TARGET'S EVIDENTIARY OBJECTIONS CASE NO. 06-01802 MHP la-868605

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1 Target Corporation ("Target") asserts the following objections to, and moves to strike, (1) 2 portions of the Expert Declaration of Dr. James W. Thatcher in Support of Plaintiff's Motion for 3 Preliminary Injunction (the "Opening Thatcher Declaration"); (2) portions of the Reply 4 Declaration of Dr. James W. Thatcher In Support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction 5 (the "Reply Thatcher Declaration"); (3) portions of the Reply Declaration of Bruce F. Sexton In 6 Support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction (the "Sexton Declaration"); (4) portions 7 of the Declaration of Yelena Trepetin (the "Trepetin Declaration"); and (5) selected deposition 8 testimony cited in plaintiffs' reply brief.

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Objections to Opening Thatcher Declaration

10 1. In paragraphs 41 through 46 of the Opening Thatcher Declaration, Dr. Thatcher 11 testifies that in 2005, it was impossible for blind Internet users to complete a transaction on 12 Target.com using only a keyboard. Target objects to and moves to strike this testimony because 13 (1) Dr. Thatcher lacks personal knowledge as to whether it was possible for blind Internet users to complete a transaction on Target's website using only a keyboard in July of 2005 (Fed. R. Evid. 14 602).¹ (2) Dr. Thatcher's opinion is not based upon "sufficient facts or data" (Fed. R. Evid. 702) 15 16 and (3) this testimony, which pertains only to the alleged condition of Target's website in July of 17 2005, is not relevant to whether an injunction should issue with respect to the condition of 18 Target's website now in 2006 (Fed. R. Evid. 401). 19 2. In paragraph 55 of the Opening Thatcher Declaration, Dr. Thatcher opines that a 20 blind user cannot "complete a purchase conveniently and confidently" on Target.com. Target

21 objects to and moves to strike this testimony because (1) Dr. Thatcher lacks personal knowledge

22 of whether it is possible for blind Internet users to "complete a purchase conveniently and

- 23 confidently" on Target.com (Fed. R. Evid. 602); (2) Dr. Thatcher's opinion is not based upon
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 ¹ As explained in Target's opposition to the motion for preliminary injunction, Dr. Thatcher admitted at his deposition that he only evaluated whether Target.com complied with his own chosen "combination" of website accessibility guidelines, and that he *did not evaluate whether non-compliance with his chosen guidelines rendered the website inaccessible*. (Thatcher Depo. at 100:21-101:7.) Dr. Thatcher therefore has no basis to opine on how difficult it might be for a blind person to access the goods and services on Target.com.

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"sufficient facts or data" (Fed. R. Evid. 702) and (3) the terms "convenient" and "confident" are
 vague and ambiguous and therefore will not assist the trier of fact (Fed. R. Evid. 702).

- 3 3. In paragraph 60 of the Opening Thatcher Declaration, Dr. Thatcher testifies that 4 "[it] is impossible before April 6, 2006 to complete a transaction relying on keyboard 5 interaction." Target objects to and moves to strike this testimony because Dr. Thatcher lacks 6 personal knowledge of (a) whether it was ever impossible for blind Internet users to complete a 7 transaction on Target.com, and (b) when it allegedly became possible for blind Internet users to 8 complete a transaction on Target.com. (Fed. R. Evid. 602.) Target also objects to and moves to 9 strike this testimony because Dr. Thatcher's opinion is not based upon "sufficient facts or data" 10 (Fed. R. Evid. 702). Finally, Target objects to and moves to strike this testimony because the 11 alleged past condition of Target.com is not relevant to whether an injunction should issue with 12 respect to the condition of Target's website now in 2006 (Fed. R. Evid. 401).
- In paragraph 60 of the Opening Thatcher Declaration, Dr. Thatcher testifies that
 "[a]s of April 12, 2006 the website of the Target Corporation is virtually unusable by a visitor
 who is blind." In paragraph 61, Thatcher testifies that if his website programming suggestions are
 implemented, "the site will be accessible by people with visual impairments." Target objects to
 and moves to strike this testimony because it is beyond Thatcher's personal knowledge. (Fed. R.
 Evid. 602.) Target also objects to and moves to strike because Dr. Thatcher's opinion is not
 based upon "sufficient facts or data" (Fed. R. Evid. 702).
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Objections to Reply Thatcher Declaration

