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15 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
16 FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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19 **SOCKEYE LICENSING TX LLC,**
20 **Plaintiff,**
21 **v.**
22 **MICROSOFT CORPORATION,**
23 **Defendant.**
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Civil Action No. 8:17-cv-1222
COMPLAINT
Jury Trial Demanded

1 Plaintiff Sockeye Licensing TX LLC (herein, “Plaintiff” and/or “Sockeye”),
2 by and through its attorneys, for its Complaint against Microsoft Corporation,
3 (herein, “Defendant” and/or “Microsoft”) hereby alleges as follows:

4 **I. NATURE OF THE ACTION**

5 1. This is a patent infringement action to end Defendant’s direct, joint,
6 contributory and/or induced infringement of Plaintiff Sockeye’s patented
7 inventions, including but not limited to Defendant’s unauthorized and infringing
8 manufacture, use, sale, offering for sale, and/or importation of Plaintiff’s
9 inventions.

10 2. Sockeye holds all substantial rights and interest in and to United
11 States Patent No. 8,135,342 (the “’342 patent”), issued on March 13, 2012, for a
12 “System, method and apparatus for using a wireless cell phone device to create a
13 desktop computer and media center.” A true and correct copy of the ’342 patent is
14 attached hereto as **Attachment A**.

15 3. Sockeye holds all substantial rights and interest in and to United
16 States Patent No. 9,547,981 (the “’981 patent”), issued on January 17, 2017, for a
17 “System, method and apparatus for using a wireless device to control other
18 devices.” A true and correct copy of the ’981 patent is attached hereto as
19 **Attachment B**.

20 4. Plaintiff seeks to prevent Defendant from continuing infringement of
21 Plaintiff’s patent rights. Plaintiff further seeks monetary damages and prejudgment
22 interest for Defendant’s past infringement of the ’342 and ’981 patents (together,
23 the “Asserted Patents”).

24 **II. THE PARTIES**

25 5. Plaintiff Sockeye Licensing TX LLC is a limited liability company
26 organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas.

27 6. Upon information and belief, Defendant Microsoft Corporation is a
28 corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Washington, with

1 a place of business located at One Microsoft Way, Redmond, Washington 98052
2 and a corporate office at 3 Park Plaza, Suite 1600, Irvine, CA 92614. Defendant
3 can be served with process by serving its registered agent for service of process in
4 California: Corporation Service Company which Will Do Business in California as
5 CCS - Lawyers Incorporating Service, 2710 Gateway Oaks Dr., Ste. 150n,
6 Sacramento, CA 95833.

7 7. Upon information and belief, Defendant has conducted and regularly
8 conducts business within this District, has purposefully availed itself of the
9 privileges of conducting business in this District, and has sought the protection and
10 benefit of the laws of the State of California.

11 III. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

12 8. This is an action for patent infringement which arises under the Patent
13 Laws of the United States, in particular, 35 U.S.C. §§271, 281, 283, 284, and 285.
14 This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action under 28 U.S.C.
15 §§1331 and 1338(a).

16 9. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendant because it has
17 committed acts giving rise to this action within the State of California. The
18 Court's exercise of jurisdiction over Defendant would not offend traditional
19 notions of fair play and substantial justice because Defendant has established
20 minimum contacts with the forum with respect to both general and specific
21 jurisdiction. Upon information and belief, Defendant has a regular and established
22 place(s) of business in the State of California and transacts substantial business in
23 the State of California.

24 10. Further, Defendant has committed acts of infringement in this District,
25 by among other things, knowingly contributing to and/or inducing the infringement
26 of Plaintiff's patent knowing that the directly infringing devices are sold in the
27 State of California and this Judicial District as well as providing service and
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1 support to Defendant's customers in this District. Plaintiff's causes of action arise
2 directly from Defendant's business contacts and other activities in this District.

3 11. Defendant conducts infringing activities at its regular and established
4 places of business in this District. For example, Defendant sells infringing
5 products at its retail stores located throughout the District.

6 12. Upon information and belief, Defendant has retail stores within this
7 District located at 10250 Santa Monica Blvd., Space #1045, Los Angeles, CA
8 90067; 2140 Glendale Galleria, JCPenney Court, Glendale, CA 91210; 6600
9 Topanga Canyon Blvd, Canoga Park, CA 91303; 331 Los Cerritos Center,
10 Cerritos, CA 90703; 3333 Bristol Street, Suite 1249, Costa Mesa, CA, 92626; and
11 578 The Shops at Mission Viejo, Mission Viejo, CA 92691.

