# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS DALLAS DIVISION

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UNILOC USA, INC., UNILOC 2017 LLC	§	
and UNILOC LICENSING USA LLC,	§	Case No. 3:18-cv-01883-S
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Plaintiffs,	§	
	§	
v.	§	PATENT CASE
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BLACKBERRY CORPORATION,	§	
	§	
Defendant.	§	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
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## FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

Plaintiffs, Uniloc USA, Inc., Uniloc 2017 LLC and Uniloc Licensing USA LLC (together "Uniloc"), for their First Amended Complaint against defendant, Blackberry Corporation ("Blackberry"), allege as follows:

## THE PARTIES

1. Uniloc USA, Inc. is a Texas corporation having a regular and established place of business at Legacy Town Center I, Suite 380, 7160 Dallas Parkway, Plano, Texas 75024.

2. Uniloc 2017 LLC is a Delaware corporation having addresses at 1209 Orange

Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801 and 620 Newport Center Drive, Newport Beach, California 92660.

Uniloc Licensing USA LLC is a Delaware corporation having addresses at 1209
Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801 and 620 Newport Center Drive, Newport Beach,
California 92660.

4. Uniloc holds all substantial rights, title and interest in U.S. Patent No. 6,868,079 ("the '079 Patent") which is entitled RADIO COMMUNICATION SYSTEM WITH REQUEST RE-TRANSMISSION UNTIL ACKNOWLEDGED and issued on March 15, 2005. A copy of the '079 Patent was attached as Exhibit A to the Original Complaint filed in this case.

5. Blackberry is a Delaware corporation having a regular and established place of business in Irving, Texas. Blackberry may be served with process through its registered agent for service in Texas: Corporate Creations Network, Inc., 2425 W. Loop South, #200, Houston, Texas 77027.

6. Blackberry makes, uses, offers for sale, sells and/or imports products into the United States for sale to customers in this judicial district and throughout the United States, including those accused of infringement herein.

#### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

7. Uniloc brings this action for patent infringement under the patent laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. § 271, *et seq.* This Court has subject matter jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).

8. Venue is proper in this judicial district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(d) and 1400(b). Blackberry has a regular and established place of business, and has committed acts of infringement, in this judicial district.

# (INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 6,868,079)

9. Uniloc incorporates paragraphs 1-8 above by reference.

10. The '079 Patent describes in detail and claims in various ways inventions in systems and devices developed by Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. for improved communication of data therebetween by a primary device allocating time slots to secondary devices and the secondary devices use their respective allocated time slots to respond to the primary device until the primary device sends an acknowledgement to the secondary device.

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11. The '079 Patent describes problems and shortcomings in the then-existing field of communications between portable devices and describes and claims novel and inventive technological improvements and solutions to such problems and shortcomings. The technological improvements and solutions described and claimed in the '079 Patent were not conventional or generic at the time of their respective inventions but involved novel and non-obvious approaches to the problems and shortcomings prevalent in the art at the time.

12. The inventions claimed in the '079 Patent involve and cover more than just the performance of well-understood, routine and/or conventional activities known to the industry prior to the invention of such novel and non-obvious systems and devices by the '079 Patent inventor.

13. The inventions claimed in the '079 Patent represent technological solutions to technological problems. The written description of the '079 Patent describes in technical detail each of the limitations of the claims, allowing a person of ordinary skill in the art to understand what the limitations cover and how the non-conventional and non-generic combination of claim elements differ markedly from and improved upon what may have been considered conventional or generic.

14. Blackberry imports, uses, offers for sale, and sells in the United States electronic devices that operate in accordance with the LTE standards, including the following: BlackBerry Motion, BlackBerry Aurora, BlackBerry Keyone, Blackberry Key2, BlackBerry DTEK60, BlackBerry DTEK50, BlackBerry Priv, BlackBerry Leap, BlackBerry Classic Non Camera, BlackBerry Porsche Design P'9983, BlackBerry Passport, BlackBerry Classic, BlackBerry Porsche Design P'9982, BlackBerry Z30, , BlackBerry Q5, BlackBerry Z10, BlackBerry Q10 and BlackBerry 4G LTE Playbook (collectively "Accused Infringing Devices").

15. The Accused Infringing Devices are electronic devices that operate in compliance with the LTE Standards whereby one device is a primary device that allocates time slots to one or more secondary devices and wherein the secondary devices may respond with a request for services.

16. The Accused Infringing Devices include LTE capability and use a physical uplink control channel (PUCCH) to transmit between base stations and devices in FDD or TDD mode, both of which modes organize transmissions into radio frames of 10 ms duration.

17. Using PUCCH format 1, for example, a secondary device transmits scheduling request (SR) information to the primary device in respective time slots every nth sub-frame. For example, the SR may be sent twice in consecutive .5ms subframe time slots. This is repeated until the primary device transmits a resource allocation acknowledgement. The primary device detects the incoming SR by the presence of a certain energy level on the PUCCH.