21 1. In paragraph 3 of the Reply Thatcher Declaration, Thatcher testifies that "[i]n July 22 of 2005 it was impossible to complete a transaction using only the keyboard." Dr. Thatcher says 23 the same thing in paragraph 4. Target objects to and moves to strike this testimony because (1) 24 Dr. Thatcher lacks personal knowledge as to whether it was possible for blind Internet users to 25 complete a transaction on Target's website using only a keyboard in July of 2005 (Fed. R. Evid. 26 602); (2) Dr. Thatcher's opinion is not based upon "sufficient facts or data" (Fed. R. Evid. 702); 27 and (3) this testimony, which pertains only to the alleged condition of Target's website in July of 28 2005, is not relevant to whether an injunction should issue with respect to the condition of TARGET'S EVIDENTIARY OBJECTIONS 2 CASE NO. 06-01802 MHP la-868605

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1	Target's website new in 2006 (Eed P. Evid 401)						
1	Target's website now in 2006 (Fed. R. Evid. 401).						
2	2. In paragraph 3, Dr. Thatcher testifies:						
3	As I stated in my declaration, there was a change in the Target.com web site that I detected on April 6, 2006. After that change it seem to be						
4	<i>possible</i> that a blind person could complete a transaction although it is still highly unlikely. There have been more changes since April 6 and I think						
5	it is more likely that a blind user could complete a transaction. But I am comfortable in saying that it is highly unlikely that a blind customer could						
6	complete a transaction on Target.com in any reasonably amount of time and for any reason other than to prove it is possible.						
7	In paragraph 5, Dr. Thatcher testifies that it is "hardly practical" for blind customers to						
8	complete a transaction on Target.com.						
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10	In paragraph 6, Dr. Thatcher testifies that "[i]t may be possible to ignore hundreds of						
11	characters of meaningless jumble and with carefully planned searches and orchestrated JAWS						
12	'find' commands a blind person can find something to purchase and even complete that purchase						
13	— but it isn't easy and it is not accessible."						
14	In paragraph 7, Dr. Thatcher testifies it is "possible but very difficult" for blind customers						
15	to complete a transaction on Target.com.						
16	Target objects to and moves to strike all of this testimony because (1) Dr. Thatcher lacks						
 personal knowledge as to whether it is possible for blind Internet users to complete transact on Target.com, how long it would take blind Internet users to complete transactions on Target.com, how difficult it is for blind Internet users to complete transaction on Target.com 							
						20	the reasons blind Internet users complete transactions on Target.com (Fed. R. Evid. 602); (2)
							these opinions are not based upon "sufficient facts or data" (Fed. R. Evid. 702); and (3) the
21	testimony is vague and ambiguous with respect to the terms "reasonable amount of time,"						
22	"hardly practical," "easy," and "very difficult" and therefore will not assist the trier of fact (Fed.						
23	R. Evid. 702).						
24	3. In paragraph 5 of the Reply Thatcher Declaration, Dr. Thatcher suggests that it						
25	takes blind Internet users "one to two hours" to complete a transaction on Target.com, and the						
26	reason it takes one to two hours is that "Target.com is fundamentally inaccessible." Target						
27 objects to and moves to strike this testimony because Dr. Thatcher provides no foundation							
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testimony that it would take "one to two hours" for blind Internet users to complete transactions
 on Target.com and this opinion is thus not based upon "sufficient facts or data" or upon personal
 knowledge (Fed. R. Evid. 602 & 702).²

- In paragraph 5 of the Reply Thatcher Declaration, Dr. Thatcher testifies that "[i]f
 shopping on the Web routinely took 'one to two hours' internet retail stores would be out of
 business." Target objects to and moves to strike this testimony because (1) it is speculation (Fed.
 R. Evid. 602); (2) it is irrelevant because there is no evidence that it take "one to two hours" to
 complete a transaction on Target.com (Fed. R. Evid. 401); and (3) it is beyond the expertise of the
 witness (Fed. R. Evid. 702).
- 10 In paragraph 5 of the Reply Thatcher Declaration, Dr. Thatcher testifies it "is 5. 11 extremely difficult to navigate any page because Target has done nothing to facilitate that 12 navigation." Target objects to and moves to strike this testimony because Dr. Thatcher lacks 13 personal knowledge as to whether it is difficult for blind Internet users to "navigate" Target's 14 webpage (Fed. R. Evid. 602), and (2) the testimony is vague and ambiguous with respect to the 15 terms "difficult" and "navigate" and therefore will not assist the trier of fact (Fed. R. Evid. 702). 16 6. In paragraph 11 of the Reply Thatcher Declaration, Dr. Thatcher testifies that if 17 Target's website can be used by a blind customer "it is only possible" if the customer "has 18 remarkable persistence in trying to get from one page to another on the page." Target objects to 19 and moves to strike this testimony because Dr. Thatcher lacks personal knowledge of how 20 difficult it is for blind customers to use Target's website. (Fed. R. Evid. 602.) In addition, this
- 21 opinion is not based upon "sufficient facts or data" (Fed. R. Evid. 702).
- 7. In paragraphs 1, 2, 7, 8, and 10 of the Reply Thatcher Declaration, Dr. Thatcher
 repeats the same testimony offered in his Opening Declaration. Target thus objects to and moves
 to strike this redundant testimony as cumulative. (Fed. R. Evid. 403.)
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 ² To the extent Dr. Thatcher is referring to Suzanne Tritten's experience using
 Target.com, he is mischaracterizing Ms. Tritten's testimony. Ms. Tritten testified that she spent
 several hours exploring the various features on Target.com, not that she took hours to complete a transaction on Target.com. [27:13-28:10]