12 13. Upon information and belief, Defendant has corporate sales offices
13 within this District located at 13031 West Jefferson Boulevard, Suite 200, Los
14 Angeles, CA 90094; and 3 Park Plaza, Suite 1600, Irvine, CA 92614

15 14. Venue in the Central District of California is proper pursuant to 28
16 U.S.C. § 1400(b) because Defendant has committed acts of infringement in this
17 District and has regular and established place(s) of business in this District.

18 **IV. BACKGROUND OF THE PATENTED TECHNOLOGY**

19 15. Prior to the filing of the '342 and '981 patents in 2006, the state of the
20 art cell phone designs emphasized their use as standalone devices. Thus, it was
21 widely expected that, as the multimedia capabilities of the cell phone became
22 richer, the cell phone itself would serve as a multimedia player and alternative to
23 traditional modes of viewing video, such as via television screens. Accordingly,
24 cell phone manufacturers at the time of filing focused on developing the "onboard"
25 capabilities of their products, rather than adapting them to connect with and control
26 a higher resolution device. Thus, for example, the Nokia N92 mobile device
27 announced in 2005 was "marketed as a phone for watching TV." *See* Nokia N92
28 Wikipedia Article, https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nokia_N92, attached hereto as

1 **Attachment C.** The Nokia N92, while capable of playing “mobile TV,” was
2 designed as an alternate platform for watching television, and it operated as a
3 standalone device, wholly independent of television sets of the period. The ’342
4 and ’981 patents go further. In contrast to the standalone approach of the Nokia
5 N92, the ’342 and ’981 patents teach particular methods and systems by which the
6 cell phone could connect with and control a higher resolution display device,
7 streaming video thereto. The state of the art cell phones of the day were not
8 equipped to operate in this way, nor was this their goal. Indeed, as Nokia stated at
9 the time, the “Nokia N92 offers easy access to TV programs *without* having to sit
10 in front of a television set.” *See* Presenting the Nokia N92: TV goes Mobile,
11 [http://www.nokia.com/en_int/news/releases/2005/11/02/presenting-the-nokia-n92-](http://www.nokia.com/en_int/news/releases/2005/11/02/presenting-the-nokia-n92-tv-goes-mobile)
12 [tv-goes-mobile](http://www.nokia.com/en_int/news/releases/2005/11/02/presenting-the-nokia-n92-tv-goes-mobile) (emphasis added), attached hereto as **Attachment D.** Notably, so-
13 called “[t]hird generation mobile phones” or “3G mobiles” which were capable of
14 “multi-media communication” of this kind—i.e., “viewing TV on a mobile
15 phone”—were themselves far from the norm in 2006. *See* NEC 3G Cell Phone
16 Diagram, attached hereto as **Attachment E.** As NEC stated at the time, although
17 such devices were “expected to be extremely popular,” using a cell phone to view
18 television was itself a “groundbreaking way to use mobile phones.” *Id.*

19 16. Still more groundbreaking was the inventive approach of the ’342 and
20 ’981 patents, which went beyond the cell phones merely equipped to play
21 television, such as the Nokia N92 and the NEC e636. The ’342 and ’981 patents
22 teach particular methods and systems by which the cell phone could connect with
23 and control a higher resolution display device for streaming video. The claimed
24 inventions would have been inoperable on the more sophisticated cell phones of
25 the period, such as the Nokia N92 and NEC e636, because they required significant
26 technical advancements and improvements to the hardware and software “stack” of
27 the cell phone in order to enable their inventive functionality. *See* NEC e636
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1 Specifications, http://www.gsmarena.com/nec_e636-1476.php, attached hereto as
2 **Attachment F**.

