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15	ICONFIND, INC.,	Case No. 2:11-cv-00319-GEB-JFM
16 17	Plaintiff,	ICONFIND, INC.'S ANSWER AND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES TO
	V.	GOOGLE INC.'S FIRST AMENDED COUNTERCLAIM FOR
18	GOOGLE INC.,	DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF NON- INFRINGEMENT OF THE '459 PATENT
19	Defendant.	INFRINGENIENT OF THE 439 FATEINT
20		JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
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23	Plaintiff IconFind, Inc. ("IconFind") here	by responds to the amended counterclaim Count
$\begin{bmatrix} 23 \\ 24 \end{bmatrix}$	One – Declaratory Judgment of Non-Infringement of the '459 Patent filed on March 24, 2011 by	
25	Defendant Google inc. ("Google"). Google's an	mended counterclaim Count Two – Declaratory
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1	Judgment of Invalidity of the '459 Patent and related Second Defense of patent invalidity are the	
2	subject of Plaintiff Iconfind, Inc.'s Motion To Dismiss Pursuant To Frep 12(B)(6) And Motion To	
3	Strike Pursuant To Frcp 12(F). Accordingly, IconFind has not answered the patent invalidity	
4	allegations in Google's amended counterclaim Count Two or Google's amended Second Defense	
5	IconFind reserves the right to answer the patent invalidity allegations in Google's amended	
6	counterclaim Count Two and Google's amended Second Defense pending the outcome of its	
7	motion to dismiss and strike.	
8	<u>COUNTERCLAIMS</u>	
9	THE PARTIES	
10	1. Google is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with its principal place of business at 1600 Amphitheatre Parkway, Mountain View	
11	California 94043.	
12	RESPONSE:	
13	Admitted.	
14	2. Upon information and belief, Plaintiff IconFind, Inc. is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of California with a principal place of business at 1660 Drew Circle #27	
15	Davis, California 95618.	
16	RESPONSE:	
17	Admitted.	
18	JURISDICTION AND VENUE	
19	3. Venue is proper in this judicial district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b) and by virtue of IconFind's admissions in the Complaint that venue is proper in this District.	
20	RESPONSE:	
21	Admitted.	
22	4. This Court has personal jurisdiction over IconFind.	
23	RESPONSE:	
24	Admitted that this Court has personal jurisdiction over IconFind and Google.	
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26	Iconfind, Inc.'s Answer And Affirmative Defenses To Google Inc.'s First Amended  Counterclaim For Declaratory Judgment Of Non-Infringement Of The '459 Patent	

1	5. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over these Counterclaims pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338.
2	RESPONSE:
3	Denied to the extent Google is entitled to any relief; otherwise admitted.
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5	COUNT ONE - Declaratory Judgment of Non-Infringement of the '459 Patent
6	6. Google restates and incorporates by reference its allegations in paragraphs 1-5 of its Answer and Counterclaims.
7	RESPONSE:
8	IconFind restates and incorporates by reference its responses to the allegations in paragraphs
9	1 - 5 of Google's Answer and Counterclaims, inclusive, as though fully set forth herein.
10	7. An actual case or controversy exists between Google and IconFind as to whether the '459 patent is infringed by Google.
11	RESPONSE:
12	Admitted.
13 14	8. A judicial declaration is necessary and appropriate so that Google may ascertain its rights regarding the '459 patent.
15	RESPONSE:
16	Admitted that Google purports to seek a judicial declaration so that it may ascertain its rights
17	regarding the '459 patent; denied to the extent Google is entitled to any relief; otherwise denied.
18	9. Google has not infringed and does not infringe, directly or indirectly, any valid and enforceable claim of the '459 patent.
19	RESPONSE:
20	Denied.
21	COUNT TWO - Declaratory Judgment of Invalidity of the '459 Patent
22	IconFind reserves the right to answer the allegations of Count Two pending the outcome of its
23	motion to dismiss and strike.
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## **EXCEPTIONAL CASE**

13. On information and belief, this is an exceptional case entitling Google to an award of its attorneys' fees incurred in connection with defending and prosecuting this action pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285, as a result of, inter alia, IconFind's assertion of the Patent-in-suit against Google with the knowledge that Google does not infringe any valid or enforceable claim of the Patent-in-suit and/or that the Patent-in-suit is invalid and/or unenforceable.

