471**

(22) Filed: **Oct. 23, 2000**

(51) LOC (7) Cl. **08-05**

(52) U.S. Cl. **D8/356; D8/367; 24/573.5; 24/599.1**

(58) Field of Search **D8/356, 367, 368, D8/349, 382, 343, 370, 333; D19/65, 86; 24/573.5, 599.1; 411/400, 401; 294/82.1, 82.14; 248/925; D11/56, 103; D1/126, 112**

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DESCRIPTION

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FIG. 2 is a front plan view of the carabiner shown in FIG. 1.

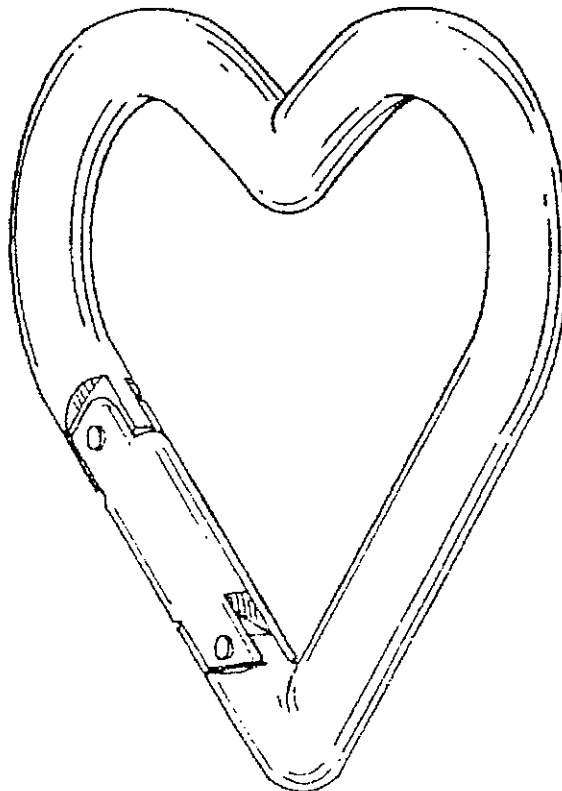
FIG. 3 is a rear side plan view of the carabiner shown in FIG. 1.

FIG. 4 is a right side plan view of the carabiner shown in FIG. 1.

FIG. 5 is a left side plan view of the carabiner shown in FIG. 1; and,

FIG. 6 is a top perspective view of the carabiner shown in FIG. 1.

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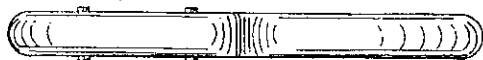


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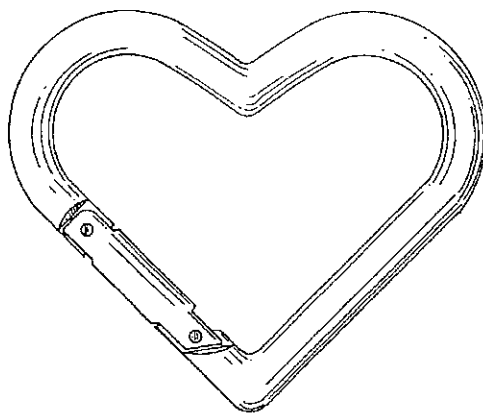


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FIG. 4



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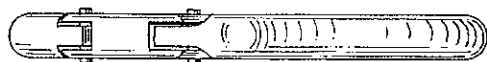


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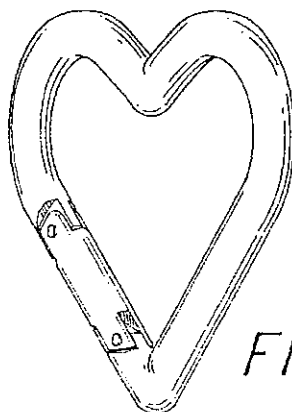


FIG. 6



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(12) **United States Design Patent** (10) Patent No.: **US D487,014 S**
Kelleghan (45) Date of Patent: **** Feb. 24, 2004**

(54) **CURVED HEART SHAPED CARABINER**

(75) Inventor: **Brian James Kelleghan**, Longmont,
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(73) Assignee: **Bison Designs, L.L.C.**, Longmont, CO
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(*) Notice: This patent is subject to a terminal disclaimer.

(**) Term: **14 Years**

(21) Appl. No.: **29/173,268**

(22) Filed: **Dec. 23, 2002**

(51) LOC (7) Cl. **08-05**

(52) U.S. Cl. **D8/356**

(58) Field of Search **D1/104, 120, 126;**
D8/333, 356, 367, 370, 383; D11/103, 133,
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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a curved heart shaped carabiner,
as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a top or bottom plan view, which are mirror images,
of my new design for a curved heart shaped carabiner.

FIG. 2 is a right elevation view of the carabiner shown in
FIG. 1.

FIG. 3 is a left side elevation view of the carabiner shown
in FIG. 1.

FIG. 4 is a front side elevation view of the carabiner shown
in FIG. 1.

FIG. 5 is a rear side elevation view of the carabiner shown
in FIG. 1.

FIG. 6 is a top perspective view of the carabiner shown in
FIG. 1.

FIG. 7 is a top or bottom plan view, which are mirror images,
of an alternate embodiment of my new design for a curved
heart shaped carabiner.

FIG. 8 is a right elevation view of the carabiner shown in
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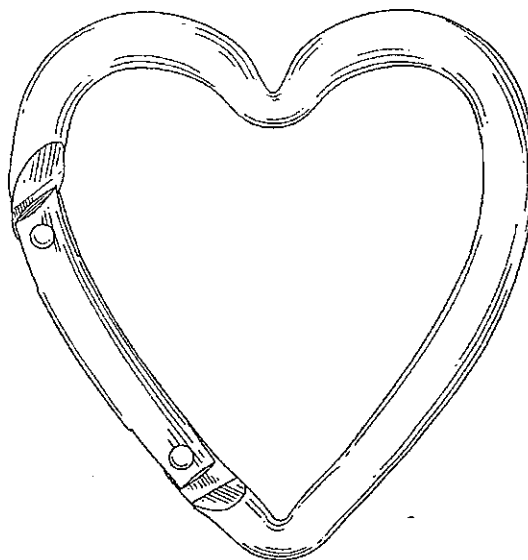
FIG. 9 is a left elevation view of the carabiner shown in FIG.
7.