3 17. The '342 and '981 patents teach the hardware and software “stack”
4 necessary to implement the particular systems and methods claimed in the patents.
5 For example, Figure 3D illustrates the relationships between the hardware and
6 software components of the cell phone itself, as well as the internet and a high-
7 resolution display device, in terms of their hierarchy and I/O requirements and
8 functions. Figure 3D teaches a cell phone operating system that supports TCP/IP
9 services, a desktop browser and operating system within the cell phone, and the
10 device drivers necessary to manage streaming media as it is received from the
11 network, rendered by the operating system, and communicated to external devices.
12 Figure 3D teaches that the cell phone’s device drivers interact with the peripheral
13 communications hardware and software that, in turn, communicates with external
14 display devices. Further, Figure 3B shows that the peripheral communications
15 hardware and software interacts with multichannel USB, and IEEE 1394 and IEEE
16 802.11 protocols that, in turn, use a multiport wireless interface to communicate
17 with a high-resolution digital display device. Without the hardware and software
18 “stack” (or its equivalents) disclosed, *inter alia*, in Figures 3B and 3D of the '342
19 and '981 patents, the claimed inventions would have been inoperable. The
20 hardware and software “stack” disclosed and claimed in the patents was absent
21 from the more advanced cell phones of the day (e.g., the Nokia N92 and NEC
22 e636), which were designed as mere standalone devices—a completely different
23 paradigm than disclosed in the patents, which teach the cell phone connecting with
24 and controlling a higher resolution display device on which media may be
25 streamed.

26 18. In the few prior art examples where the cell phone was actually
27 connected to another device, the cell phone was used in a manner completely
28 different than that disclosed in the '342 and '981 patents, and for different

1 purposes. As the inventor pointed out during prosecution of the '342 patent, the
2 prior art merely “describe[d] a conventional tethering operation of a cell phone to a
3 computer, and not peripheral cell phone control of the claimed invention.” *See*
4 Prosecution History of '342 Patent, Amendment, May 31, 2011, at 11, attached
5 hereto as **Attachment G**. According to the “conventional tethering operation[s]”
6 of the prior art, the “PC or laptop connects to the internet via another PC’s or a cell
7 phone’s wireless Internet connection, providing a bridge connection but not ceding
8 control.” *Id.* By contrast, the “instant invention,” the inventor explained, “does
9 not use a cell phone to connect a ‘computer’ to the Internet”— “[q]uite the reverse,
10 the instant invention connects peripheral devices (connected to the computer) to
11 the cell phone to create a desktop computing environment on the cell phone.” *Id.*
12 As the inventor described it in a later amendment, the “present invention” was one
13 “directed to an innovative approach to employ a cell phone or like PDA . . . to
14 create a media center controlled by the user through the cell phone – without the
15 usage of the computing power of the peripherals’ PC.” *See* Prosecution History of
16 '342 Patent, Amendment, January 17, 2012, at 31, attached hereto as **Attachment**
17 **H**. The inventor emphasized that in the prior art “the portable device is a mere
18 tether” and “has zero control – the network server is running things directly” in the
19 “traditional client/server relationship.” *Id.* at 32. By contrast, the claimed
20 inventions “expressly involve[] and claim[] control of the peripheral device by the
21 portable device, not at network control.” *Id.* Thus, at best, the prior art
22 contemplated the “conventional tethering” of the cell phone to the computer for the
23 purpose of improving the functionality of the computer according to the
24 “traditional client/server relationship.” The '342 and '981 patents, however, teach
25 improvements in the cell phone hardware and software “stack” enabling it to
26 control the high-resolution display device, in a clear reversal of the “traditional
27 client/server relationship” and departure from “conventional tethering.” As the
28 inventor stated during prosecution, quoting the summary of the invention, “[t]he

1 user may access’ the movies and videos ‘using the desktop monitor’ because, for
2 example the ‘user interfaces’ of the web site providing this content ‘can be
3 displayed through’ the ‘desktop monitor’” and “[t]hose ‘user interfaces are sent to
4 the ‘desktop monitor’ by means of the ‘wireless cell phone.’” *See* Prosecution
5 History of ’981 Patent, Sept. 7, 2016, Declaration of Michael D. Harold, at pages
6 3-4, para 7(a)(4), attached hereto as **Attachment I**. None of the prior art discloses
7 the hardware and software “stack” necessary to execute this novel functionality or
8 to accomplish the objectives of the ’342 and ’981 patents.

