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James M. Leatherwood,))	
Plaintiff,) 	
vs.	COURT FILE NO.	
Swarovski Optik North America Limited	4-05 cv-330	Δ
Defendant		4.2

PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL COMPLAINT

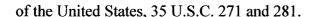
For its complaint against the Defendants, Plaintiff states and alleges as follows:

PARTIES

- 1. Plaintiff: James M. Leatherwood, ("J. Leatherwood") is a citizen and resident of the State of Texas residing at Box 140, Lingleville, Texas 76461.
- 2. Defendant: Swarovski Optik North America Limited ("SONAL") with its principal place of business at 2 Slater Road Cranston, Rhode Island 02920.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

3. This Court has jurisdiction over this civil action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 as all of the causes of action arises under the laws of the United States, in particular: the Patent Act



4. This Court also has jurisdiction over this civil action pursuant to 28 U.S.C\(\) 1332(a) as Plaintiffs have diversity of citizenship in relation to all Defendants and the amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000 exclusive of interest and costs.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

- 5. The Plaintiff designed and patented a new and useful improvement for optical sights that greatly facilitates shooting at different ranges or changing zeros for different loads. Scopes using one embodiment of this invention have been on the market for over 2 years in riflescopes built in China. The production of these scopes has been under proper license from the Plaintiff. The essence of the patent is separately moveable plates that become markers of different positions of the zeroing mechanism. The Defendant under its fictitious name Kahles USA has recently started to advertise for sale, a riflescope that uses an embodiment that is clearly covered by the Plaintiff's '550 patent claims. SONAL's corporate registration and the registration of Kahles and Kahles USA as fictitious names are attached at EXHIBIT 1.
- 6. Despite being put on notice by the Plaintiff to cease and desist, the Defendant has made no effort to resolve the issue.

CAUSE OF ACTION FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

- 7. Plaintiff repeats, realleges and incorporates the foregoing paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.
- 8. On August 10 2004, Patent 6,772,550, entitled "Rifle Scope Adjustment Invention," (hereafter referred to as '550 patent) was granted to J. Leatherwood. Since its issuance, J. Leatherwood has been, and continues to be, the owner of all right, title and interest in and to the '550 patent. A copy of the '550 patent is attached as **EXHIBIT 2**.

as EXHIBIT 3.

- 10. Unless enjoined by the Court, SONAL will continue to infringe the Plaintiff's '550 patent.
- As a direct and proximate result of SONAL's conduct, J Leatherwood has suffered 11. and will continue to suffer irreparable injury, for which it has no adequate remedy at law. The Plaintiff has also been damaged, and, until an injunction issues, will continue to be damaged in its business and reputation in an amount yet to be determined. Moreover, the willful and deliberate nature of SONAL's infringement renders this an exceptional case, and thus the Plaintiff is further entitled to treble damages, as well as its actual attorneys' fees and litigation costs.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief as follows:

- For a judicial determination and declaration that the '550 patent is valid and enforceable.
- 2. For a judicial determination and declaration that the '550 patent is infringed by the Defendant's product known as the "Multi-Zero".
- For a judicial determination and declaration that SONAL's infringement of the '550 3. patent is willful.
- 4. For an order preliminarily and permanently enjoining SONAL, its officers, directors, shareholders, agents, servants, employees and attorneys, and all entities and individuals acting in concert with them or on their behalf, from infringing the '550 patent.
 - 5. For damages according to proof, trebled;

- An award of damages to Plaintiff for his costs, disbursements and attorneys' fees 6. incurred in prosecuting this action.
- 7. An award of prejudgment and post judgment interest on Plaintiff's damages; and such other relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

REQUEST FOR JURY TRIAL

J Leatherwood requests a jury trial on all issues triable to a jury.

Dated this 24th day of May, 2005

Respectfully Submitted

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CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PERSONS

Under the provisions of L.R. 7.4 and L.R. 3.1(f) of the Local Rules of the United States District For the Northern District of Texas, the Plaintiff would show that the following are financially interested in the outcome of the case.

- 1. Plaintiff;
- 2. Defendant

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