FIG. 10 is a front elevation view of the carabiner shown in
FIG. 7.

FIG. 11 is a rear elevation view of the carabiner shown in
FIG. 7; and,

FIG. 12 is a top perspective view of the carabiner shown in
FIG. 7.

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FIG. 4

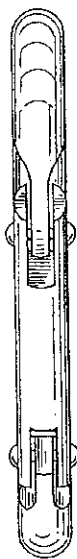


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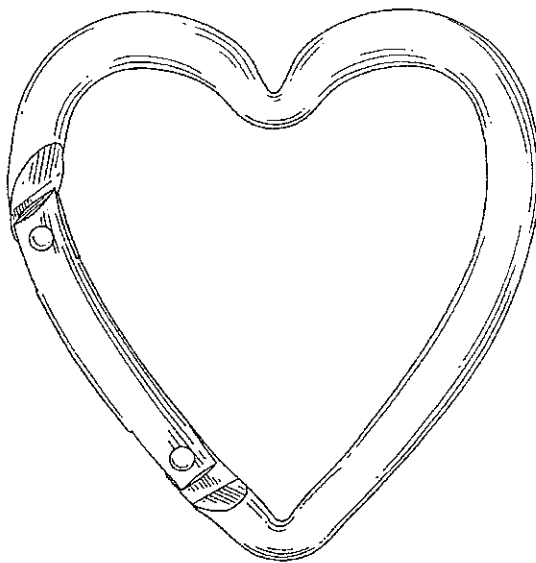


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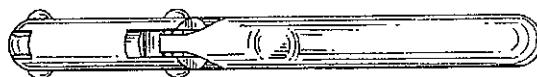


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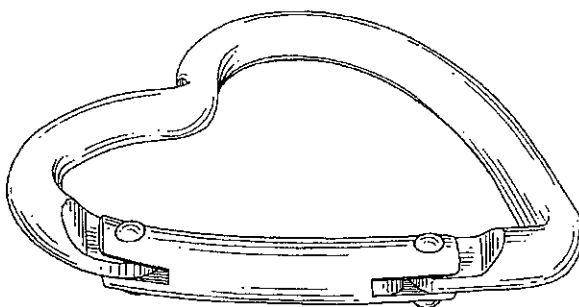


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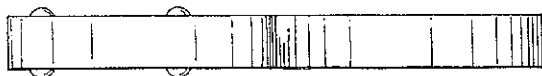


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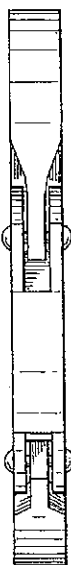


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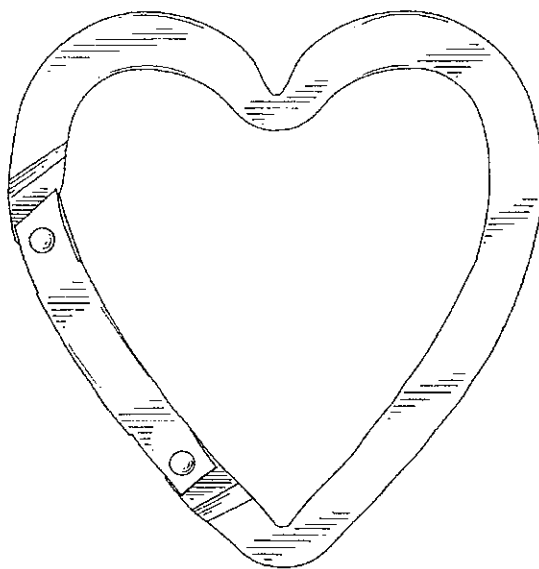


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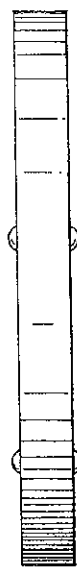


FIG. 9



FIG. 11

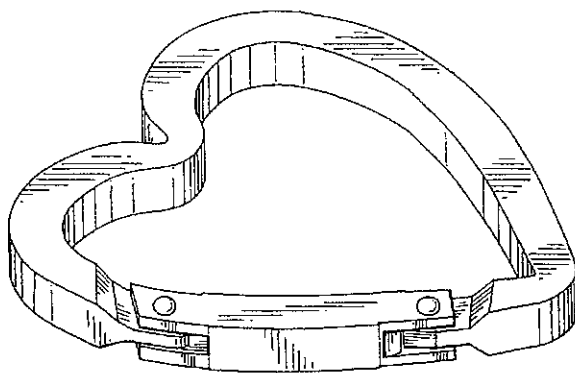


FIG. 12



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(12) **United States Design Patent** (10) Patent No.: **US D449,500 S**
Kelleghan (45) Date of Patent: **** Oct. 23, 2001**

(54) **GUITAR SHAPED BOTTLE OPENER**

D. 433,898 * 11/2000 Hunt D8/38

(75) Inventor: **Brian James Kelleghan, Longmont, CO (US)**

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Photocopy of bottle opener belonging to the examiner, rec'd as a gift in 1992.*

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(**) Term: **14 Years**

Primary Examiner—Jeffrey Asch

(21) Appl. No.: **29/131,474**

(74) *Attorney, Agent, or Firm*—Rick Martin; Patent Law Offices of Rick Martin P.C.

(22) Filed: **Oct. 23, 2000**

(57) CLAIM

The ornamental design for a guitar shaped bottle opener, as shown.

(51) LOC (7) Cl. **07-99**

(52) U.S. Cl. **D8/38; D3/211**

(58) Field of Search **D8/33-43, 18, D8/19, 16, 17; 30/400-443; 81/3.07-3.49; 7/151-156; D3/208, 210, 211**

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a top side plan view of my new design for a guitar shaped bottle opener.

FIG. 2 is a bottom side plan view of the bottle opener shown in FIG. 1.

FIG. 3 is a front side plan view of the bottle opener shown in FIG. 1.

FIG. 4 is a rear side plan view of the bottle opener shown in FIG. 1.

