UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

SECURE CAM, LLC, a Wyoming limited liability company, Plaintiff, v.	Civil Action No. 5:18-cv-00374
FULCRUM BIOMETRICS, LLC, a Texas limited liability company,	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
Defendant.	

COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

Secure Cam, LLC ("Plaintiff") brings this complaint against Fulcrum Biometrics, LLC ("Defendant"). As its complaint against Defendant, Plaintiff alleges as follows:

NATURE OF THE ACTION

1. This is an action under 35 U.S.C. § 271 for infringement of United States Patent No. 8,531,555 ("the '555 Patent"), United States Patent No. 8,350,928 ("the '928 Patent"), United States Patent No. 8,836,819 ("the '819 Patent"), and United States Patent No. 9,363,408 ("the '408").

THE PARTIES

- 2. Plaintiff Secure Cam, LLC, is a Wyoming limited liability company having a principal place of business at 30 N. Gould St. STE R, Sheridan, WY 82801.
- 3. Defendant Fulcrum Biometrics, LLC is a Texas limited liability company having a principal place of business at 16108 University Oak, San Antonio, TX 78249.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 4. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a) because it arises under United States Patent law.
- 5. This Court has personal jurisdiction over the Defendant because, *inter alia*, it resides in the State of Texas; regularly conducts business in the State of Texas; and continues to commit acts of patent infringement in the State of Texas including making, using, offering to sell, and/or selling Accused Products within the State of Texas and this district.
- 6. Venue is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b), 1391(c) and 1400(b). Defendant is subject to this Court's personal jurisdiction because, *inter alia*, Defendants have committed and continue to commit acts of patent infringement including making, using, offering to sell, and/or selling Accused Products in this district, and/or importing Accused Products into this district; Defendant has a principal place of business in this judicial district, and Defendant employs personnel in this judicial district.

FACTS

- 7. Plaintiff is the owner, by assignment, of U.S. Patent No. 8,531,555 ("the '555 Patent"), entitled "Method and Apparatus for Automatically Categorizing Images in a Digital Camera," which was duly and legally issued on September 10th, 2013 by the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO").
 - 8. A copy of the '555 Patent is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit A.
 - 9. The claims of the '555 Patent are valid and enforceable.
- 10. Plaintiff is the owner, by assignment, of U.S. Patent No. 8,350,928 ("the '928 Patent"), entitled "Method and Apparatus for Automatically Categorizing Images in a Digital

Camera," which was duly and legally issued on January 8th, 2013 by the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO").

- 11. A copy of the '928 Patent is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit B.
- 12. The claims of the '928 Patent are valid and enforceable.
- 13. Plaintiff is the owner, by assignment, of U.S. Patent No. 8,836,819 ("the '819 Patent"), entitled "Method and Apparatus for Automatically Categorizing Images in a Digital Camera," which was duly and legally issued on September 16th, 2014 by the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO").
 - 14. A copy of the '819 Patent is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit C.
 - 15. The claims of the '819 Patent are valid and enforceable.
- 16. Plaintiff is the owner, by assignment, of U.S. Patent No. 9,363,408 ("the '408 Patent"), entitled "Method and Apparatus for Automatically Categorizing Images in a Digital Camera," which was duly and legally issued on June 7th, 2016 by the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO").
 - 17. A copy of the '408 Patent is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit D.
 - 18. The claims of the '408 Patent are valid and enforceable.

COUNT I: CLAIM FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

<u>UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 271(a)</u>

- 19. Plaintiffs hereby incorporates by reference the allegations of paragraphs 1 through18 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 20. Claim 1 of the '555 Patent covers "a device, comprising a processing circuit configured to automatically generate at least one tag for an image captured using the device in

response to analyzing data associated with the image at a time of image capture, and a memory circuit configured to store the at least one tag with the data to thereby categorize the image."