1	Objections to Sexton Declaration					
2	1. In paragraph 1 of the Sexton Declaration, Sexton testifies that "Target.com's 1-800					
3	number is not an adequate substitute for the independence offered by shopping on an internet site					
4	which is fully and equally accessible." In paragraph 8, Sexton testifies that "I believe that					
5	Target.com's 1-800 number is a vastly inferior substitute for full and equal access to Target.com."					
6	Target objects to and moves to strike this testimony because it constitutes a legal conclusion and					
7	is therefore improper opinion testimony offered by a lay witness (Fed. R. Evid. 701).					
8	2. In paragraph 6 of the Sexton Declaration, Sexton testifies that "I couldn't use					
9	Target.com like most other people would." Target objects to and moves to strike this testimony					
10	because Sexton lacks personal knowledge as to how "most other people" would use Target.com					
11	(Fed. R. Evid. 602). It is also improper opinion testimony offered by a lay witness (Fed. R. Evid.					
12	701).					
13	Objections to Trepetin Declaration					
14	1. In paragraph 13, Trepetin testifies that "coupons only seem to be available online."					
15	Target objects to and moves to strike this testimony because Trepetin lacks personal knowledge					
16	as to how and where Target Corporation makes coupons available for in-store redemption. (Fed.					
17	R. Evid. 602.)					
18	Objections to Selected Deposition Testimony Cited In Reply Brief					
19	1. Deposition of Charles Letourneau: 124:12-14, 128:19-129:19 (Reply Br. at 5:5),					
20	on the grounds that Mr. Letourneau lacks personal knowledge (Fed. R. Evid. 602) and the opinion					
21	testimony is not based on "sufficient facts or data" (Fed. R. Evid. 602).					
22	2. Deposition of Charles Letourneau: 112:19-113:7 (Reply Br. at 4:22), on the					
23	grounds that Mr. Letourneau lacks personal knowledge (Fed. R. Evid. 602) and the opinion					
24	testimony is not based on "sufficient facts or data" (Fed. R. Evid. 602).					
25	3. Deposition of Charles Letourneau: 20:11-17, 53:22-54:3 (Reply Br. at 4:23), on					
26	the grounds that Mr. Letourneau lacks personal knowledge (Fed. R. Evid. 602) and the opinion					
27	testimony is not based on "sufficient facts or data" (Fed. R. Evid. 602).					
28	4. Deposition of Charles Letourneau: 33:4-19, 57:2-58:5 (Reply Br. at 5:2) on the					
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1	grounds that Mr. Letourneau lacks personal knowledge (Fed. R. Evid. 602) and the opinion					
2	testimony is not based on "sufficient facts or data" (Fed. R. Evid. 602).					
3	5. Deposition of Charles Letourneau: 58:16-22 (Reply Br. at 5:3) on the grounds that					
4	Mr. Letourneau lacks personal knowledge (Fed. R. Evid. 602) and the opinion testimony is not					
5	based on "sufficient facts or data" (Fed. R. Evid. 602).					
6	6. Deposition of Suzanne Tritten: 46:18-25 (Reply Br. at 7:15) on the ground that					
7	Ms. Tritten lacks personal knowledge (Fed. R. Evid. 602).					
8	7. Deposition of Chris Polk: 94:1-10 (Reply Br. at 6:23 (per later-filed errata)) on the					
9	ground that Mr. Polk lacks personal knowledge and is offering improper opinion testimony (Fed.					
10	R. Evid. 602 & 701).					
11	8. Deposition of Gregg Bodnar: 95:16-23, 96:8-99:4, 106:15-107:23 (Reply Br. at					
12	10:2-8) on the ground that Mr. Bodnar lacks personal knowledge (Fed. R. Evid. 602).					
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