## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

HONG KONG LEYUZHEN TECHNOLOGY CO., LIMITED,

Case No. 1:25-cv-00661-SJC-MDW

Plaintiff,

v.

batelibags, A Chinese Entity,

Defendants.

**Honorable Sharon Johnson Coleman** 

Magistrate M. David Weisman

## TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

Plaintiff Hong Kong Leyuzhen Technology Co. Limited, ("PLAINTIFF") filed a Motion for Entry of a Temporary Restraining Order and Other Relief (the "Motion") against the fully interactive, e-commerce stores operating under the domain name batelibags on the Amazon Platform identified in the Complaint ("DEFENDANT") and using at least the online marketplace account on Amazon.com. After reviewing the Motion, this Court GRANTS PLAINTIFF's Motion as follows:

The Court finds, in the absence of adversarial presentation, that it has personal jurisdiction over Defendant because Defendant directly targets its business activities toward consumers in the United States, including consumers in the State of Illinois. Specifically, PLAINTIFF has provided a basis to conclude that Defendant batelibags, Seller ID A3EVJI3ZMGEL1M, has targeted sales to Illinois residents by setting up and operating e-commerce stores that target United States consumers using one or more seller aliases, offer shipping to the United States, including to the State of Illinois, and has sold knockoff products through the unauthorized use and display of PLAINTIFF's federally registered copyrights (the "Plaintiff's Copyrights") to residents of the State of Illinois. (Docket No. 21-1, Exhibit 1 to the Complaint, which includes the federally registered copyright VA0002382152 associated with the Plaintiff's Copyrights and attached hereto).

In this case, PLAINTIFF has presented screenshot evidence that Defendant's e-commerce store on Amazon.com is reaching out to do business with Illinois residents by operating one or more commercial, interactive internet stores that display, without authorization, the Plaintiff's Copyrights through which Illinois residents can and do purchase knockoff Plaintiff's, Rotita Brand products. Docket 21-3 associated with the First Amended Complaint Exhibit 3 to the Complaint and attached hereto, which includes screenshot evidence and internet link confirming that Defendant's Internet store(s) displays the Plaintiff's Copyrights without authorization in offering knockoff Plaintiff's products and they stand ready, willing, and able to ship its knockoff goods to customers in Illinois. Accordingly, the Court finds that PLAINTIFF stands a likelihood of success on the merits of its copyright infringement, and state law deceptive trade practices claims for relief.

The Court additionally finds that issuance of the requested injunctive relief would be in the public interest by protecting consumers from being misled by the unauthorized display of the Plaintiff's Copyrights by Defendant on its Internet stores in enticing the purchase of knockoff Plaintiff's products that are of inferior quality. The Court also finds that it need not balance the interests of Defendant batelibags in this case because there is credible evidence to conclude they are engaged in, among other things, willful copyright infringement of the Plaintiff's Copyrights.

The Court also finds that issuing this Order without notice pursuant to Rule 65(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure is appropriate because PLAINTIFF has presented specific facts in the Declaration of Katherine M. Kuhn in support of the Motion and accompanying evidence clearly showing that immediate and irreparable injury, loss, or damage will result to the movant before the adverse party can be heard in opposition. Specifically, in the absence of an *ex parte* Order, Defendant could and likely would move any assets from accounts in financial institutions under this Court's jurisdiction to offshore accounts. Accordingly, this Court Orders as follows:

1. Defendant, its officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons acting for, with, by, through, under, or in active concert with them be temporarily enjoined and restrained from:

- a. Using or displaying the Plaintiff's Copyrights, in any medium, whether it be print, digital or otherwise, in connection with the distribution, marketing, advertising, offering for sale, or sale of any product that is not a genuine Plaintiff's product or is not authorized by PLAINTIFF to be sold in connection with the Plaintiff's Copyrights;
- b. passing off, inducing, or enabling others to sell or pass off any product as a genuine Plaintiff's product or any other product produced by PLAINTIFF through the use or display of the Plaintiff's Copyrights;
- c. committing any acts calculated to cause consumers to believe that Defendant's products are those sold under the authorization, control, or supervision of PLAINTIFF, or are sponsored by, approved by, or otherwise connected with PLAINTIFF;
- d. manufacturing, shipping, delivering, holding for sale, transferring or otherwise moving, storing, distributing, returning, or otherwise disposing of, in any manner, products or inventory not manufactured by or for PLAINTIFF, nor authorized by PLAINTIFF to be sold or offered for sale through the use or display of the Plaintiff's Copyrights; and
- e. Defendant shall not transfer or dispose of any money or other of Defendant's assets in any of Defendant's financial accounts.
- 2. PLAINTIFF is authorized to issue expedited written discovery to Defendant, pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 33, 34, 36, and 45 related to:
  - a. the identities and locations of Defendant, its officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and any persons acting in active concert or participation with them, including all known contact information and all associated e-mail addresses;
  - b. the nature of Defendant's operations and all associated sales, methods of payment for services, and financial information, including, without limitation, identifying

- information associated with the Online Marketplaces and Defendant's financial accounts, including Defendant's sales and listing history related to its respective Online Marketplaces; and
- agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and any persons acting in active concert or participation with them, including such accounts residing with or under the control of any banks, savings and loan associations, payment processors or other financial institutions, including, without limitation, Temu.com, PayPal Inc. ("PayPal"), Alipay, ContextLogic Inc. d/b/a Wish.com ("Wish.com"), Alibaba Group Holding Ltd. ("Alibaba"), Ant Financial Services Group ("Ant Financial"), Amazon Pay, or other merchant account providers, payment providers, third party processors, and credit card associations (e.g., MasterCard and VISA).
- d. The domain name registries for the Defendant Domain Names, including, but not limited to, VeriSign, Inc., Neustar, Inc., Afilias Limited, CentralNic, Nominet, and the Public Interest Registry, and the domain name registrars, including, but not limited to, GoDaddy Operating Company LLC, Name.com, PDR LTD. d/b/a/PublicDomainRegistry.com, Cloudflare Inc, Oracle Corp., Amazon Inc., Alibaba Group d/b/a Alibaba Cloud.com, Namesilo, LLC d/b/a privacuguardian.org, and Namecheap Inc., within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of this Order or prior to the expiration of this Order, whichever date shall occur first, shall disable the Defendant Domain Names and make them inactive and untransferable until further order by this Court.
- 3. Upon PLAINTIFF's request, any third party with actual notice of this Order who is providing services for the Defendant, or in connection with any of Defendant's Online Marketplaces, including, without limitation, any online marketplace platforms such as Temu, eBay Inc., AliExpress, Alibaba, Amazon.com Inc., Wish.com, and Dhgate (collectively the "Third

Party Providers"), shall, within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of such notice, provide to PLAINTIFF expedited discovery, limited to copies of documents and records in such person's or entity's possession or control sufficient to determine:

- a. the identities and locations of Defendant, its officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and any persons acting in active concert or participation with them, including all known contact information and all associated e-mail addresses;
- b. the nature of Defendant's operations and all associated sales, methods of payment for services, and financial information, including, without limitation, identifying information associated with the Online Marketplaces and Defendant's financial accounts, including Defendant's sales and listing history related to its respective Online Marketplaces; and
- c. any financial accounts owned or controlled by Defendant, including its officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and any persons acting in active concert or participation with them, including such accounts residing with or under the control of any banks, savings and loan associations, payment processors or other financial institutions, including, without limitation, PayPal, Alipay, Wish.com, Alibaba, Ant Financial, Amazon Pay, or other merchant account providers, payment providers, third party processors, credit card associations (e.g., MasterCard and VISA), including present balances on any accounts.
- 4. The domain name registries for the Defendant Domain Names, including, but not limited to, VeriSign, Inc., Neustar, Inc., Afilias Limited, CentralNic, Nominet, and the Public Interest Registry, and the domain name registrars, including, but not limited to, GoDaddy Operating Company LLC, Name.com, PDR LTD. d/b/a PublicDomainRegistry.com, Cloudflare Inc, Oracle Corp., Amazon Inc., Alibaba Group d/b/a Alibaba Cloud.com, Namesilo, LLC d/b/a privacuguardian.org, and Namecheap Inc., within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of this Order or prior to the expiration of this Order, whichever date shall occur first, shall disable the Defendant