FIG. 5 is a left side plan view of the bottle opener shown in FIG. 1; and,

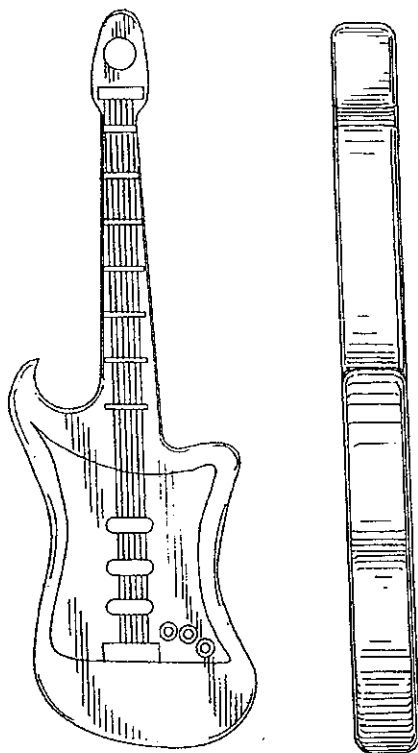
FIG. 6 is a right side plan view of the bottle opener shown in FIG. 1.

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Hello Gerald,

I am sending this email correspondence to you as requested by Bill. Review my suggestions, and I will watch for your response.

I suggest that, after you have counseled with Bill, that Bill and I have a conversation regarding licensing possibilities including his continued sales of our designs and the possible addition of other designs we have patented. As the final decisions will likely be made between me and Bill, with litigation or not, it has always benefitted both parties to try this suggestion as the foundation for settlement negotiations.

Regards,

Brian Kelleghan

Owner, Bison Designs LLC

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Hi Bill,

I didn't do an extensive view of your website but only looked at two pages that were enough to start our discussions.

I saw infringing carabiners and a bottle opener. I have patents on Star, circle, fish, dog bone, and heart shaped carabiners. And I have a patent on the guitar shaped bottle opener I saw on your site too. I will go through the site more thoroughly later, but, after reviewing my patent list, you may save us some time if you have sold any other Bison patented designs that I don't know about currently and identify them. This has been a problem with some infringers that license designs we know about, but then find that they were selling even more of our designs in the past, causing awkward circumstances in the agreements. So please examine our patented shapes to confirm that you haven't inadvertently sold any other designs too. Then, with all chips on the table, we can hopefully find a cooperative license agreement that allows both of us continue profit from our patented designs.

Note that to begin discussions on the possible licensing of our designs, I will need the total number pieces you have acquired and from whom did you purchase them from.

Best regards,

Brian

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Mr. Kelleghan:

While we received your list of patents you fail to identify which of our products you are alleging infringes your patents. Please identify which of our products you deem infringes your patents so that we may respond to these allegations.

Thank you

Bill Taubner

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Hello Bill,

Thanks for taking my call.

As I mentioned to you over the phone, I have found it easier to make a direct contact to the decision maker in a company that appears to be inadvertently infringing on our patents rather than sending a cease and desist letter without notice. It has always been easier to settle an infringement issue directly, and less costly, than doing it strictly through attorneys. I do have experience doing this 66 times since 2001.

As promised, I included a list of our patents. Please review them. I see several products offered in your product line that are exact copies of our designs. Because I am in the design business to sell or license our designs, it is my goal to always increase our sales and sales outlets / customers. If we settle cooperatively, you may not have any interruption in your business deliveries. I hope that is the case, as it means lower fees and higher sales for both of our companies. In fact, you may have an interest in adding more of our designs to your line after we settle today's issues, like many other companies have.

I will watch for your response.

