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10	CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA CLIPSY, LLC, a Nevada limited Case No.				
11	liability company,			COMPLAINT FOR PATENT	
12	Pla	aintiff,		INGEMENT	
13	VS.				
14	RAYMOND HAHN, a d/b/a RAYMOND'S	an individual BOUTIQUE	,		
15 16		efendant.			
17	Plaintiff CLIPSY, LLC ("Plaintiff" or "Clipsy") brings this Complaint against				
18	Defendant RAYMOND HAHN, an individual doing business as RAYMOND'S				
19	BOUTIQUE ("Defendant," "Mr. Hahn," and/or "Raymond's Boutique"), and states the				
20	following:				
21	SUBJECT-MATER JURISDICTION				
22	1. This is a civil action for patent infringement arising under the patent laws				
23	of the United States, 35 U.S.C. § 271 et seq., by Clipsy against Raymond's Boutique.				
24	As such, this Court has subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and				
25	1338(a).				
26	PARTIES				
27	2. Plaintiff Clipsy, LLC (defined above as "Plaintiff" or "Clipsy"), is a				
28	Nevada limited liability company whose principal place of business is located in Clark				
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1 County, Nevada.

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3. Defendant Raymond D. Hahn (defined above as "Defendant," "Mr.
Hahn," and/or "Raymond's Boutique"), is an individual whose residence and principal
place of business is located in this judicial district.

PERSONAL JURISDICTION AND VENUE

4. Raymond's Boutique is subject to personal jurisdiction in this judicial
district because it has intentionally targeted acts of patent infringement into this judicial
district by, without Clipsy's consent, advertising, offering for sale, and selling
unlicensed and infringing knock-off products to persons and/or entities located in this
judicial district, knowing that Clipsy is located in this judicial district, and knowing that
unlicensed and unauthorized sales would cause Clipsy to suffer injury and harm in this
judicial district.

5. Venue is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1400(b) because
Defendant resides, has committed acts of infringement, and has a regular and
established place of business in this judicial district.

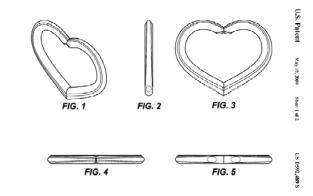
GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

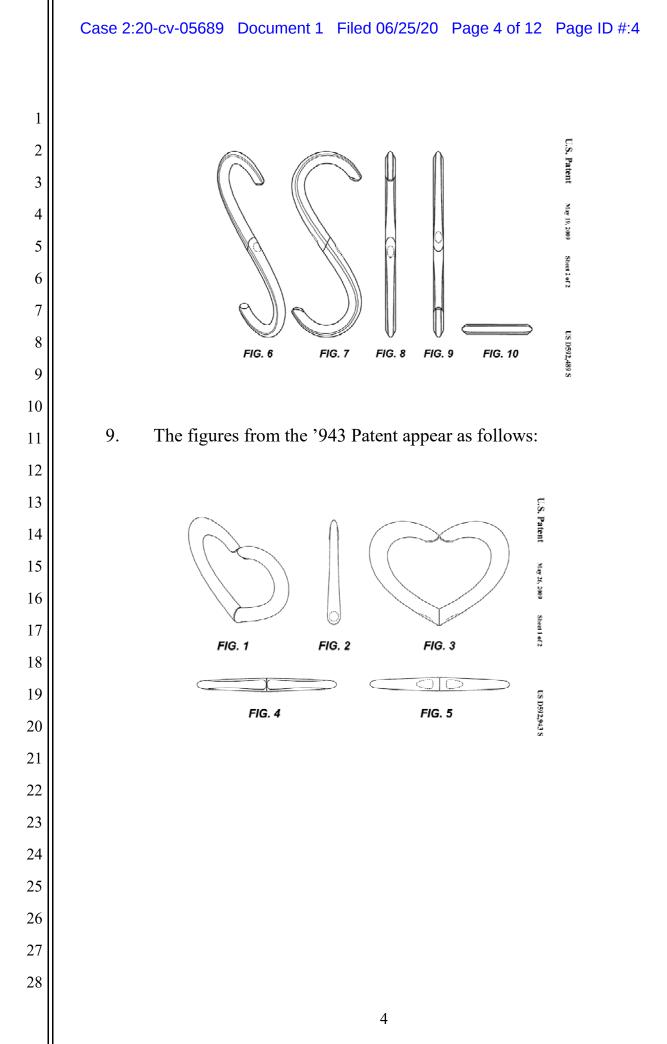
Clipsy is the inventor of the heart-shaped purse hanger. Clipsy's purse
hanger is unique because, when closed, it is shaped like a heart. When twisted open, it
forms an "S shape" and can be used to hang a purse, as is commonly done at restaurants
and bars. A representative sample of Clipsy's heart-shaped purse hanger appears below:

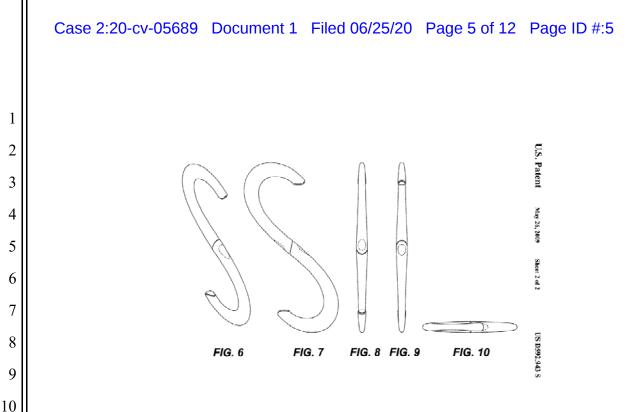




7. Clipsy owns two United States design patents for its heart-shaped purse
hanger: (a) U.S. Design Patent No. D592,489, entitled *Hanger for Purse or Other Article* (the "489 Patent"); and (b) U.S. Design Patent No. D592,943, entitled *Hanger for Purse or Other Article* (the "943 Patent") (together, the "Clipsy Design Patents").
True and accurate copies of the Clipsy Design Patents are attached hereto as Exhibit A.
8. The figures from the '489 Patent appear as follows:







In addition to the Clipsy Design patents, Clipsy owns three United States 10. 11 utility patents for its heart-shaped purse hanger, including: (a) U.S. Patent No. 12 8,162,276, entitled, Rotary Joint Assembly and Combination Clip-Hook and Jeweler 13 Piece Employing Same; (b) U.S. Patent No. 9,273,718, entitled Rotary Joint Assembly 14 and Combination Clip-Hook and Jewelry Piece Employing Same; and (c) U.S. Patent 15 No. 10,495,495,136, entitled Rotary Joint Assembly and Combination Clip-Hook and 16 Jewelry Piece Employing the Rotary Joint Assembly (together, the "Clipsy Utility 17 Patents") (together with the Clipsy Design Patents, the "Clipsy Patents"). True and 18 accurate copies of the Utility Patents are attached hereto as Exhibit B. 19

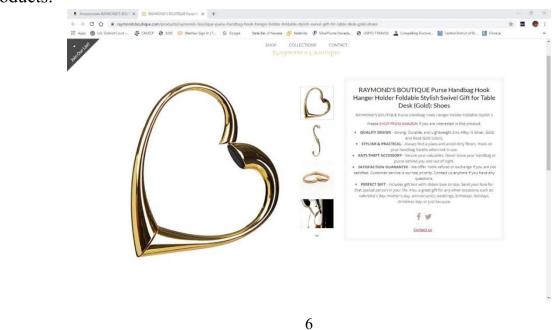
11. The Clipsy Patents are valid and subsisting. Under the Patent Act, the 20 Clipsy Patents confer upon Clipsy the exclusive right to make, use, offer to sell, sell, 21 and import into the United States heart-shaped purse hangers. See 35 U.S.C. § 271(a) 22 ("Except as otherwise provided in this title, whoever without authority makes, uses, 23 offers to sell, or sells any patented invention, within the United States or imports into 24 the United States any patented invention during the term of the patent therefor, infringes 25 the patent."). Accordingly, no one other than Clipsy and its authorized licensees may 26 make use, offer to sell, sell, or import into the United States heart-shaped purse hangers 27 in the United States. 28

DEFENDANT AND HIS ONGOING INFRINGEMENT

Defendant Raymond D. Hahn (defined above as "Defendant," "Mr. 12. 2 Hahn," and/or "Raymond's Boutique") operates several online businesses through 3 fictitious firm names including, without limitation: Raymond's Boutique, Microsite 4 Solutions, Enajyer Custom Design, and PropertyMicrosite.com. Several addresses are 5 associated with one or more of these businesses, including: (a) 10100 Santa Monica 6 Blvd., Los Angeles, CA, 90067; (b) 10445 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1706, W. Los Angeles, 7 CA 90024; (c) 1731 Colby Ave., Suite 205, Los Angeles, CA 90025; (d) 2450 Colorado 8 Blvd., Apt. 6, Los Angeles, CA 90041; and (e) 1835 Holmby Ave. #301, Los Angeles, 9 CA 90025. 10

11 13. Notwithstanding the Clipsy Patents, Raymond's Boutique is presently
12 manufacturing, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing into the United States
13 knock-off versions of Clipsy's heart-shaped purse hangers ("Infringing Products")
14 without Clipsy's authorization, license, or consent.