- 5. Upon PLAINTIFF's request, those with notice of this Order, including the Third-Party Providers as defined in Paragraph 3, shall within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of such notice, disable and cease displaying any advertisements used by or associated with Defendant in connection with the sale of counterfeit and infringing goods using the Plaintiff's Copyrights.
- 6. Any Third-Party Providers, including PayPal, Alipay, Alibaba, Ant Financial, Wish.com, and Amazon Pay, shall, within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of this Order:
  - a. locate all accounts and funds connected to Defendant's seller aliases, including, but
    not limited to, any financial accounts connected to the information listed in
    Schedule A hereto, and any e-mail addresses provided for Defendant by third parties;
    and
  - b. restrain and enjoin any such accounts or funds from transferring or disposing of any money or other of Defendant's assets until further order by this Court.
- 7. PLAINTIFF may provide notice of the proceedings in this case to Defendant, including notice of the preliminary injunction hearing, service of process pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(f)(3), and any future motions, by electronically publishing a link to the Complaint, this Order, and other relevant documents on a website and by sending an e-mail to any e-mail addresses provided for Defendant by third parties. The Clerk of the Court is directed to issue a single original summons in the name of "batelibags" for Defendant. The combination of providing notice via electronic publication and e-mail, along with any notice that Defendant receives from payment processors, shall constitute notice reasonably calculated under all circumstances to apprise Defendant of the pendency of the action and afford them the opportunity to present its objections.
- 8. PLAINTIFF must provide notice to Defendant of any motion for preliminary injunction as required by Rule 65(a)(1).
- 9. Within seven (7) court days of entry of this Order, PLAINTIFF shall deposit with the Court \$5,000.00, either cash, cashier's check or surety bond, as security, which amount has, in the

absence of adversarial testing, been deemed adequate for the payment of such damages as any person may be entitled to recover as a result of a wrongful restraint hereunder.

10. Any Defendant that is subject to this Order may appear and move to dissolve or modify the Order as permitted by and in compliance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Northern District of Illinois Local Rules. Any third party impacted by this Order may move for appropriate relief.

This Temporary Restraining Order without notice is entered at 3:40 P.M. on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025 and shall remain in effect for fourteen (14) calendar days.

Sharon Johnson Coleman United States District Judge

## Rotita14-2021.[Group registration of published photographs.747 photographs. 2021-01-02 to 2021-12-31]

- Registration Number / Date <u>VA0002382152</u> / 2023-12-25
- Type of Work Visual Material
- Title

Rotita14-2021.[Group registration of published photographs. 747 photographs. 2021-01-02 to 2021-12-31]

- Application Title
  - o Rotita14-2021
- Date of Creation 2021
- Copyright Claimant
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- Authorship on Application
  - o HONGKONG쟊EYUZHEN쟕ECHNOLOGY잺O.,LIMITED, Domicile: Hong Kong; employer for hire; Citizenship: Hong Kong. Authorship: photographs.
- Description
  - o 747 photographs:
  - Electronic file (eService)
- Copyright Note

C.O. correspondence.

Regarding title information: Deposit contains complete list of titles that correspond to the individual photographs included in this group.

Regarding group registration: A group of published photographs may be registered on one application with one filing fee only under limited circumstances. ALL of the following are required: 1. All photographs (a) were created by the same author AND (b) are owned by the same copyright claimant AND (c) were published in the same calendar year AND 2. The group contains 750 photographs or less AND 3. A sequentially numbered list of photographs containing the title, file name and month of publication for each photograph included in the group must be uploaded along with other required application materials. The list must be submitted in an approved document format such as .XLS or .PDF. The file name for the numbered list must contain the title of the group and the Case Number assigned to the application.

Basis for Registration: Registration does not extend to any useful article depicted. Registration extends to deposited photographs only. 17 USC 101, 102(a), and 113.

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