9 19. The named inventor of the ’342 and ’981 patents, Mr. Michael D.
10 Harold, conceived of the inventions disclosed and claimed therein and has worked
11 to commercialize them for several years. Among his goals—and later those of his
12 company, Zamboola, LLC (“Zamboola”) –was to provide hardware and software
13 solutions for the mobile market to allow the interfacing of user information
14 between devices in an enhanced way. Accordingly, after filing in 2006 the
15 application that eventually issued as the ’342 patent, he set to work prototyping
16 solutions that reduced the claimed inventions to practice. Mr. Harold began by
17 modifying an “open source” cell phone released after filing, the Openmoko “Neo,”
18 which had an operating system and some of the hardware necessary to support
19 streaming media from the Internet to a high-resolution display device. However,
20 because the software on the Neo proved to be too unstable for the purposes of the
21 claimed inventions, the inventor was forced to migrate to an “Android” operating
22 system. Still more modifications were necessary after migrating to the Android
23 OS, which was not designed for the purpose of streaming media to a high-
24 resolution display device, and lacked the architecture for concurrent, multi-
25 threaded operations and interprocess communications. Subsequently, the inventor
26 adapted open source device drivers for these purposes. Additionally, because the
27 Neo had a USB port, the inventor developed a USB-to-VGA connector that
28 allowed the cell phone to display media at the higher resolution VGA, controlled

1 by the user via the Neo touchscreen. Thus, the software and hardware components
2 available required significant modifications from their original form before it was
3 possible to integrate them into a prototype incorporating the claimed inventions.

4 20. In early 2010, Zamboola was formed to commercialize the inventions.
5 Living in the Shreveport-Bossier area, Mr. Harold filed the Articles of
6 Incorporation for Zamboola as a Louisiana LLC in February, 2010, and worked to
7 develop branding and IP collateral necessary to raise venture capital. He and his
8 partner brought on personnel to advance Zamboola's objectives.

9 21. Zamboola believes that in terms of security, identity, mobility and
10 performance, the smartphone remains a strong platform for current and future
11 personal and enterprise computing. Given the continued advances in mobile
12 hardware and wireless broadband, an opportunity has arisen for the commercial
13 implementation of container-based virtualization on smartphones, allowing
14 distributed services and applications to run in concert with cloud computing
15 services as an on-demand distributed computing environment using any
16 combination of operating systems.

17 22. The invention disclosed and claimed in the Asserted Patents relates to
18 systems and methods that permit the use of a wireless cell phone as a connection,
19 communications and control device able to connect a full size desktop monitor or
20 other digital display device to the wireless cell phone. The phone "is used to create
21 an Internet or other network connection capable of accessing any browser-based
22 web site that is commonly accessible to a standard desktop computer having an
23 Internet connection." Examples of what can be downloaded from such browser-
24 based websites include digital movies and streaming video.

25 23. The "user may access" the movies and videos using the desktop
26 monitor because, for example, the user interfaces of the website providing this
27 content can be displayed through the desktop monitor. Those user interfaces are
28 sent to the desktop monitor by means of the wireless cell phone. The cell phone

1 can simultaneously provide network access to movies and video while also being
2 “used as a handheld controller device to select and play the movie or video.”

3 24. The specification of the Asserted Patents draws a distinction between
4 consumer electronic entertainment applications of the invention and applications
5 that are not related to that subject matter. *See*, for example, col. 12, line 61 – col.
6 13, line 4 of the ’542 patent which state that an example of a consumer electronic
7 entertainment application is a movie that is located remotely on an internet-
8 accessible server. On the other hand, this same section of the ’542 patent
9 recognizes that non-entertainment embodiments relate to, for example, remotely
10 accessing a document, spreadsheet or software application.

11 25. Claims 20, 60 and 69 of the ’342 patent cover both consumer
12 electronic entertainment applications, as well as non-consumer electronic
13 entertainment applications. All of the claims of the ’981 patent are specifically
14 limited to the electronic entertainment applications and embodiments of the
15 invention.

16 26. Figure 3A of both Asserted Patents shows an exemplary cell phone
17 400 that can be used in connection with the method and system described in the
18 above paragraphs. Cell phone 400 can be used to, for example, download a movie
19 or video stored on the remote server (formed by media applications 111 and media
20 112) so that it can be shown on the high-resolution digital display device 522.
21 Display 522 typically forms a part of a viewer’s media center environment that can
22 be at the viewer’s home. This display is not an accessory to the cell phone—
23 rather, it is, for example, a TV suitable for use in a movie room in a person’s home.