14. Mr. Hahn registered, owns, and operates the Internet domain name
raymondsboutique.com. A true and accurate copy of results from the WHOIS
database identifying Mr. Hahn as the registrant of <raymondsboutique.com
is attached
hereto as Exhibit C. A screenshot from the website shows his sale of Infringing
Products:



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15. Currently, the <raymondsboutique.com> domain redirects visitors to the
domain not to Raymond's Boutique's former website, but to its online store at
Amazon.com. A true and accurate copy of a screenshot showing the page that appears
in a web browser when <raymondsboutique.com> is entered into the web browser is
attached hereto as Exhibit D.

7 16. In April, 2020, Defendant's ad for heart-shaped bag hangers displayed on
8 Amazon.com offered silver or chrome colored bag hangers and appeared as follows:



17. On March 5, 2020, Clipsy's patent counsel emailed Mr. Hahn and notified 21 him of the existence of the Clipsy Patents and demanded that Raymond's Boutique 22 cease and desist from any further infringement. Raymond's Boutique did not respond 23 email continued sell Infringing Products the and through to to the 24 <raymondsboutique.com> website and through Amazon.com. 25

18. On March 20, 2020, Clipsy's patent counsel sent a letter to Mr. Hahn and
again notified him of the existence of the Clipsy Patents and again demanded that
Raymond's Boutique cease and desist from any further infringement. A true and

accurate copy of the letter (minus enclosures) is attached hereto as Exhibit E.
 Raymond's Boutique did not respond to the letter and continued to sell Infringing
 Products through Amazon.com.

4 19. On April 15, 2020, Clipsy's litigation counsel sent a letter to Mr. Hahn and
5 again notified him of the existence of the Clipsy Patents and again demanded that
6 Raymond's Boutique cease and desist from any further infringement. A true and
7 accurate copy of the letter (minus enclosures) is attached hereto as Exhibit F.
8 Raymond's Boutique did not respond to the letter and continues to sell Infringing
9 Products through Amazon.com.

20. However, since receiving Clipsy's cease and desist letters, Raymond's
 Boutique has increased the price of the infringing heart-shaped bag hangers it is selling,
 from \$11.95 per unit to \$14.95 per unit. Defendant's current advertisement appears at:
 https://www.amazon.com/RAYMONDS-BOUTIQUE-Handbag-Foldable-

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 Stylish/dp/B083PNGDC5/ref=sr_1_1?dchild=1&keywords=raymond%27s+boutique

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21. The ad appears as follows: 16 amazon 17 raymond's boutique All -Customer Service New Releases Find a Gift Today's Deals Whole Foods Gift Cards Registry AmazonBasics Coupons #FounditOnAmazor Sell 18 Power & Hand Tools Lighting & Ceiling Fans Kitchen & Bath Fixtures Smart Home Tools & Home Improvement Best Sellers Deals & Savinos Gift Ideas Shop by Room Launchnad 19 Unisex Seamless Face Bandana For Men - UV Protection Manic \$16.99 **yprime** Back to results 20 RAYMOND'S BOUTIQUE **RAYMOND'S BOUTIQUE Purse Handbag** 21 Hook Hanger Holder Foldable Stylish Swivel Gift for Table Desk 10 ratings 22 Price: \$14.95 FREE Shipping on orders over \$25.00 shipped by Amazon or get Fast, Free Shipping with Amazon Prim 23 FREE Return Color: Gold 24 \$14.95 \$14.95 \$14.95 + QUALITY DESIGN + Strong, Durable, and Lightweight Zinc Alloy 25 in Silver, Gold and Rose Gold colors. ♦ STYLISH & PRACTICAL ♦ Always find a place and avoid dirty floors. Hook on your handbag handle when not in use. 26 + ANTI-THEFT ACCESSORY + Secure your valuables. Never leave your handbag or purse behind you and out of sight. + SATISFACTION GUARANTEE + We offer 100% refund or exchange if you are not satisfied. Customer service is our top 27 priority. Contact us anytime if you have any questions. ♥ PERFECT GIFT ♥ Includes gift box with ribbon bow on top. Send your love for that special person in your life. Also, a great gift for 28 any other occasions such as: valentine's day, mother's day anniversaries, weddings, birthdays, holidays, christmas day, or just because 8

A true and accurate copy of the screenshot is attached hereto as **Exhibit G**.

2 22. Defendant's continued manufacture, use, offers for sale, sales, and/or 3 importation of Infringing Products into the United States has caused and continues to 4 cause Clipsy to suffer irreparable harm and injury in denigration of Clipsy's *exclusive* 5 right to manufacture, use, offer for sale, sell, and/or import into the United States its 6 Heart-Shaped Bag Hangars.

7 23. Absent temporary, preliminary, and permanent injunctive relief, Clipsy
8 will continue to suffer such irreparable harm and injury to its patent rights.