Regards,

Brian

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












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<p>Custom Shapes</p> <p>Apple – 13AP</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 1/4", Width 2" Thickness 3/16" Imprint Area: top 1 3/8"x1/8" & side 1 1/4" x 1/8" Gold, Green, Red Patent # D528,405 <p>Bison – 13BSN</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 1/2", Width 1 5/8" Thickness 3/16" Imprint Area: Back 1 1/2" x 1/8" & Shoulder 1 1/2" x 1/8" Black, Brown, Gold, Hazel, Olive, Slate Patent # D518,360 <p>Butterfly – 13BU</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 7/16", Width 2 1/2", Thickness 7/32" Imprint Area: Top of Left or Right Wing 1 1/8" x 1/16" (each wing is separate engraving) Body 1" x 1/8" Blue, Red, Orange, Purple Patent D495, 587 <p>Butterfly Mini – 132BU</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 1/4", Width 2 1/8" Thickness 3/16" Imprint Area: Body 1" x 3/8" top part & Wing 1" x 1/4" (each wing is separate engraving) Blue, Orange, Red, Purple Patent# D495, 587 <p>Button D – 13BTN</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 3", Width 1 1/4", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" x 1/8" on carabiner, reset circle pattern for a custom medallion Blue, Black, Gun Metal, Red Patent # D595,119 <p>BiWay – 13BW</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 3 5/8" Width 1", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1" Blue, Black, Red Patent # D612,710 <p>Hot Chile 132HC</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 3 7/8", Width 1 1/2", Thickness 3/16" Imprint Area: 1/2" Available in Red only Patent # D465,723 	<p>Circle - 13C</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Diameter 2 3/8" Imprint Area: 3" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D454,054 <p>Circle Mini 8mm – 132C8</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Diameter 1 3/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1/8" wide, single line around Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D454,054 <p>Circle Mini - 132C</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Diameter 2", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: 1/16" wide, single line around Blue, Red, Black, Green, Orange, Purple Patent # D454, 054 <p>Crown – 13CR</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 1/8", Width 2 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 3/4" Pink, Purple, Gold Patent D465,994 <p>D' Logo - 13DL</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 3", Width 1 1/4", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area 1 1/2" x 1/8" opposite side of gate, 1" diameter on base Patent Pending <p>Daisy - 13DA</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 1/2", Width 2 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: Call 1st Blue, Red, Gold, Purple Patent # D447, 680 <p>Darwin Fish – 13DAR</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 3/4", Width 1 1/4", Thickness 3/16" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple D548,057 <p>*Diamond - 13DI</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 3 3/8", Width 2 3/8", Thickness 5/16" Imprint Area: 1" Blue, Red, Black, Green, Purple, Orange Patent # D470,393 	<p>Dog Bone - 13D</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 3 3/8", Width 2 1/8", Thickness 5/16" Imprint Area: 1" Blue, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D447,681 <p>Dog Bone Mini - 132D</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 9/16", Width 1 5/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 11/16" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D447,681 <p>Dog Bone Micro – 133D</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 1/4", Width 1 3/8", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: None Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D447,681 <p>Dog Bone Tiniest – 134D</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 1 7/8", Width 1 1/8", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: None Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D447,681 <p>Dragon Tail – 13DT S</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 3/8", Width 1 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area 1/2" Blue, Black, Gun Metal, Red Patent # D594738 <p>Dragon Tail – 13DT L</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 3 1/8", Width 1 5/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area 3/4" Blue, Black, Gun Metal, Red Patent # D594738 <p>Earth Wind & Fire - 13E</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Diameter 1 7/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D475, 604 <p>Fish - 13FISH</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 3 3/4", Width 1 7/8", Thickness 5/16" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D465,993 	<p>Fish Mini - 132FISH</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 3/4", Width 1 7/16", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D465,993 <p>Fish Micro – 133FISH</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 3/8", Width 1 1/8", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: None Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D465,993 <p>Fish Tiniest – 134FISH</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2", Width 7/8", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: None Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D465,993 <p>Fish Hook - 13FH</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring w/ 1/2" step ring. Length 2", Width 1", Thickness 1/5" Imprint Area: 3/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D475, 605 <p>Fish Out of Water – 13FW</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring w/ 1/2" step ring. Length 3", Width 1 5/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: Belly 1", Tail 3/4" fin 1" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Copyright 2007 <p>Flat Link – 13FL</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 – 1 inch split rings Length 4", Width 1 1/4", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: Center 1" or Hooks 1" x 1/8" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Copyright 2006 <p>Foot Carabiner - 13FT</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 3", Width 1 1/2", Thickness 3/16" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" x 1/8" Black, Blue, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D500,699 <p>Football - 13FTBL</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 3", Width 2", Thickness 5/16" Imprint Area: 2 1/2" Black, Red Blue, Green, Orange, Purple W/ Gold Gates. Patent # D473, 781
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<p>Custom Shapes Cont.</p> <p>Gear – 13GEAR</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Diameter 1 3/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1/8" wide, single line around Blue, Black, Gun Metal, Red, Green D534,416 <p>Golf Ball – 13GB</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Diameter 2 1/2", Thickness 3/8" Imprint Area: Gate Only 1" Blue, Green, Red Patent # 454,054 <p>Guitar Carabiner – 13GTAC</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 3 1/6", Width 1 3/16", Thickness 3/16" Imprint Area: (across from gate) 5/8" x 3/16" a (bottom) 5/8" x 3/16" Blue, Red, Black, Green, Orange, Purple Patent # D501,395 <p>Heart – 13H</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 3/4", Width 3 1/8", Thickness 5/16" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" Blue, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D447,932 <p>Heart Mini – 132H</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 1/2", Width 2 1/2", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/4" Blue, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D487,014 <p>Heart Micro – 133H</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 1 3/4", Width 1 5/8", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: None Blue, Gold, Red, Purple Patent# D447, 932 <p>Helmet – 13HLM</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 1 3/4", Width 2 1/8", Thickness 3/16" Imprint Area: Top 1 1/2"x3/16" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Purple, Red Patent # D533,051 <p>Hex Nut – 13HX</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2", Width 1 3/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 3/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D526,885 	<p>Hockey Skate – 13HS</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 1/2" x 2 3/4" 1/4" thick, Imprint Area: 1"x1/4" back of boot – 3/4" x 1/8" back of blade Black Patent # D647786 <p>Horse Shoe – 13HSHOE</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 1 7/8", Width 1 7/8", Thickness 3/8" Imprint Area: Front 1/2" x 3/8", Back 2 1/2" x 3/8" Blue, Red, Green, Orange, Purple, Gun Metal Patent # D500,950 <p>Logo Me – 13LOGO</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 3/4", Width 1 1/2", Thickness 3/16" Imprint Area: Circle 1" Diameter Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple D553,480 <p>Loop D Loop – 13LDL</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 4 1/4", Width 1 1/2", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area 1" x 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Purple, Red Copyright 2008 <p>Monster Carabiner – 13MON</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No split ring Length 6 1/2", Width 3 3/4", Thickness 1/2" Imprint Area: 5 1/2" Blue Patent # D631,331 <p>Moose – 13MOOSE</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 3", Width 2 5/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 3/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D550,065 <p>Paw Print – 13PAW</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 1/2", Width 2 1/8", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: Back 1" x 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D585,727 	<p>Peace Fish – 13PFISH</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 3 7/8", Width 1 3/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 2 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D448,276 <p>Peace Fish Mini – 132PFISH</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 3/4", Width 1 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D448,276 <p>Peace Sign – 132PEACE</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Diameter 1 7/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D465,995 <p>Peanut – 13P</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 1/2", Width 1 1/5", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D475, 276 <p>Ribbon – 13RIB</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 5/8", Width 1 3/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 2" straight side or 3/4" top curve (available front & back – additional setup) Pink Patent # D533,050 <p>Sea Turtle – 13SEATUR</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 1/2", Width 1 5/8", Thickness 3/8" Imprint Area: (across from gate) 13/16"x1/16" (below head) 1 5/8" x 1/16" Blue, Red, Green, Orange, Black, Purple Patent # D501,787 <p>Shamrock – 13SHM</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 1 1/4", Width 2", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 3/4" Tip of each leaf Green Only Patent# D509, 128 	<p>Sidewinder – 13SSW</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 3 1/8", Width 1 5/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area 3/4" Steel also avail in Black Patent # D607712 <p>Sprocket – 13SPR</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Diameter 2 1/4", Thick 1/4" Imprint Area: 1/8" wide, (single line only) all around except gate approx 4" Blue, Red, Black, Green, Orange, Purple Patent # D527,245 <p>Square Wire Circle – 132CSQ</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Diameter 1 3/4", Thick 1/4" Imprint Area: 1" wide, (single line only) all around except gate approx 4" Black, Blue, Green, Orange, Purple, Red Patent # D454,054 <p>Star – 13STAR</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 3 3/8", Width 3 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D466,793 <p>Star Mini – 132STAR</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 5/8", Width 2 5/8", Thickness 3/16" Imprint Area: 1/2" Single line Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D466,793 <p>Strap n Go – 13SNG</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 1/8", Width 1 3/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1" wide, (single line only), Bottom 1/2" Black, Blue, Green, Orange, Purple, Red Patent # D588443 <p>Sidewinder – 13SSW</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 3 1/8", Width 1 5/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area 3/4" Stainless Steel, Matte Black Patent #D607,712
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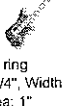

