

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
MARSHALL DIVISION**

ELIA DATA OF TEXAS, LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

DROPBOX, INC.,

Defendant.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:15-cv-593

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

ORIGINAL COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

1. Elia Data of Texas, LLC (“Elia” or “Plaintiff”) files this original complaint for patent infringement, in which Elia makes the following allegations against Dropbox, Inc. (“Dropbox” or “Defendant”).

PARTIES

2. Plaintiff is a Texas limited liability company with its principal place of business at 1333 W. McDermott Drive, Suite 200, Allen, Texas 75013. Elia’s president is Daniel F. Perez.

3. On information and belief, Dropbox is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business at 185 Berry Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, California 94107.

4. Dropbox’s registered agent in Texas appears to be Corporation Service Company dba CSC, 211 E. 7th Street Suite 620, Austin, TX 78701.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

5. This action arises under the patent laws of the United States, Title 35 of the United States Code. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).

6. Venue is proper in this district under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(c) and 1400(b). On information and belief, Defendant has transacted business in this district, and has committed and/or induced acts of patent infringement in this district.

7. On information and belief, Dropbox is subject to this Court's specific and general personal jurisdiction pursuant to due process and/or the Texas Long Arm Statute, due at least to its substantial business in this forum, including: (i) at least a portion of the infringements alleged herein; and (ii) regularly doing or soliciting business, engaging in other persistent courses of conduct, and/or deriving substantial revenue from goods and services provided to individuals in Texas and in this Judicial District.

COUNT I
INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 7,113,996

8. Plaintiff is the owner by assignment of United States Patent No. 7,113,996 ("the '996 Patent") entitled "Method and system for secured transport and storage of data on a network" – including all rights to recover for past and future acts of infringement. The '996 Patent issued on September 26, 2006. A true and correct copy of the '996 Patent is attached as Exhibit A.

9. Upon information and belief, Dropbox directly or through intermediaries is making, made, having made, installing, installed, using, used, importing, imported, providing, provided, supplying, supplied, distributing, distributed, selling, sold, offering and/or offered for sale services, products and systems (the "infringing services") that infringe or, when used by their intended users in the manner intended by Dropbox, infringe(d) one or more claims of the '996 Patent in the State of Texas, in this judicial district, and elsewhere in the United States. On information and belief, and without limiting or waiving Plaintiff's right to later amend or supplement its Complaint, Dropbox's infringing services include its Dropbox online file sharing service. Use of the infringing services in their intended manner infringes one or more claims of the '996 Patent. On information and belief, Dropbox promotes, directs and controls the use of the infringing services with the intent that they be used in a manner that infringes the '996 Patent. Dropbox thus jointly infringes, and contributes to and/or induces infringement of one or more claims of the '996 Patent. Defendant Dropbox is thus liable for infringement of the '996 Patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271(a), (b) & (c).

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Court enter:

1. A judgment in favor of Plaintiff that Defendant has infringed, directly, jointly, and/or indirectly, by way of inducing and/or contributing to the infringement of the '996 Patent;
2. A permanent injunction enjoining Defendant and its officers, directors, agents, servants, affiliates, employees, divisions, branches, subsidiaries, parents, and all others acting in active concert therewith from infringement, inducing the infringement of, or contributing to the infringement of the '996 Patent;
3. A judgment and order requiring Defendant to pay Plaintiff its damages, costs, expenses, and prejudgment and post-judgment interest for Defendant's infringement of the '996 Patent as provided under 35 U.S.C. § 284;
4. An award to Plaintiff for enhanced damages resulting from the knowing, deliberate, and willful nature of Defendant's prohibited conduct with notice being made as of the date of correspondence with Defendant, or at least as early as the date of the filing of this Complaint, as provided under 35 U.S.C. § 284;
5. A judgment and order finding that this is an exceptional case within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 285 and awarding to Plaintiff its reasonable attorneys' fees; and
6. Any and all other relief to which Plaintiff may show itself to be entitled.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff, under Rule 38 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, requests a trial by jury of any issues so triable by right.

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Respectfully Submitted,

ELIA DATA OF TEXAS

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