24 27. To download a movie or video from the remote server, the viewer first
25 obtains a first graphic user interface (“GUI”) associated with the website hosted on
26 the remote server from which movies or videos can be downloaded. For example,
27 the first GUI is provided to the cell phone 400 via an internet connection between
28 the cell phone 400 and the remote server. When the user reads or otherwise

1 interacts with the first GUI as it is shown on the display 522, the viewer is
2 informed about what movies or videos are available for download from the remote
3 server for consumer electronic entertainment purposes.

4 28. After the viewer of the display 522 has reviewed the first GUI and
5 selected a movie or video, the viewer interacts with the cell phone 400 to enter
6 entertainment selections commands into the cell phone 400. These commands are
7 based on the visual feedback the viewer obtained by reading or otherwise
8 interacting with the first GUI. The server processes the download commands, and
9 then sends the requested movie or video from the remote server, to the cell phone
10 400, and then to the display 522 for viewing by the viewer on the display 522. One
11 main advantage of the present invention is that, for example, the viewer can select,
12 download, control and experience a downloaded movie or video on the large media
13 center display 522 as opposed to the small display screen associated with the cell
14 phone 400.

15 29. The cell phone 400 can be connected to the display 522 in a number
16 of different ways. For example, Figure 3A shows a Wi-Fi chip 486 that allows the
17 phone 400 to communicate with the display device over, for example, wireless
18 connections between the phone 400 and the hub 105 and the display 522. The Wi-
19 Fi 33 chip can operate in accordance with one or more of the 802.11 standards.

20 30. All embodiments of the present invention allow the cell phone 400 to
21 be located a distance away from the display 522 at which a viewer may wish to
22 watch a movie at home (e.g. 10-15 feet) while still providing a high quality
23 viewing experience.

24 31. On April 30, 2016, RPX Corporation filed two petitions for *inter*
25 *partes* review of certain claims of the '342 patent. The two petitions were
26 IPR2016-00989 and IPR2016-01052.

27 32. On November 2, 2016, the Patent Trial and Appeal Board of the U.S.
28 Patent and Trademark Office ("the Board") in IPR2016-00989 declined to institute

1 review of claims 21, 22, 25, and 26 of the '342 patent. On the same date, the
2 Board in IPR2016-01052 declined to institute review of claims 12, 13, 60, 61, 69,
3 and 70 of the '342 patent. Each of these claims remain valid and enforceable.

4 33. Sockeye has obtained all substantial rights and interest in the '342 and
5 '981 patents, including all rights to recover for all past and future infringements
6 thereof.

7 V. DEFENDANT'S ACTS

8 34. Defendant manufactures, provides, sells, offers to sell, and/or
9 distributes infringing systems and methods. Defendant provides Wi-Fi Alliance
10 certified "Miracast" products to provide the infringing functionality. As set forth
11 on the Wi-Fi Alliance's website:

12 Wi-Fi CERTIFIED Miracast™ is a groundbreaking solution for seamlessly
13 displaying multimedia between devices, without cables or a network
14 connection. Users can do things like view pictures from a smartphone on a
15 big screen television, share a laptop screen with the conference room
16 projector in real-time, and watch live programs from a home cable box on a
17 tablet. Miracast connections are formed using Wi-Fi CERTIFIED Wi-Fi
18 Direct®, so access to a Wi-Fi® network is not needed – the ability to
19 connect is inside Miracast-certified devices.

20 Miracast is an industry-wide solution, so the technology works well across
21 devices, regardless of brand. Connections are easy to set up and use since
22 the devices choose the appropriate settings automatically. Miracast supports
23 premium content—like Blu-ray feature films, live television shows and
24 sports, or any other copy-protected premium content—allowing you to
25 watch what you want, where you want.

26 <http://www.wi-fi.org/discover-wi-fi/wi-fi-certified-miracast>.

27 35. Defendant employs Miracast technology in its accused
28 instrumentalities. Moreover, Defendant markets its accused instrumentalities as
certified under that technology standard. A generally comprehensive list of
Miracast-certified products provided by Defendant is publicly available at the
following website: [http://www.wi-fi.org/product-finder-
results?sort_by=default&sort_order=desc&capabilities=2&certifications=45](http://www.wi-fi.org/product-finder-results?sort_by=default&sort_order=desc&capabilities=2&certifications=45).