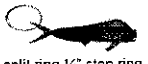

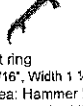


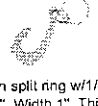




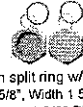


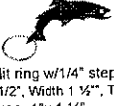
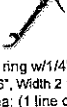






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*Tri Star – 13TSTAR  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Diameter 1 7/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 7/8" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D467,157 	Key Caddies Hook Capsule 12CAPH  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Top unscrews, water tight with rubber gasket 1 inch split ring Length 3", Diameter 1/2" Imprint Area: 1" x 1/8" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D525,780 	Cobra Large – 131C L  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring w/ 1/2" step ring Length 2 3/4", Width 1 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D455,642 	Bone – 131BONE  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4" split ring Length 3 1/2", Width 1 1/2", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: 1 1/4" x 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent Pending
Triad – 132TRD  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 1 1/2", Width 1 1/2", Thickness 5/16" Imprint Area: 3/8" Blue, Black, Green, Gold/Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D462,891 	Air Hook – 13AH  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 11/16", Width 1 3/8", Thickness 7/32" Imprint Area: NONE Blue, Black, Green, Red, Purple, Orange Patent # D521,362 	Cobra Lrg Web – 131CW L  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 4 3/4" (2" of webbing), Width 1 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D455,642 	Bone Fish – 131BF  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 5/8", Width 1 1/8", Thickness 5/16" Imprint Area: 1" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent D488,972
Wave Rave – 13WV  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 – 1 inch split rings Length 3 1/2", Width 1", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: Center 1" or Hooks 1" x 1/8" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Copyright 2006 	Air Hook Mini – 132AH  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 1/8", Width 1 1/16", Thickness 7/32" Imprint Area: NONE Blue, Black, Green, Red, Purple, Orange Patent # D520,345 	13CF-Carbon Fiber  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 3", Width 1 3/4", Thickness 5/16" Imprint Area: 2" Gun Metal Patent# D577,572 	Cactus – 131CAC  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring Length 3 1/4", Width 1", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 2" x 1/4" (on Back) Black, Brown, Green, Orange, Gun Metal, Sage Patent # D569,203
Z Link – 131Z 7  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 3/4", Width 1", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 3/4" Blue, Black, Red D646,556 	Clip-It Compass – 12CC  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 3/4", Width 1 1/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 3/4" (on back) Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D478,823 	Orbit Pinch Light – 12LO  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> White light 1 1/4 inch split ring & carabiner Length 3", Width 1 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Purple, Red Patent # D564341 	Canoe Paddle – 131CPAD  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring w/ 1/4" step ring Length 3 1/2", Width 5/8", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: Handle 1 1/2" Blue, Black, Orange, Red Patent # D588425
Yin Yang – 13YY  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Diameter 2 1/2" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Gold/Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D441,638 	Clip It Thermometer – 12TH Compass/Thermometer  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 3/4", Width 1 1/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D478,823 	Bottle Openers Bear – 131BEAR  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring Length 2", Width 1 1/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: Body 1 1/2" Black, Brown, Gold Copyright 2006 	Circle – 131CIR  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 3", Width 1", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 3/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D466,770
Yin Yang Mini – 132YY  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Diameter 1 7/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D441,638 	Cobra – 131C  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring Length 2 1/8", Width 15/16", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 7/8" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D455,642 	Beer Belay – 131BE  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring. Length 1 3/8", Width 2 1/8", Thickness 3/8" Imprint Area: 1/2" x 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # 505,847 	Dancing Bear – 131DB  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 7/8", Width 1", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1" (on back) Yellow, Orange, Purple, Pink, Turquoise Licensed Product

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




















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<p>Donkey - 131DKY</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring and 1/4" step ring Length 2 1/2" Width 1 7/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1" x 1/2" Blue Copyright 2008 	<p>Fighter Fish - 131FF</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 3/8", Width 1 1/8" Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D451,774 	<p>Guitar - 131GUITAR</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 3 1/4", Width 1", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D449,500 	<p>Kokopelli - 131KO</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 1/4", Width 1 1/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" Blue, Black, Red, Orange, Green, Purple Patent # D453,454
<p>Dorado - 131DOR</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring 1/4" step ring Length 3", Width 1 1/4" Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Copyright 2007 	<p>Firemen's Axe - 131FX</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring and 1/4" step ring Length 3 1/8", Width 1 5/16", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 3/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D518,343 	<p>Hammer - 131H</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 13/16", Width 1 1/2", Thickness 3/16" Imprint Area: Hammer Head 13/16" x 1/8", Hammer Body 1" x 1/8" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D497,087 	<p>Lobster - 131LB</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring. Length 3 1/16", Width 1 1/2", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" x 3/16" Red ONLY Patent # D511,281
<p>Drink Link - 131DL</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 3 1/4", Width 1 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: Head 1 1/4" Sides of Head 1/2" 1 side handle 1 1/4" Bottom 1 1/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Copyright 2006 	<p>Fish Hook - 131FH</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring. Length 2", Width 1", Thickness 1/5" Imprint Area: 3/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D476,540 	<p>Hammer 3D - 131HM</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 3", Width 1 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/4" x 1/8" Blue, Black, Green, Gun Metal, Red, Orange, Purple Patent Pending 	<p>Multi Hex - 131MH</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10,9,8,7,6,5,4 mm hex 1 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring Length 3 1/4", Width 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 2 1/2" on Side Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Copyright 2006
<p>Duck - 131DU</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring and 1/4" step ring Length 2 1/4", Width 1 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent Pending 	<p>Flat Bass - 131FB</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring. Length 1 1/4", Width 2 3/4", Thickness 3/16" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" x 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D520,825 	<p>Hex Nut - 131HN</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring. Length 1 5/8", Width 1 5/8", Thickness 3/16" Imprint Area: 1 3/8" Diameter Blue, Black, Gun Metal Patent # D482,251 	<p>Palm Tree - 131PT</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring. Length 2 3/4", Width 1 1/2", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent D488,971
<p>Elephant - 131EPH</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring and 1/4" step ring Length 2 1/4" Length 1 1/4" Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1" x 3/8" Red Copyright 2008 	<p>Flat Trout - FTT</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring Length 2 1/2", Width 1 1/2", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1" x 1 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent Pending 	<p>Ice Axe - 131ICE</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring. Length 3 1/16", Width 2 15/16", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: (1 line only) 1 1/2" x 1/32" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D504,289 	<p>Parrot - 131PAR</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring. Length 2 3/4", Width 1", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent D488,970
<p>Ellipse - 131E</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 3 3/8", Width 1", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/8" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D467,480 	<p>Foot - 131FOOT</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring. Length 2 3/8", Width 1 5/8", Thickness 5/16" Imprint Area: 3/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D442,448 	<p>Jawz - 131JA</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 7/8", Width 1 3/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" x 3/16" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D500,648 	<p>Paw Print - 131PP</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring. Length 2 3/8", Width 2 1/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 3/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D473,769
		<p>K-9 Bone - 13K9</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring. Length 3", Width 1 3/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1" opposite side of gate Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D447681 	