- 21. Defendant manufactures, imports into the United States, offers for sale, and/or sells multi-biometric face and fingerprint access control readers, which infringe at least Claim 1 of the '555 Patent (hereafter "Accused Product(s)").
- 22. Defendant's Accused Product(s) include, without limitation PrioBio-ID multibiometric face and fingerprint access control readers.
- 23. A claim chart comparing Claim 1 of the '555 Patent to the Accused Product(s) is attached as Exhibit E.
- 24. The Accused Product(s) uses face recognition to document time and attendance of employees. See Exhibit E, p. 1.
- 25. Upon information and belief, the Accused Product(s) includes a processor and high definition camera for capturing the face of the users. See Exhibit E, p. 2.
- 26. The Accused Product(s) includes face recognition technology for capturing the face of the person standing in front of the camera and comparing it to stored faces to identify the person instantly. See Exhibit E, p. 2.
- 27. The Accused Product(s) include on-board memory for storing up to 2,000 faces. See Exhibit E, p. 3.
- 28. Each one of the elements included in the Infringing System, itemized in paragraphs 24 27 above, is an element in Claim 1 of the '555 Patent.
- 29. Plaintiff has been, and will continue to be, irreparably harmed by Defendant's ongoing infringement of the '555 Patent.

30. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's infringement of the '555 Patent, Plaintiff has been and will continue to be damaged in an amount yet to be determined.

COUNT II: CLAIM FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

<u>UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 271(a)</u>

- 31. Plaintiff hereby incorporates by reference the allegations of paragraphs 1 through 18 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 32. Claim 1 of the '928 Patent covers "a digital camera for automatically categorizing captured image data, the digital camera comprising a processor within the digital camera for capturing image data, an analysis module within the digital camera coupled to the processor and configured to perform image data analysis on the captured image data at the time of image capture by the digital camera and to automatically generate, responsive to the preformed image data analysis, a category tag for the captured image data; and a memory for storing the generated category tag in association with the captured image data for categorizing the captured image data."
- 33. Defendant manufactures, imports into the United States, offers for sale, and/or sells multi-biometric face and fingerprint access control readers, which infringe at least Claim 1 of the '928 Patent (hereafter "Accused Product(s)").
- 34. Defendant's Accused Product(s) include, without limitation PrioBio-ID Multi-Biometric Face and Fingerprint Access Control Reader.
- 35. A claim chart comparing Claim 1 of the '928 Patent to the Accused Product(s) is attached as Exhibit F.
- 36. The Accused Product(s) uses dual HD camera technology and face recognition to document time and attendance of employees. See Exhibit F, p. 1.

- 37. Upon information and belief, the Accused Product(s) includes a processor and high definition camera for capturing the face of users. See Exhibit F, p. 2.
- 38. The Accused Product(s) includes face recognition technology to capture the face of the person standing in front of the camera and compare it to stored faces to identify the person instantly. See Exhibit F, p. 3.
- 39. The Accused Product(s) includes on-board memory for storing up to 2,000 employee faces. See Exhibit F, p. 3.
- 40. Each one of the elements included in the Infringing System, itemized in paragraphs 36 39 above, is an element in Claim 1 of the '928 Patent.
- 41. Plaintiff has been, and will continue to be, irreparably harmed by Defendant's ongoing infringement of the '928 Patent.
- 42. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's infringement of the '928 Patent, Plaintiff has been and will continue to be damaged in an amount yet to be determined.

COUNT III: CLAIM FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

<u>UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 271(a)</u>

- 43. Plaintiff hereby incorporates by reference the allegations of paragraphs 1 through 18 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 44. Claim 1 of the '819 Patent covers "An apparatus comprising a processing device configured to detect a predetermined characteristic in an image file in response to capturing an image, automatically generate at least one category tag for the image file at a time of capturing the image based at least in part on the predetermined characteristic, attach the at least one category tag to the image file; and a memory device configured to store the image file with the attached at least one category tag."

- 45. Defendant manufactures, imports into the United States, offers for sale, and/or sells multi-biometric face and fingerprint access control readers, which infringe at least Claim 1 of the '819 Patent (hereafter "Accused Product(s)").
- 46. Defendant's Accused Product(s) include, without limitation ProBio-ID multibiometric face and fingerprint access control reader.
- 47. A claim chart comparing Claim 1 of the '819 Patent to the Accused Product(s) is attached as Exhibit G.
- 48. The Accused Product(s) uses face recognition technology to document time and attendance of employees. See Exhibit G, p. 1.
- 49. Upon information and belief, the Accused Product(s) includes a processor and high definition camera for capturing the face of users. See Exhibit G, p. 2.
- 50. The Accused Product(s) includes face recognition technology to capture the face of the person standing in front of the camera and compare it to stored faces to identify the person instantly. See Exhibit G, p. 2.
- 51. The Accused Product(s) includes on-board memory for storing up to 2,000 employee faces. See Exhibit G, p. 3.
- 52. Each one of the elements included in the Infringing System, itemized in paragraphs 48 51 above, is an element in Claim 1 of the '819 Patent.
- 53. Plaintiff has been, and will continue to be, irreparably harmed by Defendant's ongoing infringement of the '819 Patent.
- 54. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's infringement of the '819 Patent, Plaintiff has been and will continue to be damaged in an amount yet to be determined.

