Docket number: 25-CCB-0053

February 11, 2025

Denise C. Cornute	V	Apple Inc.
CLAIMANT	ν.	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 <u>March 13, 2025</u>. 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). 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.

Pleading Form

The Board claim form is a standardized form, available on eCCB, where claimants must enter all relevant allegations. You submitted, as supplemental material along with the claim, a four-page document styled as a "Complaint for Copyright Infringement" (Complaint) that includes extensive factual assertions not raised in the claim itself. You should use the actual claim form to make a clear statement of your factual allegations. While you may attach a separate document that recites additional facts, the relevant facts should be included in the claim form responses. Furthermore, if you do file a separate document to recite additional facts, please make them clear and keep them relevant to the claim at issue.

In addition, your <u>Complaint</u> document refers to supplemental exhibits that were not filed with the claim, and presents factual allegations about the allegedly infringing website in a hyperlink. However, in part because hyperlinks can lead to material that is no longer available online, the Board will not take into account material that is solely referred to in a hyperlink and not uploaded as supplemental material in the "Supplemental documentation" section. If you file an amended claim, include all relevant allegations in the claim form, and upload any relevant material you want the Board to review as supplemental documents, not just as hyperlinks.

Title of Work

You have raised a claim of copyright infringement. Your allegations do not clearly identify the title of the allegedly infringed work. In the "Works infringed" section of the claim form, you state that the work is titled "It's Time" and registered by the Copyright Office with Registration No. SRU000968844. However, your supplemental Complaint indicates that the allegedly infringed work covered by that registration is titled "I LUV YA." If you file an amended claim, you must specify the title of the allegedly infringed work.

Designated Service Agent

The respondent has designated a service agent, listed in the Board's <u>Designated Service Agent Directory</u>, to accept service of claims brought before the Board. You did not include the <u>address</u> for the designated service agent found in that directory. If you file an amended claim, you must put the complete address listed for the service agent in the directory into the claim form for the respondent's address. If the Board finds your amended claim compliant and authorizes service, you will need to have the claim served on the service agent, using the service method specified in the directory.

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, <u>you must re-upload any documents you wish to include in the amended claim</u> 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 <u>asktheboard@ccb.gov</u>. 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 <u>Pro Bono Assistance</u> page on ccb.gov. You may also refer to the <u>Compliance</u> <u>Review</u> chapter of the CCB Handbook for more assistance.

Copyright Claims Attorney