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<p>Pheasant – 131PH</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2", Width 1 7/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: Body 1/2" x 1/8" or Wing Span 1 1/4" x 3/16" Blue, Black, Green, Red, Brown, Gun Metal Copyright 2006 	<p>Snowshoe - 131SS</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 1/2", Width 1", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: (back) 1"x1/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D495,570 	<p>Yin Yang - 131YY</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 3", Width 1", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: n/a Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D466,769 	<p>Man in the Moon - 13MAN</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Diameter 1 7/8", Thick 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/4" Blue, Orange, Gun Metal, Red, Green, Purple Patent # D480, 944
<p>Pick Pocket Guitar – 131GP</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comes w/1 pick (assorted designs) 1 inch split ring Length 1 5/8", Width 1 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: Back Only – Body 1 3/4" x 1/2" or Neck 1 1/2" x 1/16" Blue, Black, Red, Gun Metal Patent #D544,767 	<p>Surfboard - 131SB</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring. Length 3 1/8", Depth 5/8", Thickness 3/32" (board) & Fin (1/2") Imprint Area: 2 7/16" x 1 1/32" Blue, Black, Red, Green, Orange, Purple Patent # D495,937 	<p>Hydro Clips®</p> <p>Water Clips</p> <p>Bottle Bandit™ - 13BB</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Length 5 7/8", Width 1 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" Red, Green, Purple, Orange, Black, Blue Brown, Slate, Olive, Sage Patent D491, 465 	<p>Skull Sculpted - 13SKL</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 3/4", Width 2", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" on each side of gate Gun Metal, Blue, Red, Orange, Purple, Green
<p>Porpoise - 131POR</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring. Length 2 3/8", Width 1", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1 1/4" x 3/8" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D517,881 	<p>Shotgun – 131SG</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 split ring Length 3 1/2", Width 5/8" thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: 1 1/2" x 7/8" Black, Gun Metal Copyright 2008 	<p>Bottle Bandit™</p> <p>7cm D-Ring - 13BBD</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Length 5 1/8", Width 1 5/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 2" Red, Green, Purple, Orange, Black, Blue Brown, Slate, Olive, Sage Patent D491, 465 	<p>Trout Sculpted - 13TRT</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Diameter (approx) 2 1/2" Thickness 5/16" Imprint Area: (tail to head) 1" x 1/8" Gun Metal, Blue, Red, Orange, Purple, Sage Green Patent # D491, 047
<p>Pry Bar – 131PRY</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 1/2", Width 1/2", Thickness 1/8" Imprint Area: 1" x 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Copyright 2007 	<p>Sword – 131SD</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring Length 2 3/4", Width 1", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: Length 1 1/4" Blue, Black, Gun Metal Copyright 2007 	<p>Sculpted Carabiners</p> <p>Dolphin Sculpted - 13DP</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Diameter 2 1/4", 5/16" Thickness Imprint Area: 1 3/8" x 3/16" across the body Gun Metal, Blue, Sage Green, Red, Orange, Purple Patent # D486, 377 	<p>Carabiner Pens</p> <p>V-Clip Pen – 13VPEN</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No split ring Length 5 1/2", Width 1", Thickness 1/2" Imprint Area: 2" x 1/2" Blue, Red, Black Patent # D526,555
<p>Raptor – 131Rap</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 1/4", Width 1 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: Body 1 1/2" or Head 1 1/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Copyright 2007 	<p>Tiki - 131TIKI</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring. Length 2 3/8", Width 1", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1" by 1/2" (bottom half back) Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent D489,974 	<p>Dragon Sculpted - 13DR</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Diameter (approx) 2 5/16", Thickness 5/16" Imprint Area: 5/8" x 1/8" (Gate Only) Gun Metal, Blue, Red, Sage Green, Orange, Purple Patent # D496, 250 	<p>HookM</p> <p>13HKR LD Patent # D642895</p> <p>13HKMS Patent # D628873</p>
<p>Saw - 131SAW</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring. Length 3 1/4", Width 1 1/2", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 2" x 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent # D504,599 	<p>Trouser Trout - 131TROUT</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leader plus 1 inch split ring Length 3 3/16", Width 1 3/8", Thickness 7/16" Imprint Area: 1" Red, Gold, Blue Patent # D459, 173 	<p>Howling Coyote - 13HOWL</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2 5/8", 2" Width, Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 2 1/2" circular Blue, Orange, Gun Metal, Red, Green, Purple Patent # D506,383 	
<p>Saxophone – 131 SAX</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring Length 2 3/4", Width 1 1/2", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: Neck 2" or Base 1" Black, Orange, Gun Metal Patent #D568,128 	<p>Tuna – 131TUN</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring w/1/4" step ring Length 2 1/2", Width 1 1/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1"x 1 1/2" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Copyright 2007 	<p>Lizard Sculpted - 13LZ</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Diameter 2 1/8" Thick 1/4" Imprint Area: (body) 1" x 3/16" Blue, Red, Gun Metal, Orange, Purple, Sage Green Patent # D491, 790 	
	<p>Turtle - 131TUR</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 2", Width 1 1/2", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 3/4" Blue, Black, Green, Orange, Red, Purple Patent D488,973 		