1 36. For example, Defendant commercializes at least the following
2 Miracast products: Microsoft Surface 3, Microsoft Wireless Display Adapter, and
3 Microsoft Miracast Dongle.

4 37. Microsoft's products infringe the Asserted Patents at least by
5 displaying a graphic user interface on a mobile communication device for a user to
6 select movies or videos to display on a display device, receiving a user selection
7 command for a video or movie on the mobile communication device, receiving the
8 selected video or movie on the mobile communication device, and/or transmitting
9 some of the selected video or movie from the mobile communication device to a
10 display device, in the manner claimed by the Asserted Patents.

11 38. Defendant has had knowledge of the Asserted Patents at least as of the
12 service of this Complaint. With knowledge of the Asserted Patents, Defendant
13 intentionally infringed, and continues to intentionally infringe, the patented
14 technology. It provides specifications and instructions for the installation and
15 infringing operation of such systems to its customers, who directly infringe.

16 39. Furthermore, with knowledge of the Asserted Patents, Defendant
17 provides related services, specifications, and instructions for the installation and
18 infringing operation of such systems to the customers of its products, who directly
19 infringe through the operation of those products.

20 40. With knowledge of the Asserted Patents, Defendant has purposefully
21 and voluntarily placed infringing products in the stream of commerce with the
22 expectation that its products will be purchased by customers in the State of
23 California and this District, and advertised those products.

24 41. Through its actions, Defendant has infringed the Asserted Patents, and
25 Defendant has and actively induced others to infringe the Asserted Patents
26 throughout the United States, including in the State of California and this District.

27 42. Sockeye has been and will continue to suffer damages as a result of
28 Defendant's infringing acts unless and until enjoined.

Direct and Joint Infringement

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2 43. Sockeye restates and realleges each of the allegations set forth above
3 and incorporates them herein.

4 44. Upon information and belief, Microsoft manufactures, uses,
5 distributes, offers to sell, and/or sells devices including wireless adapters, phones,
6 tablets, blu-ray players, displays and projectors in the State of California, this
7 District, and elsewhere. Examples of Defendant’s infringing products include the
8 Microsoft Wireless Display Adapter, Microsoft Lumia 950, Microsoft Surface Pro
9 4, Microsoft Surface Studio, and Xbox One. These products, when used in
10 combination (including in combination with devices of third parties) by Microsoft
11 and others, directly infringe the Asserted Patents as described in paragraph 37. By
12 way of example only, a Microsoft Miracast compatible cell phone device receiving
13 a video or movie selection command and then transmitting some of the selected
14 video or movie to a Microsoft Miracast compatible display or projector directly
15 infringes claim 1 of the ’981 patent in the manner described by paragraph 37.

16 45. By way of example only, a Microsoft display or projector is a
17 peripheral device system having the peripheral device and an interconnector (a
18 Miracast compatible communication connection) connecting the peripheral device
19 with a wireless device and, based on user controls, downloads user information
20 from a server to the peripheral device and uses the downloaded user information to
21 create a user environment and directly infringes claim 21 of the ’342 patent.

22 46. Upon information and belief, Microsoft employees, within this
23 District and elsewhere, use Microsoft devices in a manner that directly infringes
24 the Asserted Patents.

25 47. To the extent that some elements of a claim are performed by a
26 different party than Microsoft, Microsoft directs and controls the other party to
27 jointly infringe the Asserted Patents, including through a contractual relationship.
28 Upon information and belief, Microsoft contracts with vendors, customers, third

1 parties, and/or end users and provides infringing software, including Miracast
2 components, to them in this jurisdiction and elsewhere to use Microsoft phones,
3 tablets and other portable devices with Microsoft projectors and other display
4 devices in a manner that directly infringes the Asserted Patents. Upon information
5 and belief, Microsoft enters into agreements with vendors, customers, third parties,
6 end users and others concerning the operation and use of infringing devices and
7 functionality within this jurisdiction and elsewhere.

