

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

WUMEI LIN,

Plaintiff,

v.

HONG KONG FENGJIANG LIMITED

Defendant.

Case No. 1:25-cv-14452

Honorable Sunil R. Harjani

SEALED TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

Plaintiff Wumei Lin (“Plaintiff”) filed an *ex parte* Motion for Entry of a Temporary Restraining Order and Other Relief (the “Motion”) against the online Defendant HONG KONG FENGJIANG LIMITED e-commerce store (“Defendant”). This online Defendant’s e-commerce stores have been identified at least through its online marketplace accounts Wwmvrtp, JJVTLMU, and Tehfgns (“Online Marketplace Accounts”) identified in Exhibit 2 to Plaintiff’s First Amended Complaint [Dkt. Nos. 12-2 and 13-1]. After reviewing the Motion and the accompanying record, this Court GRANTS Plaintiff’s Motion, and for its reasoning states as follows:

Plaintiff is the owner of all rights, title, and interest in and to United States Copyright Registration VA0002441336 for a Group of Published Photographs, registration issued pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 202.4(i). (“Plaintiff’s Copyright Registration”). This registration was issued for a specific group of photographic images published from March 25, 2024, to November 19, 2024, as part of his 2024 Swimwear Collection. Plaintiff’s Copyright Registration contains a group of photographs titled swimwear 2024 0307.

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.

This Court finds, in the absence of adversarial presentation, it has personal jurisdiction over Defendant as Defendant directly targets its business activities toward consumers in the United States, including Illinois. Specifically, Plaintiff has provided evidence to conclude that Defendant has targeted sales to Illinois residents by setting up and operating fully interactive online e-commerce stores that target United States consumers using one or more seller aliases, offer shipping to the United States, including Illinois, and have sold competing products through the use of unauthorized and unlicensed reproductions of Plaintiff's federally registered Copyright Protected Images to residents of Illinois. [Dkt. No. 12-2 and 13-1]. In this case, Plaintiff has presented screenshot evidence that Defendant is operating one or more fully interactive commercial internet stores, reaching out to do business with Illinois residents, publicly displaying unlicensed and unauthorized reproductions of Plaintiff's Copyright-Protected Photos, and selling products competing with legitimate licensees, which Illinois residents are able to purchase. *Id.* Here, Plaintiff's counsel has presented evidence that they themselves have been able to purchase a competing product to their offices located in Illinois.

This Court also finds that issuing this Order without notice pursuant to Rule 65(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure is appropriate as Plaintiff has alleged specific facts through the Declarations of Joseph W. Droter and Wumei Lin in support of the Motion and supporting evidence which clearly show immediate and irreparable injury, loss, and damage will result to the Plaintiff 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 unidentifiable offshore accounts. Accordingly, this Court orders that:

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: Using the Plaintiff's Copyright Protected Images subject of Copyright Registration VA0002441336 for a Group of Published Photographs, registration issued pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 202.4(i). ("Plaintiff's Copyright Registration"). [Dkt. Nos. 12-1 and 13]; including any reproductions, counterfeit copies, or colorable imitations in any manner in connection with the distribution, supply, sharing, reproduction, manufacturing, mass production, drop shipping, marketing, advertising, making, offering for sale, or sale of any products that is not a genuine product of Plaintiff's or not authorized by Plaintiff to be sold in connection with the Plaintiff's Copyright-Protected Photos;

2. Defendant shall be temporarily restrained and enjoined from transferring or disposing of any money or other of Defendant's assets in the account associated with the domain names identified in Exhibit 2 of Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint [Dkt. 12-2] ("Defendant Online Marketplaces") and through the online marketplace accounts, until further ordered by this Court.

3. Upon Plaintiff's request, those with notice of this Order, including the Third-Party Providers; eBay, Inc., AliExpress, Alibaba, Amazon.com, Inc., Wish.com, TikTok Shop, Walmart, Temu, and Dhgate (collectively, the "Third Party Providers"), shall within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of such notice, disable and cease displaying any advertisements used by or associated with the unlicensed and unauthorized use of Plaintiff's Copyright-Protected Photos.

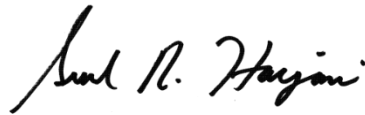
4. Any Third-Party Providers, including Temu, TikTok Shop, PayPal, Alipay, Alibaba, Ant Financial, Wish.com, and Amazon Pay, shall, within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of this Order:

- 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 Exhibit 2 attached to Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint [Dkt. Nos. 12-2 and 13-1], including any e-mail addresses provided for Defendant by third parties; and
 - b. restrain and enjoin any such accounts or funds from transferring, disposing, relocating, assigning, moving, or any other method of shifting any of the said money or any other asset or resource of this Defendant until further order by this Court, or until the expiration of this court Order, whichever occurs first.
5. Plaintiff may provide notice of the proceedings in this case to the Defendant, including notice of the preliminary injunction hearing and 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 with a link to said website to the e-mail addresses identified and provided for Defendant by third parties. The Clerk of the Court is directed to issue a single original summons in the name of "HONG KONG FENGJIANG LIMITED" that shall apply to 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 their objections.
6. Plaintiff must provide notice to Defendants of any motion for preliminary injunction as required by Rule 65(a)(1).
7. Plaintiff shall deposit with the Court Three Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$3,000.00) either cash 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 within five (5) calendar days of entry of this Order.

8. Defendant 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.

9. This Temporary Restraining Order without notice is entered at 11:00 a.m. on this 27th day of January 2026 and shall remain in effect for fourteen (14) calendar days. Any motion to extend this Order must be filed by February 3, 2026.



Honorable Judge Sunil R. Harjani
United States District Judge