

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
ATLANTA DIVISION**

**CRONOS TECHNOLOGIES,
LLC,**

Plaintiff,

v.

CARTER’S, INC.,

Defendant.



Civil Action No. _____

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

Plaintiff Cronos Technologies, LLC (“Plaintiff” or “Cronos”), by and through its undersigned counsel, files this Complaint for patent infringement against Defendant Carter’s, Inc. (“Defendant” or “Carter’s”) as follows:

NATURE OF THE ACTION

1. This is a patent infringement action to stop Defendant’s infringement of Plaintiff’s United States Patent No. 5,664,110 entitled “*Remote Ordering System*” (hereinafter, the “110 patent”); referred to as the “Patent-in-Suit”). A copy of the ‘110 patent, is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Plaintiff is the owner of the Patent-in-Suit with respect to the Defendant. Plaintiff seeks injunctive relief and monetary damages.

PARTIES

2. Cronos is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Delaware. Plaintiff maintains its principal place of business at 717 N. Union St. #65, Wilmington, Delaware 19805.

3. Plaintiff is the owner under the Patent-in-Suit with respect to the Defendant, including the exclusive right to sue the Defendant for infringement and recover past damages.

4. Upon information and belief, Defendant is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, having a place of business located at The Proscenium, 1170 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 900, Atlanta, Georgia, 30309. Upon information and belief, Defendant does business through its website, www.carters.com, which is accused of infringing the Patent-in-Suit.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

5. This action arises under the Patent Laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq.*, including 35 U.S.C. §§ 271, 281, 283, 284, and 285. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this case for patent infringement under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).

6. The Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendant because: Defendant has minimum contacts within the State of Georgia and the Northern

District of Georgia; Defendant has purposefully availed itself of the privileges of conducting business in the State of Georgia and the Northern District of Georgia; Defendant has sought protection and benefit from the laws of the State of Georgia; Defendant regularly conducts business within the State of Georgia and the Northern District of Georgia; and Plaintiff's causes of action arise directly from Defendant's business contacts and other activities in the State of Georgia and the Northern District of Georgia.

7. More specifically, Defendant, directly and/or through its intermediaries, ships, distributes, offers for sale, sells, and/or advertises (including the provision of an interactive web page) its products and services in the United States, the State of Georgia, and the Northern District of Georgia. Upon information and belief, Defendant and/or its customers have committed patent infringement in the State of Georgia and in the Northern District of Georgia. Defendant solicits customers in the State of Georgia and in the Northern District of Georgia. Defendant has many paying customers who are residents of the State of Georgia and the Northern District of Georgia and who use Defendant's products and services in the State of Georgia and in the Northern District of Georgia.

8. Venue is proper in the Northern District of Georgia pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391 and 1400(b).

COUNT I:
INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 5,664,110
BY CARTER'S, INC.

9. The '110 patent was duly and legally issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on December 8, 1994 after full and fair examination. Plaintiff is the owner under the '110 patent with respect to Defendant, including the exclusive right to sue Defendant for infringement and recover past damages.

10. Plaintiff is informed and believes that Carter's owns, operates, advertises, and controls its website, www.carters.com, that infringes the '110 patent either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents. Upon information and belief, Carter's has infringed and continues to infringe one or more claims of the '110 patent by making, using, and providing a remote ordering terminal, associated with Carter's and its order processing system with attendant item codes, comprised of a user identifier means, a data entry device, a user-specific database, a storage memory, a communication means between the devices and terminal, and a command entry device, in this district and elsewhere in the United States through its website.

11. Upon information and belief, Carter's has induced and continues to induce infringement of one or more claims of the '110 patent in this district and elsewhere in the United States, by its intentional acts which have successfully,

among other things, encouraged, instructed, enabled and otherwise caused its customers to use a remote ordering terminal, associated with Carter's and its order processing system with attendant item codes, comprised of a user identifier means, a data entry device, a user-specific database, a storage memory, a communication means between the devices and terminal, and a command entry device, said terminal having been provided by Carter's to its customers for the primary purpose of causing infringing acts by said customers. Carter's has had knowledge of the '110 patent since commencement of this action at least and, upon information and belief, continues to encourage, instruct, enable and otherwise cause its customers to use its products in a manner which infringes the '110 patent. Upon information and belief, Carter's has specifically intended that its customers use the accused products in such a way that infringes the '110 patent by, at minimum, providing instructions to its customers on how to use the accused products in such a way that infringes the '110 patent and knew that its actions, including but not limited to providing such instructions, would induce, have induced, and will continue to induce infringement by its customers.

12. Defendant's aforesaid activities have been without authority and/or license from Plaintiff.

13. Plaintiff is entitled to recover from Defendant the damages sustained by Plaintiff as a result of Defendant's wrongful acts in an amount subject to proof at trial, which, by law, cannot be less than a reasonable royalty, together with interest and costs as fixed by this Court under 35 U.S.C. § 284.

14. Defendant's infringement of Plaintiff's exclusive rights under the '110 patent will continue to damage Plaintiff, causing irreparable harm for which there is no adequate remedy at law, unless enjoined by this Court.

JURY DEMAND

15. Plaintiff demands a trial by jury on all issues.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Plaintiff respectfully requests the following relief:

- A. An adjudication that one or more claims of the '110 patent have been infringed, either literally and/or under the doctrine of equivalents, by the Defendant;
- B. An adjudication that one or more claims of the '110 patent have been infringed, by customers of the Defendant, said customers having been induced to infringe by the intentional actions of the Defendant;

- C. An award to Plaintiff of damages adequate to compensate Plaintiff for the Defendant's acts of infringement together with prejudgment interest;
- D. A grant of permanent injunction pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 283, enjoining the Defendant from further acts of (1) infringement, (2) contributory infringement, and (3) actively inducing infringement with respect to the claims of the Patent-in-Suit;
- E. That this Court declare this to be an exceptional case and award Plaintiff its reasonable attorneys' fees and costs in accordance with U.S.C. § 285; and,
- F. Any further relief that this Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted this 30th day of August, 2012.

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