8 48. Upon information and belief, Microsoft, through its infringing devices
9 and software, participates in the infringement and receives a benefit upon
10 performance of steps of the patented method. For example, Microsoft provides the
11 hardware, including the mobile communications device and/or the display device
12 that its customers, third parties, and/or end users may use to perform steps of the
13 infringing method. Microsoft receives a benefit from such actions by third party
14 users and customers of its devices as it allows Microsoft to display, demonstrate, or
15 provide a desirable product. Microsoft specifically advertises the infringing
16 functionality of its devices, including Miracast.

17 49. Microsoft issues computerized instructions to direct or control users
18 and infringing devices to conduct acts of infringement. Through its software
19 embedded on users' infringing devices, as well as its contractual relationships with
20 users (including Microsoft vendors), Microsoft directs and controls infringing
21 devices to directly infringe the Asserted Patents.

22 50. All of the above acts constitute acts of direct infringement.

23 **Induced and Contributory Infringement**

24 51. Sockeye restates and realleges each of the allegations set forth above
25 and incorporates them herein.

26 52. Upon information and belief, Microsoft manufactures, sells, offers for
27 sale, imports, distributes, and provides Miracast compatible devices that actively
28 induce and contribute to the direct infringement of the Asserted Patents by third

1 parties, including third party users and Microsoft customers. Third party users and
2 Microsoft customers directly infringe the Asserted Patents in the manner described
3 in paragraph 37. By way of example only, Microsoft provides Miracast
4 compatible Microsoft phones and/or tablets which are used to display a graphic
5 user interface to allow users to input movie or video selection commands to the
6 phones, to receive the selected movie or video, and to transmit a portion of the
7 selected movie or video to a display device in the manner claimed by the Asserted
8 Patents. By way of example only, Microsoft provides Miracast compatible
9 Microsoft blu-ray player and/or projector display devices which receives a portion
10 of a movie or video from a mobile communication device that displays a graphic
11 user interface to allow users to input movie or video selection commands, receive
12 the selected movie or video, and transmit a portion of the selected movie or video
13 in the manner claimed by the Asserted Patents.

14 53. Upon information and belief, Microsoft induces the direct
15 infringement of the Asserted Patents by providing its customers, third parties,
16 and/or end users of Microsoft devices instructions, materials, advertisements,
17 services, encouragement and software to use or operate the Microsoft devices in an
18 infringing manner described in the preceding paragraph. Upon information and
19 belief, Microsoft further induces infringement by its customers, third parties,
20 and/or end users by knowingly and specifically designing and programming its
21 devices to be operated by its customers, third parties, and/or end users in an
22 infringing manner. Upon information and belief, Microsoft provides and instructs
23 third parties to use the aforementioned products in the manner claimed in the
24 Asserted Patents. Further, Microsoft has actively induced infringement by its
25 customers, third parties, and/or end users in this judicial district. For example,
26 Defendant's website [https://www.microsoft.com/accessories/en-](https://www.microsoft.com/accessories/en-us/products/adapters/wireless-display-adapter-2/p3q-00001)
27 [us/products/adapters/wireless-display-adapter-2/p3q-00001](https://www.microsoft.com/accessories/en-us/products/adapters/wireless-display-adapter-2/p3q-00001) advertises using
28 Microsoft's Miracast compatible smartphones and tablets to "share what's on your

1 tablet, laptop, or smartphone on an HDTV or monitor with Microsoft Wireless
2 Display Adapter [and] stream movies . . . on a big screen.” Defendant’s website
3 further instructs customers and third parties to do the same.

4 54. Upon information and belief, Microsoft had knowledge of the ’342
5 and ’981 patents at least as of the dates described in paragraph 38.

6 Notwithstanding, Microsoft continues to willfully and with specific intent infringe
7 and cause others to infringe the Asserted Patents. Further, Microsoft provides,
8 makes, sells, and offers to sell Microsoft devices with the specific intent that its
9 customers, third parties, and/or end users use the Microsoft devices in an infringing
10 manner, and its customers, third parties, and/or end users do so.

11 55. Upon information and belief, Microsoft contributes to the direct
12 infringement of the Asserted Patents by providing infringing Microsoft devices and
13 device components to its customers, third parties, and/or end users. Upon
14 information and belief, components provided by Microsoft have no substantial
15 non-infringing uses and are especially made and/or adapted so as to infringe the
16 Asserted Patents.

