Apple Inc. v. Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd. et al

Exhibit C

Dockets.Justia.com

No. 2012-1105

NONCONFIDENTIAL VERSION

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT

APPLE INC.,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO., LTD., SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS AMERICA, INC., AND SAMSUNG TELECOMMUNICATIONS AMERICA, LLC,

Defendants-Appellees.

On Appeal from the United States District Court for the Northern District of California in Case No. 11-cv-01846-LHK, Judge Lucy H. Koh

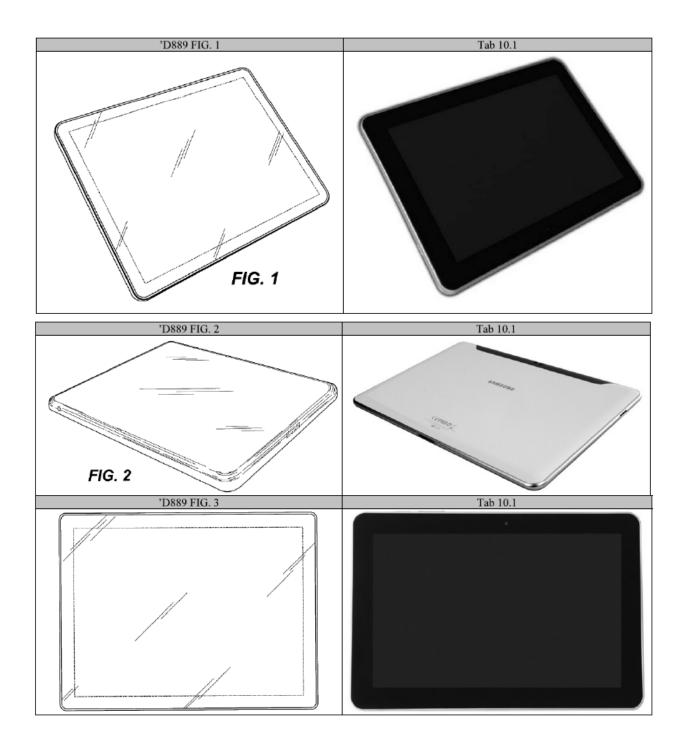
NONCONFIDENTIAL REPLY BRIEF OF APPELLANT APPLE INC.

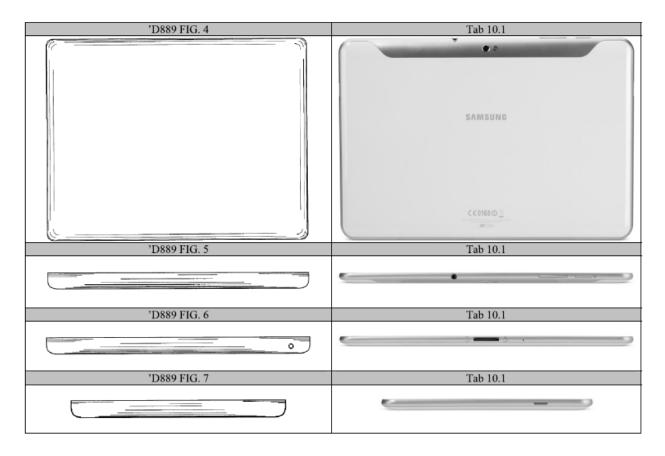
HAROLD J. MCELHINNY MICHAEL A. JACOBS GRANT L. KIM ALISON M. TUCHER RICHARD S.J. HUNG MORRISON & FOERSTER LLP 425 Market Street San Francisco, CA 94105-2482 Telephone: 415.268.7000 BRIAN R. MATSUI MORRISON & FOERSTER LLP 2000 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006-1888 Telephone: 202.887.8740

Counsel for Plaintiff-Appellant Apple Inc.

designs perform the same functions, including tablets that Samsung manufactured before it started copying Apple's design. (AOB2; A39, A7151-54, A5759-60, A5905-31, A7097-7100, A7125-40.)

Nor has Samsung shown clear error in the district court's finding of likely infringement. Samsung's infringement analysis repeats the error of its validity analysis: it compares piecemeal elements rather than whole designs to determine if they are substantially the same. *Int'l Seaway Trading Corp. v. Walgreens Corp.*, 589 F.3d 1233, 1240-41 (Fed. Cir. 2009) ("focus [is] on the *overall designs*"). Taken as a whole, an ordinary observer would conclude that Samsung's Tab 10.1 is substantially the same as the D'889 design. (AOB11-12, A1691-93, A1799-1807.)





(A1691-92, A1799-1803.)

Samsung now relies on purported differences that it never raised below including "noticeably more softly rounded corners" in the Tab 10.1 and a "gap between the flat front surface and the device's edge" in the D'889 design. (RB63 (citing A8626-42).) These supposed differences are based on comparisons to photographs submitted as an appendix to the PTO that were expressly excluded from the scope of the D'889 patent. The PTO does not accept photographs unless they "are the only practicable medium for illustrating the claimed invention." 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(b)(1); *see* MPEP § 1503.02 (prohibiting submission of drawings combined with photographs because it would "result in a high probability of inconsistencies between corresponding elements on the ink drawings as compared with the photographs"). Accordingly, the Examining Attorney "cancelled" the statement regarding an appendix to the D'889 application (A9243-44, A9280-82), and the D'889 claims are represented by the drawings alone.

Finally, Samsung's argument that "sophisticated consumer[s]" would not be confused (RB63) seeks to apply the inapposite trademark infringement test of "likelihood of confusion"; the correct question is whether an *ordinary observer* would consider the designs to be substantially the same. *Egyptian Goddess, Inc. v. Swisa, Inc.*, 543 F.3d 665, 678 (Fed. Cir. 2008) (en banc). In any event, Samsung's argument is belied by the fact that its own counsel—who is presumably "sophisticated" in her knowledge of Samsung's design—could not distinguish between a Tab 10.1 and an iPad 2 without consulting others. (A387-88, A399-401.) Her confusion was not surprising. The products are not only substantially the same, but "virtually indistinguishable." (A47.)

III. SAMSUNG'S SMARTPHONE AND TABLET SALES SHOULD BE ENJOINED UNDER THE '381 PATENT

A. The District Court Erred By Not Finding Likely Irreparable Harm

1. Apple's loss of market share and downstream sales constitutes irreparable harm

The district court correctly found that the '381 patent is likely valid and infringed, but again applied an incorrect irreparable harm standard, requiring that

Respectfully submitted,

Stien By:

HAROLD J. MCELHINNY *Counsel of Record* MICHAEL A. JACOBS GRANT L. KIM ALISON M. TUCHER RICHARD S.J. HUNG MORRISON & FOERSTER LLP 425 Market Street San Francisco, CA 94105-2482 Telephone: 415.268.7000

BRIAN R. MATSUI MORRISON & FOERSTER LLP 2000 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006-1888 Telephone: 202.887.8740

Counsel for Plaintiff-Appellant Apple Inc.