COUNT IV: CLAIM FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

<u>UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 271(a)</u>

- 55. Plaintiff hereby incorporates by reference the allegations of paragraphs 1 through 18 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 56. Claim 1 of the '408 Patent covers "a method comprising automatically generating, using a first processing device, at least one image category tag based at least in part on the first processing device analyzing image data associated with an image at a time of image capture, storing, in a memory device, the at least one image category tag as part of an image file storing the image; and automatically determining, using the first processing device or a second processing device, a category for the image based at least in part on the at least one image category tag."
- 57. Defendant manufactures, imports into the United States, offers for sale, and/or sells biometric face recognition time clocks, which infringe at least Claim 1 of the '408 Patent (hereafter "Accused Product(s)").
- 58. Defendant's Accused Product(s) include, without limitation, ProBio-ID multibiometric face and fingerprint access control reader.
- 59. A claim chart comparing Claim 1 of the '408 Patent to the Accused Product(s) is attached as Exhibit H.
- 60. The Accused Product(s) uses face recognition to document time and attendance of employees. See Exhibit H, p. 1.
- 61. Upon information and belief, the Accused Product(s) includes a processor and high definition camera for capturing the face of users. See Exhibit H, p. 2.

- 62. The Accused Product(s) includes face recognition technology for capturing the face of the person standing in front of the camera and comparing it to stored faces to identify the person instantly. See Exhibit H, p. 2.
- 63. The Accused Product(s) includes on-board memory for storing up to 2000 employee faces. See Exhibit H, p. 3.
- 64. Upon information and belief, the Accused Product(s) includes a processor and high definition camera for capturing the face of users. See Exhibit H, p. 3.
- 65. The Accused Product(s) includes face recognition technology for capturing the face of the person standing in front of the camera and comparing it to stored faces to identify the person instantly. See Exhibit, H p. 4.
- 66. Each one of the elements included in the Infringing System, itemized in paragraphs 60 65 above, is an element in Claim 1 of the '408 Patent.
- 67. Plaintiff has been, and will continue to be, irreparably harmed by Defendant's ongoing infringement of the '408 Patent.
- 68. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's infringement of the '408 Patent, Plaintiff has been and will continue to be damaged in an amount yet to be determined.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief against Defendant as follows:

- A. In favor of Plaintiff that Defendant has infringed one or more claims of the '555 Patent, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents;
- B. Requiring Defendant to pay Plaintiff its damages, costs, expenses, and prejudgment and post-judgment interest for Defendant's infringement of the '555 Patent as provided under 35 U.S.C. § 284, but not less than a reasonable royalty; and

C. For such other and further relief, as may be just and equitable.

D. Requiring Defendant to pay Plaintiff its damages, costs, expenses, and

prejudgment and post-judgment interest for Defendant's infringement of the '928 Patent as

provided under 35 U.S.C. § 284, but not less than a reasonable royalty; and

E. For such other and further relief, as may be just and equitable.

F. Requiring Defendant to pay Plaintiff its damages, costs, expenses, and

prejudgment and post-judgment interest for Defendant's infringement of the '819 Patent as

provided under 35 U.S.C. § 284, but not less than a reasonable royalty; and

G. For such other and further relief, as may be just and equitable.

H. Requiring Defendant to pay Plaintiff its damages, costs, expenses, and

prejudgment and post-judgment interest for Defendant's infringement of the '408 Patent as

provided under 35 U.S.C. § 284, but not less than a reasonable royalty; and

I. For such other and further relief, as may be just and equitable.

DEMAND FOR TRIAL BY JURY

Pursuant to Rule 38 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff hereby demands a

jury trial on all issues and causes of action triable to a jury.

Dated: April 26, 2018

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