



COPYRIGHT CLAIMS BOARD

Docket number: 24-CCB-0374

December 6, 2024

Singapore New Reading Technology Pte. Ltd.,
Tap Story, Inc.

CLAIMANT

v.

Sail HongKong Limited

RESPONDENT

ORDER TO AMEND NONCOMPLIANT CLAIM

The Copyright Claims Board finds that your claim does not comply with the requirements of the CASE Act and related regulations. The claim cannot move forward unless it is amended.

If you wish to proceed with this claim, you must file an amended claim by **January 6, 2025**. If you do not, the Board must dismiss your claim without prejudice, although you may file again in the future before the Board or in federal court. If you file an amended claim and it is found compliant, you will be notified and directed to proceed with service. There is no additional filing fee for an amended claim. 17 U.S.C. § 1506(f)(1)(B).

To make your amended claim compliant, you must resolve the issues identified below. 37 C.F.R. § 224.1(c)(2). **If you cannot truthfully correct the errors below, you should not file an amended claim.** You may also choose to correct or edit any errors or other information in your claim before you file it again. You do not need to provide a legal argument in your claim – just a statement of facts and circumstances. Being specific in your description gives the other party and the Board more information about your claim. There is no character limit, so please be as detailed as possible.

Legal or Beneficial Ownership

You have raised a claim of copyright infringement on behalf of two claimants, Singapore New Reading Technology Pte. Ltd. and Tap Story, Inc. for the infringement of a work entitled “Even After Death.” To support your claim, you provide an open application for registration, SR 1-14530239611. In the application, only Singapore New Reading Technology Pte. Ltd. is listed as the copyright claimant, or owner of copyright. As a result, the claim does not present clear facts that indicate how Tap Story is a proper claimant to bring this infringement claim.

To bring a copyright infringement claim before the Board, the claimant must be “the legal or beneficial owner of the exclusive right [in a copyrighted work] at the time of the infringement.” 17 U.S.C. § 1504(c)(1). A legal owner is an author of the work who owns the exclusive rights at issue or a person or entity that has received a transfer of those rights, for example, by an assignment or an exclusive license. A beneficial owner is a legal owner who has transferred the rights at issue but retains some of the advantages of ownership, such as the right to receive royalties from the use of the work. A claimant who is not a named copyright owner of the allegedly infringed work must provide some specific details or supplemental documents explaining how the claimant owns, or has an

exclusive license to use, the exclusive rights at issue. More information about legal and beneficial ownership is available at page 4 of the [Starting an Infringement Claim](#) chapter of the CCB Handbook.

If you amend your claim, please either remove Tap Story as a claimant or provide additional information about their legal or beneficial ownership status. The Board is completely separate from the Copyright Office's registration system, so if you believe Tap Story is entitled to be listed on the registration as a copyright claimant along with Singapore New Reading Technology, that is something you would need to take up with the registration division, which you may do while your registration is still in processing. For more information on this process, you can contact the Copyright Office at copyinfo@copyright.gov.

Respondent Address

To proceed with a claim, you must include the respondent's mailing address. 37 C.F.R. § 222.2(c)(6). In your claim, you provide the address of DomainsByProxy.com as the respondent's address. DomainsByProxy is a third-party company that provides domain privacy services and is not the same entity as the respondent. You will need to provide the actual mailing address of the respondent. You should not file an amended claim without this. Please note that the time for filing an amended claim cannot be extended.

The Board further notes that the respondent's counternotice was submitted in Chinese. Please be aware that the Board cannot hear a claim asserted against a person or entity residing outside the United States. 17 U.S.C. § 1504(d)(4). Accordingly, if the respondent resides in China, you should not amend your claim.

If you decide to submit an amended claim, log into your eCCB account and take the following steps:

1. From your dashboard, click the **"Amend claim"** button and select your docket number from the dropdown list.
2. Your claim will unlock for editing. The information you originally entered will appear in the same order as in your original claim.
3. Make the necessary edits. If you have filed supplemental documents, you must re-upload any documents you wish to include in the amended claim on the **"Documentation"** page. Please include only documents directly related to your claim, and label them clearly.
4. Once you have completed your edits, continue to click through the fillable claim form until you reach the **"Review"** page. The Review page includes all the information that you have provided in the claim up to this point. Carefully double-check the information on this page. If you have any corrections, you can select **"Edit"** to revise any entries necessary. Each section of information has an **"Edit"** button, which will take you back to that section so you can make changes. After you make changes, you can click **"Save & review"** to return to the Review page. Please review your claim carefully. Once you submit your amended claim, you will be unable to edit the claim while it is in compliance review.
5. Once you have completed your review and any revisions, you must confirm that the information in your claim is accurate and truthful to the best of your knowledge. To complete the declaration, type your full

name into the “**Digital signature**” box near the bottom of the “**Review filing**” page and click “**Agree & submit.**”

If you have questions, please contact asktheboard@ccb.gov. Include your docket number in the subject line. The Board is unable to provide legal advice. We can only provide legal information and assistance concerning Board procedures and requirements. If you would like to seek further guidance from a lawyer or a law student at reduced or no cost, please visit the [Pro Bono Assistance](#) page on ccb.gov. You may also refer to the [Compliance Review](#) chapter of the CCB Handbook for more assistance.

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