COUNT I Patent Infringement – Design Patents (35 U.S.C. § 271)

24. Plaintiff incorporates each of the foregoing allegations as if fully set forth
herein.

25. Raymond's Boutique is presently manufacturing, using, offering to sell,
selling, and/or importing Infringing Products into the United States that, under the
ordinary observer test, are substantially similar to the product designs covered by the
Clipsy Design Patents.

26. Defendant's conduct infringes the Clipsy Design Patents.

27. Raymond's Boutique has not obtained a license, permission, or consent
from Clipsy to manufacture, use, offer to sell, sell, and/or import the Infringing Products
into the United States.

21 28. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's infringement of the Clipsy
22 Design Patents, Clipsy has suffered and continues to suffer irreparable harm and injury
23 to its patent rights as well as monetary damages and injury in an amount to be
24 determined at trial.

25 29. Raymond's Boutique obtained actual knowledge of the Clipsy Design
26 Patents when it received Clipsy's cease and desist letters. Nevertheless, despite having
27 actual knowledge of the Clipsy Design Patents, upon information and belief,
28 Raymond's Boutique continues to make, use, offer to sell, sell, and/or import Infringing

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Products into the United States that infringe the Clipsy Design Patents in violation of
 Clipsy's patent rights.

30. By doing so, Raymond's Boutique has acted with reckless disregard of
Clipsy's patent rights in the Clipsy Design Patents when it knew or should have known
that its actions constituted infringement of the Clipsy Design Patents. Accordingly, this
is an exceptional case and Clipsy is entitled to an award of its reasonable attorneys' fees
and costs.

COUNT II Patent Infringement – Utility Patents (35 U.S.C. § 271)

31. Plaintiff incorporates each of the foregoing allegations as if fully set forth
herein.

32. Raymond's Boutique makes, uses, offers to sale, sells, and/or imports into
the United States, Infringing Products, as set forth above.

33. The Infringing Products literally infringe one or more claims of the Clipsy
Utility Patents including, without limitation, independent claim 1 of the '276 Patent,
independent claim 1 of the '718 Patent, and independent claim 1 of the '136 Patent.

34. Alternatively, the Infringing Products infringe one or more claims of the
Clipsy Utility Patents including, without limitation, independent claim 1 of the '276
Patent, independent claim 1 of the '718 Patent, and independent claim 1 of the '136
Patent under the doctrine of equivalents.

35. Raymond's Boutique has not obtained a license, permission from, or the
consent of Clipsy to make, use, offer to sell, sell, or import the Infringing Products into
the United States.

36. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's infringement of the Clipsy
Utility Patents, Clipsy has suffered and continues to suffer irreparable harm and injury
to its patent rights as well as monetary damages and injury in an amount to be
determined at trial.

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37. Raymond's Boutique obtained actual knowledge of the Clipsy Utility

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Patents when it received Clipsy's cease and desist letters. Nevertheless, despite having
 actual knowledge of the Clipsy Utility Patents, upon information and belief, Raymond's
 Boutique continues to make, use, offer to sell, sell, and/or import Infringing Products
 into the United States that infringe the Clipsy Utility Patents in violation of Clipsy's
 patent rights.

38. By doing so, Raymond's Boutique has acted with reckless disregard of
Clipsy's patent rights in the Clipsy Utility Patents when it knew or should have known
that its actions constituted infringement of the Clipsy Utility Patents. Accordingly, this
is an exceptional case and Clipsy is entitled to an award of its reasonable attorneys' fees
and costs.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Clipsy respectfully requests that the court find in its favor and against Raymond's Boutique and that the court grant Clipsy the following relief:

A declaration that Raymond's Boutique and its Infringing Products infringe
 the Clipsy Design Patents and the Clipsy Utility Patents under 35 U.S.C. § 271 (a), (b),
 and/or (c), and a final judgment incorporating the same.

Equitable relief under 35 U.S.C. § 283, including but not limited to an
injunction against Raymond's Boutique and any of its officers, agents, employees,
assigns, representatives, privies, successors and those acting in concert or participation
with them from infringing, contributing to, and/or inducing infringement of the patents
or patent at issue.

3. An award of damages sufficient to compensate Clipsy for infringement of
the Clipsy Design Patents and the Clipsy Utility Patents together with costs,
prejudgment, and post judgment interest under 35 U.S.C. § 284.

4. Entry of an Order compelling Raymond's Boutique to compensate Clipsy
for any ongoing and/or future infringement of the Clipsy Patents in an amount and under
terms appropriate under the circumstances.

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5. A Declaration or Order finding Raymond's Boutique's infringement is

1 willful and/or an Order increasing damages under 35 U.S.C. § 284.

6. That Clipsy be granted such other and further relief as the court may deem just and proper under the circumstances.

DATED: this 25th day of June, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

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