17 56. Upon information and belief, Miracast components provided by
18 Microsoft on its devices cannot operate except in the infringing manner described
19 in paragraph 37 and thus necessarily has no substantial non-infringing use.
20 Microsoft has acted with specific intent to induce or cause infringement and to
21 conduct acts of infringement as described herein within this District and elsewhere.
22 Microsoft continues to contribute to the infringement of third parties even after
23 having notice and actual knowledge of the Asserted Patents as previously
24 described.

25 57. Upon information and belief, customers and users of Microsoft’s
26 infringing devices reside in the State of California and conduct the above described
27 acts within the State of California.

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COUNT ONE

PATENT INFRINGEMENT—U.S. PATENT NO. 8,135,342

58. Plaintiff restates and realleges each of the allegations set forth above and incorporates there herein.

59. Defendant directly and/or jointly with one or more third parties infringe the '342 patent by making, using, offering to sell, and selling infringing Microsoft products, including without limitation the Microsoft Wireless Display Adapter, in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

60. Defendant indirectly infringes the '342 patent by inducing or contributing to the infringement of the '342 patent in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(b)-(c)&(f), including by its customers/consumers.

61. Defendant does not have a license or permission to use the claimed subject matter in the '342 patent.

62. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's direct, joint, induced, and/or contributory infringement of the '342 patent, Plaintiff has been injured and has been caused significant financial damage.

63. Defendant's aforementioned acts have caused damage to Plaintiff and will continue to do so unless and until enjoined.

64. Plaintiff alleges upon information and belief that defendant has, knowingly or with willful blindness, willfully infringed one or more claims of the '342 patent. Defendant has knowledge of the '342 patent as previously alleged. Defendant acted with knowledge of the '342 patent and, despite its knowledge or despite that it should have known of an objectively high likelihood that its actions constituted infringement of Plaintiff's valid patent rights, continue to infringe.

65. This objectively-defined risk was either known or so obvious that it should have been known to Defendant. Plaintiff seeks enhanced damages pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284 from Defendant.

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COUNT TWO

PATENT INFRINGEMENT—U.S. PATENT NO. 9,547,981

66. Plaintiff restates and realleges each of the allegations set forth above and incorporates there herein.

67. Defendant directly and/or jointly with one or more third parties infringe the '981 patent by making, using, offering to sell, and selling infringing Microsoft products, including without limitation the Microsoft Wireless Display Adapter, in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

68. Defendant indirectly infringes the '981 patent by inducing or contributing to the infringement of the '981 patent in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(b)-(c)&(f), including by its customers/consumers.

69. Defendant does not have a license or permission to use the claimed subject matter in the '981 patent.

70. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's direct, joint, induced, and/or contributory infringement of the '981 patent, Plaintiff has been injured and has been caused significant financial damage.

71. Defendant's aforementioned acts have caused damage to Plaintiff and will continue to do so unless and until enjoined.

72. Plaintiff alleges upon information and belief that defendant has, knowingly or with willful blindness, willfully infringed one or more claims of the '981 patent. Defendant has knowledge of the '981 patent as previously alleged. Defendant acted with knowledge of the '981 patent and, despite its knowledge or despite that it should have known of an objectively high likelihood that its actions constituted infringement of Plaintiff's valid patent rights, continue to infringe.

73. This objectively-defined risk was either known or so obvious that it should have been known to Defendant. Plaintiff seeks enhanced damages pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284 from Defendant.

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VI. JURY DEMAND

74. Plaintiff hereby demands a jury on all issues so triable.

VII. REQUEST FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Sockeye respectfully requests that the Court:

- A. Enter judgment that Defendant directly, jointly, contributes to, or induces others to infringe one or more claims of the Asserted Patents literally and/or under the doctrine of equivalents;
- B. Permanently enjoin Defendant, their agents, servants, and employees, and all those in privity with Defendant or in active concert and participation with Defendant, from engaging in acts of infringement of the Asserted Patents;
- C. Award Plaintiff past and future damages together with prejudgment and post-judgment interest to compensate for the infringement by Defendant of the Asserted Patents in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §284, and increase such award by up to three times the amount found or assessed in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §284;
- D. Award Plaintiff its costs, disbursements, attorneys’ fees;
- E. Award Plaintiff prejudgment and post-judgment interest to the maximum extent provided under the law; and
- F. Award Plaintiff such further and additional relief as is deemed appropriate by this Court.

Respectfully submitted,

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