18. The Accused Infringing Devices are used in communications systems wherein one device is a primary device that allocates time slots to one or more secondary devices in which the secondary device(s) may request services from the primary device.

19. Blackberry has infringed, and continues to infringe, claims of the '079 Patent in the United States, including at least claims 17-18, by making, using, offering for sale, selling and/or importing the Accused Infringing Devices in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

20. Blackberry specifically, knowingly and intentionally incorporates into the Accused Infringing Devices components and software that enable the devices to operate automatically as described above to infringe the '079 Patent.

21. In its marketing, promotional and/or instructional materials, including those identified below, Blackberry also specifically and intentionally instructs its customers to use the

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Accused Infringing Devices in a manner that causes the devices to send and receive data packets in accordance with LTE functionality.

22. Blackberry has infringed, and continues to infringe, at least claim 18 of the '079 Patent by actively inducing others to use, offer for sale, and sell the Accused Infringing Devices. Blackberry's customers who use those devices in accordance with Blackberry's instructions infringe claims 17-18 of the '079 Patent, in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a). Blackberry intentionally instructs its customers to infringe through training videos, demonstrations, brochures, installation and user guides, and other instructional and marketing materials, such as those located at one or more of the following:

- https://us.blackberry.com
- https://us.blackberry.com/smartphones/
- https://us.blackberry.com/smartphones/dtek50-60-by-blackberry/specifications/
- https://blackberrymobile.com/en/
- https://blackberrymobile.com/product/blackberry-key2/
- https://blackberrymobile.com/product/blackberry-keyone/
- https://blackberrymobile.com/product/blackberry-motion/
- https://blackberrymobile.com/us/specifications/keyone/
- https://blackberrymobile.com/us/specifications/keytwo/
- https://blackberrymobile.com/us/specifications/motion/
- https://help.blackberry.com/en/blackberryclassic/10.31/help/mes1334609214944.html
- https://help.blackberry.com/en/blackberry-z10/10.3.2/user-guidepdf/BlackBerry\_Z10\_Smartphone-User\_Guide-1337191904827-10.3.2-en.pdf
- https://blackberrymobile.com/support/blackberry-keyone/user-guide/

- https://www.digitaltrends.com/mobile/blackberry-key2-keyboard-guide/
- https://help.blackberry.com/en/dtek50/current/user-guide-pdf/DTEK50-6.0-User-Guide-en.pdf
- www.youtube.com
- www.youtube.com/user/blackberry/
- www.youtube.com/user/blackberrysupport
- www.youtube.com/user/BlackBerryDev
- www.youtube.com/watch?v=PtpskW9AZLQ
- www.youtube.com/watch?v=VNFmv6\_FQZk

Blackberry is thereby liable for infringement of the '079 Patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(b).

23. Blackberry has also infringed, and continues to infringe, at least claim 18 of the '079 patent by offering to sell, selling and/or importing the Accused Infringing Devices knowing that the devices are used in practicing the processes, or using the systems, of the '079 patent, and constitute a material part of the invention. Blackberry knows portions of the Accused Infringing Devices are especially made or especially adapted for use as described above to infringe the '079 patent, and not a staple article, or a commodity of commerce suitable for substantial noninfringing use. Blackberry is thereby liable for infringement of the '079 Patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(c).

24. Blackberry will have been on notice of the '079 Patent since, at the latest, the service upon it of the Original Complaint in this case. Blackberry has also been on notice of Uniloc's infringement allegations and theory of infringement since that date of service, and thus has known that its continued actions would induce and contribute to the infringement of claims of the '079 Patent. Despite that knowledge, and as further evidence of its intent, Blackberry has refused to discontinue its infringing acts and has also induced infringement by failing to remove

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the infringing functionality from the Accused Infringing Devices or otherwise place a noninfringing limit on their use.

25. By the time of trial, Blackberry will have known and intended (since receiving such notice) that its continued actions would actively induce and contribute to the infringement of at least claims 17-18 of the '079 Patent by others, including its customers.

26. Blackberry may have infringed the '079 Patent through other software and devices utilizing the same or reasonably similar functionality, including other versions of the Accused Infringing Devices.

27. Uniloc has been damaged by Blackberry's infringement of the '079 Patent.

## PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Uniloc requests that the Court enter judgment against Blackberry:

(A) declaring that Blackberry has infringed the '079 Patent;

(B) awarding Uniloc its damages suffered as a result of Blackberry's infringement of the '079 Patent;

(C) awarding Uniloc its costs, attorneys' fees, expenses, and interest, and

(D) granting Uniloc such further relief as the Court finds appropriate.

## **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Uniloc demands trial by jury, under Fed. R. Civ. P. 38.

Date: August 8, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that all counsel of record who have consented to electronic service are being served with a copy of this document via the Court's CM/ECF system on August 8, 2018.

<u>/s/ Kevin Gannon</u> Kevin Gannon