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<p>Frogger Gear</p> <p>Frogger Bottle Bandit - 92</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Length 5 1/8", Width 1 5/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 2" Custom Button Charm available for 1000 pc minimum PVC Blue, Yellow, Black Patent D491,465 <p>Frogger Lanyard-95</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lanyard 28" Nut 1" diameter 1" split ring Quick release and detachable clip Custom Charm Available for 1000 pc minimum Blue, Black, Olive, Orange, Red, Pink Patent #D574607 <p>Frogger Key Caddie - 94</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4" split ring 6" cord, Nut 1" diameter Custom Charm available for 1000 pc minimum Blue, Black, Olive, Orange, Red, Pink Patent #D574607 	<p>Gem Stone Carabiners</p> <p>13GSR – River Bottom</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 5/16" Width 1 5/16", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: None, Silver Plated w/Sapphire, Ruby, Onyx, Turq Inlay Patent# D655999 <p>13GSC- Cobblestone</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1"inch split ring Length 2 5/16" Width 1 5/16", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: None, Silver Plated w/Tigers Eye, Blue Agate Inlay Patent# D614,937 <p>13GSI - Inlay</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 inch split ring Length 2 5/16" Width 1 5/16", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: None, Silver Plated w/Ruby, Onyx, Turq Inlay Patent# D614,937
<p>Frogger Eye Glass Slider - 95</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lanyard 24", Nut 1" diameter Custom Charm available for 1000 pc minimum Blue, Black, Olive, Orange, Red, Pink Patent # D574607 <p>Frogger Visor-91</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PVC Visor One size fits most - 21" min, 24" max Embroidery on Crown area 7" x 1 1/2" Will hold up to 19 button charms Blue, Black, Orange, Olive, Pink Red, White and Yellow. Patent #D571,082 <p>Miscellaneous</p> <p>Short Cut Clip-13CTS</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1/4 inch split ring Length 3 1/2", Width 1 1/2", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: 1" Blue, Black, Red Patent# D613,584 	<p>Stainless Steel</p> <p>Z Link 4cm – 13SSZ 4</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Length 1 1/2", Width 3/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: None Stainless Steel, D646,556 <p>Z Link 5 – 13SSZ 5</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Length 2", Width 7/8", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area None Stainless Steel, D646,556 <p>Z Link 6 – 131SSZ 6</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bottle Opener Length 2 1/2", Width 1", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area None Stainless Steel D646,556 <p>Z Link 7 – 131SSZ 7</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bottle Opener Length 3", Width 1 3/4", Thickness 1/4" Imprint Area: None Stainless Steel, D646,556

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Air Hook Mini Carabiner	132AH	Carabiner	D520,345
Apple Shaped Carabiner	13AP	Carabiner	D528,405
Bison Shaped Carabiner	13BSN	Carabiner	D518,360
Boot Shaped Carabiner	13BOOT	Carabiner	D475,275
Button D	13BTN	Carabiner	D595119
Button D Slotted		Carabiner	D608184
Butterfly Shaped Carabiner & Mini Butterfly	13BU & 132BU	Carabiner	D495,587
BiWay Carabiner	13BW	Carabiner	D591584
Carbon Fiber Carabiner	13CF	Carabiner	D577,572
Cat Carabiner	13CAT	Carabiner	D486,056
Chili Pepper Shaped Carabiner	132HC	Carabiner	D465,723
Christmas Tree Shaped Carabiner	13XTR	carabiner	D475,606
Circle Carabiner (Regular, Mini & 8mm Wire)	13C, 132C & 132C8	Carabiner	D454,054
Clip (cobra)	131C	Carabiner	D455,642
Clip It Compass & Clip It Compass/Thermometer	12CC & 12TH	Carabiner	D478,823
Crown Shaped Carabiner	13CR	Carabiner	D465,994
Daisy Carabiner	13DA	Carabiner	D447,680
Darwin Fish Carabiner	13DAR	Carabiner	D548,057
Diamond Shaped Carabiner	13DI	Carabiner	D470,393
Dog Bone Carabiner (Regular, Mini, Micro & Tiniest)	13D, 132D, 133D, 134D, 13K9	Carabiner	D447,681
Dolphin Carabiner - Sculpted	13DP	Carabiner	D486,377
Dragon Carabiner - Sculpted	13DR	Carabiner	D496,250
Dragon Tail Carabiner	13DT S 13DT L	Carabiner	D594,738
Earth, Wind & Fire Carabiner	13E	Carabiner	D475,604
Flat Link (NEW 0806)	13FL	Carabiner	Copyright
Fish Carabiner (Regular, Mini, Micro & Tiniest)	13FISH, 132FISH, 133FISH & 134FISH	Carabiner	D465,993
Fish Hook Carabiner	13FH	Carabiner	D475,605
Foot Shaped Carabiner	13FT	Carabiner	D500,699
Football Shaped Carabiner	13FTBL	Carabiner	D473,781
Gear Carabiner	13GEAR	Carabiner	D534,416
Gem Stone Carabiner (GSI)	13GSI	Carabiner	D614937
Gem Stone Carabiner River Run(GSR)	13GSR	Carabiner	D655999
Great White Carabiner w/Opener	131GW	Carabiner	D476,218
Guitar Shaped Carabiner	13GTAC	Carabiner	D501,395
Heart Carabiner (Regular & Micro Only)	13H & 133H	Carabiner	D447,932
Heart Mini Carabiner - ONLY	132H	Carabiner	D487,014
Helmet Shaped Carabiner	13HLM	Carabiner	D533,051
Hexagon Shaped Carabiner	13HX	Carabiner	D526,885
Hooky Cutter	12HCT	Carabiner	D515,903
Horseshoe Shaped Carabiner	13HSHOE	Carabiner	D500,950
Howling Coyote Carabiner	13HOWL	Carabiner	D506,383
Lizard Carabiner - Sculptedc	13LZ	Carabiner	D491790
Ice Skate Carabiner	13HS	Carabiner	D647786
Logo Me Carabiner	13LOGO	Carabiner	D553,480
Longhorn Shaped Carabiner	13LH	Carabiner	D527,987
Man In The Moon Carabiner	13MAN	Carabiner	D480,944
Monster Carabiner	13MON	Carabiner	D631,331
Moose Carabiner	13MOOSE	Carabiner	D550,065
Paw Carabiner	13PAW	Carabiner	D585727
Peace Fish Carabiner (Regular & Mini)	13PFISH & 132PFISH	Carabiner	D448,276
Peace Sign Shaped Carabiner	132PEACE	Carabiner	D465,995
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Ribbon Shaped Carabiner	13RIB	Carabiner	D533,050
Round Yin-Yang Shaped Carabiner	132YYR	Carabiner	D456,693
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Star Carabiner	13STAR & 132STAR	Carabiner	D466,793
Steel Dragon	13SDR S 13SDR L	Carabiner	D594,738
Strap N Go Carabner	13SNG	Carabiner	D588,443
Stocking Shaped Carabiner	13XST	Carabiner	D475,607
Swish Clip	13SC 4 13SC 6	Carabiner	D669,764
Switchback (01/2006 new item)	13SW	Carabiner	Copyright
Triad Clip	132TRD	Carabiner	D462,891
Tri-Star Carabiner	13TSTAR	Carabiner	D467,157
Trout Carabiner - Sculpted	13TRT	Carabiner	D491,047
V-Clip Line - Pen	vClip line & 13VPEN	Carabiner	D526,555
Wave Rave (0806)	13WV	Carabiner	Copyright
Wire Gate w/ Tool Handle	vClip line	Carabiner	Patent Pending
Yin Yang Carabiner	13YY & 132YY	Carabiner	D441,638
Zip n Clip	13ZC	Carabiner	Trademark
Container w/Integrated Clip	12CAPH	misc	D525,780
Orbit Pinch Light	12LO	Flashlight	D564341
Flashlight w/ Intergrated Clip	12H	Flashlight	D484,263
Alien Opener	131A	Opener	D466,768
Beer Belay Opener	131BE	Opener	D505,847
Bear Opener (NEW - 0806)	131BEAR	Opener	Copyright
Bicycle Opener	131BI	Opener	Copyright
Bone Fish Shaped Opener	131BF	Opener	D488,972
Cactus Opener	131CAC	Opener	D569,203
Canoe Paddle Bottle Opener	131CPAD	Opener	D588,425
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Deer Head Opener	131DR	Opener	D516,886
Dog Bone Opener	131BONE	Opener	Patent Pending
Drink Link (NEW 0806)	131DL	Opener/Carabiner	Copyright
Duck Shaped Opener	131DU	Opener	Patent Pending
Ellipse Opener	131E	Opener	D467,480
Endo Opener	131ENDO	Opener	D467,830
Fighter Fish Bottle Opener/ Toothed Fish	131FF	Opener	D451,774
Fireman's Axe Shaped Opener	131FX	Opener	D518,343
Fish Hook Shaped Bottle Opener	131FH	Opener	D476,540
Flamingo Opener	131FLA	Opener	D513,158
Flat Bass Opener	131FB	Opener	D520,825
Foot Shaped Bottle Opener	131FOOT	Opener	D442,448
Gecko Shaped Bottle Opener	131GK	Opener	D452,123
Guitar Bottle Opener	131GUITAR	Opener	D449,500
Hammer 3D Opener	131HM	Opener	Patent Pending
Hammer Opener	131H	Opener	D467,087
Hex Nut Opener	131HN	Opener	D482,251
Ice Axe Shaped Bottle Opener	131ICE	Opener	D504,289
Jawz Opener	131JA	Opener	D500,648
Kayak Shaped Bottle Opener	131KAYAK	Opener	D442,838
Kokopelli Shaped Bottle Opener	131KO	Opener	D453,454
Lobster Opener	131LB	Opener	D511,281
Multi Hex Opener (NEW)	131MH	Opener	Copyright
Palm Tree Shaped Opener	131PT	Opener	D488,971
Parrot Shaped Opener	131PAR	Opener	D488,970
Paw Print Bottle Opener	131PP	Opener	D473,769
Pheasant Opener	131PH	Opener	Copyright
Pick Pocket Guitar Opener	131GP	Opener	D544,767
Porpoise Opener	131POR	Opener	D517, 881
Saw Shaped Bottle Opener	131SAW	Opener	D504,599