## **RESPONSE:**

Denied.

## PLAINTIFF'S AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

IconFind asserts the following Affirmative Defenses against Google's First Amended Counterclaim and reserves the right to further amend its responses pending the outcome of its motion to dismiss and strike and as additional information becomes available.

- 1. The claims of United States Patent No. 7,181,459 B2 are valid, enforceable and infringed by Google.
- 2. Google has infringed and continues to infringe at least claims 1, 6, 9, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 29, 30 and 31 of the '459 patent under 35 U.S.C. § 271(a) through Google's use, ownership and operation of websites in which it incorporates and facilitates Creative Commons licenses, including but not limited to Google Knol, Google Books and Google Picasa.
- 3. Google's amended counterclaim fail to state claims upon which relief may be granted.
- 4. IconFind is entitled to judgment as a matter of law on Google's amended counterclaim.
- 5. IconFind reserves the right to answer the patent invalidity allegations in Google's amended counterclaim Count Two and Google's amended Second Defense pending the outcome of its motion to dismiss and strike.
- IconFind adopts and incorporates herein all affirmative defenses available 6. pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 8 (or any applicable statute or regulation), to the Iconfind, Inc.'s Answer And Affirmative Defenses To Google Inc.'s First Amended - 4 -Counterclaim For Declaratory Judgment Of Non-Infringement Of The '459 Patent

1 extent the facts known at this time would make any of said defenses available or facts developed in the future would make same available. No affirmative defense is waived. 2 3 WHEREFORE, IconFind requests that judgment be entered against Google and in 4 IconFind's favor on the First Amended Counterclaims brought by Google. IconFind further 5 requests that it be granted all of the relief requested in its Complaint. JURY DEMAND 6 7 IconFind demands a trial by jury on all issues properly triable to a jury. 8 9 Respectfully submitted, 10 /s/ Anna B. Folgers WILKE, FLEURY, HOFFELT, GOULD & NIRO, HALLER & NIRO Raymond P. Niro (*Pro hac vice*) 11 BIRNEY, LLP Thomas G. Redmon (SBN 47090) RNiro@nshn.com TRedmon@wilkefleury.com Raymond P. Niro, Jr. (*Pro hac vice*) 12 Daniel L. Baxter (SBN 203862) RNiroJr@nshn.com 13 DBaxter@wilkefleury.com Brian E. Haan (*Pro hac vice*) BHaan@nshn.com 14 Attorneys for Plaintiff IconFind, Inc. Anna B. Folgers (*Pro hac vice*) AFolgers@nshn.com 15 Attorneys for Plaintiff IconFind, Inc. 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 Iconfind, Inc.'s Answer And Affirmative Defenses To Google Inc.'s First Amended - 5 -

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 1 2 The undersigned hereby certifies that on April 19, 2011 the foregoing ICONFIND, INC.'S ANSWER AND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES TO GOOGLE 3 INC.'S FIRST AMENDED COUNTERCLAIM FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT OF **NON-INFRINGEMENT OF THE '459 PATENT** 4 was filed with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will then send a notification 5 of such filing to the following counsel of record. 6 Michael J. Malecek 7 Michael.malecek@kayescholer.com Kenneth Maikish 8 Kenneth.maikish@kayescholer.com Kaye Scholer LLP 9 Two Palo Alto Square, Suite 400 3000 El Camino Real 10 Palo Alto, California 94306 Telephone: (650) 319-4500 11 Facsimile: (650) 319-4700 12 **Attorneys for Defendant Google Inc.** 13 I certify that all parties in this case are represented by counsel who are CM/ECF participants. 14 15 /s/ Anna B. Folgers Attorneys for Plaintiff 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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