UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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SIGMA CORPORATION; and SIGMA CORPORATION OF AMERICA;

Defendants.

CASE NO.

ORIGINAL COMPLAINT FOR INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 6,128,415

SACV12 - 01681 JST (ANx)

# **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Complaint Filed: October 1, 2012

# ORIGINAL COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

This is an action for patent infringement in which DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC submits this Original Complaint against Defendant named herein, namely SIGMA CORPORATION; and SIGMA CORPORATION OF AMERICA (collectively "SIGMA" or "Defendant"), as follows:



## THE PARTIES

- 1. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC ("DIGITECH" or "Plaintiff") is a California limited liability company with a place of business at 500 Newport Center Drive, Suite 700, Newport Beach, CA 92660.
- 2. On information and belief, SIGMA CORPORATION is a foreign company with a place of business at Kanagawa, Japan and SIGMA CORPORATION OF AMERICA is a New York corporation with a place of business at Ronkonkoma, NY. Hereinafter, SIGMA CORPORATION and SIGMA CORPORATION OF AMERICA are collectively referred to as "SIGMA."

# **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

- 3. This action arises under the patent laws of the United States, Title 35 of the United States Code. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).
- 4. On information and belief, Defendant is subject to this Court's specific and/or general personal jurisdiction, pursuant to due process and/or the California Long Arm Statute, due at least to its substantial business in California, including related to the infringements alleged herein. Further, on information and belief, Defendant has, within this forum, engaged in at least the selling of the accused products listed herein. In addition, Defendant induces infringement of the patent-insuit by sellers and/or infringing users located in this forum. Further, on information

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and belief, Defendant has interactive websites which are used in and/or accessible in this forum. Further, on information and belief, Defendant regularly conducts and/or solicits business, engages in other persistent courses of conduct, and/or derives substantial revenue from goods and services provided to persons and/or entities in California.

5. Venue is proper in this district under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b), 1391(c) and 1400(b). Without limitation, on information and belief, Defendant is subject to personal jurisdiction in this district. On information and belief, the Defendant is subject to this Court's specific and/or general personal jurisdiction, pursuant to due process and/or the California Long Arm Statute, due at least to their substantial business in this district, including related to the infringements alleged herein. Further, on information and belief, Defendant is, within this forum, engaged in at least the selling of the accused products listed herein. In addition, Defendant induces infringement of the patent-in-suit by sellers and/or infringing users located in this forum. Further, on information and belief, Defendant has interactive websites which are used in and/or accessible in this forum. Further, on information and belief, Defendant regularly conducts and/or solicits business, engages in other persistent courses of conduct, and/or derives substantial revenue from goods and services provided to persons and/or entities in California.

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## **COUNT I**

# **INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 6,128,415**

- 7. United States Patent No. 6,128,415 ("the '415 patent"), entitled "DEVICE PROFILES FOR USE IN A DIGITAL IMAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM," issued on October 3, 2000.
- 8. DIGITECH is the present assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the '415 patent, including all rights to sue for past and present infringement. Accordingly, DIGITECH has standing to bring this lawsuit for infringement of the '415 patent.
- 9. The various claims of the '415 patent cover, *inter alia*, a device profile for describing properties of a device in a digital image reproduction system to capture, transform or render an image, said device profile comprising: first data for describing a device dependent transformation of color information content of the image to a device independent color space; and second data for describing a device dependent transformation of spatial information content of the image in said device independent color space.
- 10. On information and belief, SIGMA has been and now is infringing the '415 patent by actions comprising making, using, importing, selling and/or offering to sell products comprising a device profile for describing properties of a device in a digital image reproduction system to capture, transform or render an image, said

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27 28 device profile comprising: first data for describing a device dependent transformation of color information content of the image to a device independent color space; and second data for describing a device dependent transformation of spatial information content of the image in said device independent color space.

- 11. Moreover, on information and belief, SIGMA has been and now is indirectly infringing by way of intentionally inducing infringement of the '415 patent in this judicial district, and elsewhere in the United States, including by aiding or abetting re-sellers, including but not limited to B&H and BUY.COM, to sell and/or offer for sale infringing products and/or customers and/or users to use infringing products. Upon information and belief, such induced infringement has occurred at least since this Defendant became aware of the '415 patent, at least through becoming aware of this Complaint.
- 12. Upon present information and belief, SIGMA's infringing products comprise at least the following accused products: DP1s, DP2s, DP1x, DP2x, DP1, DP2, SD15 and SD1.
- 13. SIGMA is thus liable for infringement of the '415 patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 271.
- 14. As a result of Defendant's infringing conduct, Defendant has damaged DIGITECH. Defendant is liable to DIGITECH in an amount that adequately

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compensates DIGITECH for its infringement, which, by law, can be no less than a reasonable royalty.

15. DIGITECH will take discovery relative to Defendant's pre-suit knowledge of the '415 patent at the appropriate time. Upon information and belief, Defendant's infringement of the '415 patent since receiving notice of the patent, at a minimum by virtue of this lawsuit, would necessarily be willful and objectively reckless at least due to the fact that the Defendant's infringement is clear and there is no known good faith basis to assert invalidity.