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Saxophone Shaped Bottle Opener	131SAX	Opener	D568,128
Snowshoe Shaped Opener	131SS	Opener	D495,570
Speed Opener	131SP	Opener	D501,381
Square Bar Opener	131SQ	Opener	Copyright
Star Opener	131STAR	Opener	D472,435
Surfboard Shaped Opener	131SB	Opener	D495,937
Tiki Shaped Opener	131TIKI	Opener	D488,974
Trouser Trout Bottle Opener	131TROUT	Opener	D459,173
Turtle Opener	131TUR	Opener	D488,973
Yin Yang Opener	131YY	Opener	D446,769
Carbon Fiber Buckle		Buckle	D586259
Clip Cleat	13CLC	Hook	D629287
Cleat with Rope Attachment Point	not inline at this time	HOok	D629,228
HookM LD	13HKR LD	Hook	D642895
HookM LD	13HKR LD	hOOK	D609078 Old
HookM S	13HKMS	Hook	D670154
Tap Cap Buckle	65/655	Buckle	D622178
Backcountry Master Tiki Water Bottle	W72	Water	D517, 419
Carabiner Bottle (all sizes)/Tabbed Bottle	W80 & W81	Water	D545,679
Stone Master Tiki Water Bottle (all sizes)	W71 & W74	Water	D519,035
Tabbed Bottle Holder	13BB	Water	D491,465
Frogger Bottle Bandit	92	Frogger	D593318
Frogger Visor		Frogger	D589235
Frogger Visor		Frogger	D571082
Frogger Tabbed Stud Holder	94/95	Frogger	D574607
Tail Light	12TL	Trademark	4247230
Hookr	13HKR LD	Trademark	4063832
Braided bracelet with side release buckle	19SR	Paracord	D691910
Blade with Ring Handle	41SEK - 19FST 19SE 19ZSP 19ZXT	Paracord	D684445
Braided bracelet closures	19BN. 19BUF	Paracord	D697,447
Attachment Device/New Wave Shackle Bracelet	19NW-SH	Paracord	D697,829



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Re: Allegations of Patent Infringement by Ball Chain Manufacturing Co.

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Nothing contained in this letter shall be construed as a waiver or relinquishment, express or implied, of any right or remedy available to BCM.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Gerald Padian", written over a circular scribble.

Gerald Padian

Rank, Bradley

From: Jerry Padian
Sent: Monday, March 10, 2014 9:33 AM
To: 'Brian Kelleghan'
Cc: 'mlpolson@oppedahl.com'; Rank, Bradley
Subject: FW: Ball Chain Manufacturing Co.
Attachments: 2033_001.pdf

Mr. Kelleghan: we await your response to the enclosed correspondence.

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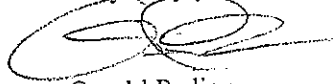
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