## **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, DIGITECH respectfully requests that this Court enter:

- 1. A judgment in favor of DIGITECH that Defendant has infringed, directly and/or indirectly, the '415 patent;
- 2. A judgment that the Defendant's infringement is and/or has been willful and objectively reckless;
- 3. A permanent injunction enjoining Defendant, and its officers, directors, employees, agents, affiliates and all others acting in active concert therewith from infringing the '415 patent;
- 4. A judgment and order requiring Defendant to pay DIGITECH its damages, costs, expenses, and prejudgment and post-judgment interest for Defendant's infringement of the '415 patent as provided under 28 U.S.C. § 284;

- 5. An award to DIGITECH for enhanced damages as provided under 35 U.S.C. § 284;
- 6. A judgment and order finding that this is an exceptional case within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 285 and awarding to DIGITECH its reasonable attorneys' fees;
- 7. Any and all other relief to which DIGITECH may show itself to be entitled.

# **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Plaintiff, under Rule 38 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, requests a trial by jury of any issues so triable by right.

Dated: October 1, 2012

Respectfully submitted,

COLLINS, EDMONDS, POGORZELSKI, SCHLATHER & TOWER, PLLC

John J. Edmonds – LEAD COUNSEL State Bar No. 274200

Attorney for Plaintiff DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC

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862	BL	All claims for "Black Lung" benefits under Title 4, Part B, of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969. (30 U.S.C. 923)		
863	DIWC	All claims filed by insured workers for disability insurance benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended; plus all claims filed for child's insurance benefits based on disability. (42 U.S.C. 405(g))		
863	DIWW	All claims filed for widows or widowers insurance benefits based on disability under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. 405(g))		
864	SSID	All claims for supplemental security income payments based upon disability filed under Title 16 of the Social Security Act, as amended.		
865	RSI	All claims for retirement (old age) and survivors benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. (g))		

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VIII(b). RELATED CASES: Have any cases been previously filed in this court that are related to the present case?

- 1. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES v. ELECTRONIC FOR IMAGING, ET AL., (Case No. SACV 23-01324-JVS-RNB
- 2. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. B&H FOTO & ELECTRONICS CORP. (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 3. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. BEST BUY CO., INC.; BEST BUY STORES, LP; BESTBUY.COM, LLC (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 4. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. BUY.COM INC. (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 5. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. CANON INC.; CANON U.S.A., INC. (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 6. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD.; CASIO AMERICA, INC. (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 7. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. CDW LLC (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 8. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. FUJIFILM CORPORATION; FUJIFILM HOLDINGS CORPORATION; FUJIFILM HOLDINGS AMERICA CORPORATION (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 9. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. GENERAL IMAGING COMPANY (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 10. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. VICTOR HASSELBLAD AB; HASSELBLAD USA INC. (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 11. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. LEICA CAMERA AG; LEICA CAMERA INC. (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 12. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. MAMIYA DIGITAL IMAGING CO., LTD.; LEAF IMAGING LTD. D/B/A MAMIYALEAF; MAMIYA AMERICA CORPORATION (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 13. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. MICRO ELECTRONICS, INC. D/B/A MICRO CENTER (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 14. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. NEWEGG, INC.; NEWEGG.COM, INC. (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 15. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. NIKON CORPORATION; NIKON INC.; NIKON AMERICAS, INC. (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 16. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. OLYMPUS CORPORATION; OLYMPUS IMAGING AMERICA INC. (Civil Action No. TBD)

- 17. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. OVERSTOCK.COM, INC. (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 18. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. PANASONIC CORPORATION; PANASONIC CORPORATION OF NORTH AMERICA (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 19. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. PENTAX RICOH IMAGING CO., LTD.; PENTAX RICOH IMAGING AMERICAS CORPORATION; RICOH COMPANY, LTD.; RICOH AMERICAS CORPORATION (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 20. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. SAKAR INTERNATIONAL, INC. D/B/A VIVITAR (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 21. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. SIGMA CORPORATION; SIGMA CORPORATION OF AMERICA (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 22. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. SONY CORPORATION; SONY CORPORATION OF AMERICA; SONY ELECTRONICS INC. (Civil Action No. TBD)
- 23. DIGITECH IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC v. TARGET CORPORATION (Civil Action No. TBD)

# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

### NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT TO UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR DISCOVERY

This case has been assigned to District Judge Josephine Tucker and the assigned discovery Magistrate Judge is Arthur Nakazato.

The case number on all documents filed with the Court should read as follows:

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Pursuant to General Order 05-07 of the United States District Court for the Central District of California, the Magistrate Judge has been designated to hear discovery related motions.

All discovery related motions should be noticed on the calendar of the Magistrate Judge

# NOTICE TO COUNSEL A copy of this notice must be served with the summons and complaint on all defendants (if a removal action is filed, a copy of this notice must be served on all plaintiffs). Subsequent documents must be filed at the following location: L] Western Division 312 N. Spring St., Rm. G-8 411 West Fourth St., Rm. 1-053 3470 Twelfth St., Rm. 134 Los Angeles, CA 90012 Santa Ana, CA 92701-4516 Riverside, CA 92501

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