### CIVIL COVER SHEET

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#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS 44

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- 1. (a) Plaintiffs-Defendants. Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.
- (b) County of Residence. For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)
- (c) Attorneys. Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".
- II. Jurisdiction. The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.C.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.

United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here.

United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.

Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.

Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.)

- III. Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties. This section of the JS 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
- IV. Nature of Suit. Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If the nature of suit cannot be determined, be sure the cause of action, in Section VI below, is sufficient to enable the deputy clerk or the statistical clerks in the Administrative Office to determine the nature of suit. If the cause fits more than one nature of suit, select the most definitive.
- V. Origin. Place an "X" in one of the seven boxes.

Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.

Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441. When the petition for removal is granted, check this box.

Remanded from Appellate Court. (3) Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action. Use the date of remand as the filing date.

Reinstated or Reopened. (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filling date.

Transferred from Another District. (5) For cases transferred under Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1404(a). Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.

Multidistrict Litigation. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407. When this box is checked, do not check (5) above.

Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment. (7) Check this box for an appeal from a magistrate judge's decision.

- VI. Cause of Action. Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.

  Example:

  U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC 553

  Brief Description: Unauthorized reception of cable service
- VII. Requested in Complaint. Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P.

Demand. In this space enter the dollar amount (in thousands of dollars) being demanded or indicate other demand such as a preliminary injunction.

Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.

VIII. Related Cases. This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related pending cases if any. If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.

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# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

## CASE MANAGEMENT TRACK DESIGNATION FORM

CIVIL ACTION

K-Beech, Inc.

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#### Civil Justice Expense and Delay Reduction Plan Section 1:03 - Assignment to a Management Track

- (a) The clerk of court will assign cases to tracks (a) through (d) based on the initial pleading.
- (b) In all cases not appropriate for assignment by the clerk of court to tracks (a) through (d), the plaintiff shall submit to the clerk of court and serve with the complaint on all defendants a case management track designation form specifying that the plaintiff believes the case requires Standard Management or Special Management. In the event that a defendant does not agree with the plaintiff regarding said designation, that defendant shall, with its first appearance, submit to the clerk of court and serve on the plaintiff and all other parties, a case management track designation form specifying the track to which that defendant believes the case should be assigned.
- (c) The court may, on its own initiative or upon the request of any party, change the track assignment of any case at any time.
- (d) Nothing in this Plan is intended to abrogate or limit a judicial officer's authority in any case pending before that judicial officer, to direct pretrial and trial proceedings that are more stringent than those of the Plan and that are designed to accomplish cost and delay reduction.
- (e) Nothing in this Plan is intended to supersede Local Civil Rules 40.1 and 72.1, or the procedure for random assignment of Habeas Corpus and Social Security cases referred to magistrate judges of the court.

#### SPECIAL MANAGEMENT CASE ASSIGNMENTS (See §1.02 (e) Management Track Definitions of the Civil Justice Expense and Delay Reduction Plan)

Special Management cases will usually include that class of cases commonly referred to as "complex litigation" as that term has been used in the Manuals for Complex Litigation. The first manual was prepared in 1969 and the Manual for Complex Litigation Second, MCL 2d was prepared in 1985. This term is intended to include cases that present unusual problems and require extraordinary treatment. See §0.1 of the first manual. Cases may require special or intense management by the court due to one or more of the following factors: (1) large number of parties; (2) large number of claims or defenses; (3) complex factual issues; (4) large volume of evidence; (5) problems locating or preserving evidence; (6) extensive discovery; (7) exceptionally long time needed to prepare for disposition; (8) decision needed within an exceptionally short time; and (9) need to decide preliminary issues before final disposition. It may include two or more related cases. Complex litigation typically includes such cases as antitrust cases; cases involving a large number of parties or an unincorporated association of large membership; cases involving requests for injunctive relief affecting the operation of large business entities; patent cases; copyright and trademark cases; common disaster cases such as those arising from aircraft crashes or marine disasters; actions brought by individual stockholders; stockholder's derivative and stockholder's representative actions; class actions or potential class actions; and other civil (and criminal) cases involving unusual multiplicity or complexity of factual issues. See §0.22 of the first Manual for Complex Litigation and Manual for Complex Litigation Second, Chapter 33.

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	VS.	; ;	
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	Defendant.	:	
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	C	OMPLAINT	

Plaintiff, K-Beech, Inc., by and through its counsel, Fiore & Barber, LLC, sues John Doe, who was, at all relevant times, the subscriber of IP address 98.114.99.6 and alleges:

#### **Introduction**

- 1. This matter arises under the United States Copyright Act of 1976, as amended, 17 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq. (the "Copyright Act").
  - 2. Through this suit, Plaintiff allege Defendant is liable for:
  - Direct copyright infringement in violation of 17 U.S.C. §§ 106 and 501; and
  - Contributory copyright infringement.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

#### Jurisdiction And Venue

3. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 (federal question); and 28 U.S.C. § 1338 (patents, copyrights, trademarks and unfair competition).

- 4. The Defendant's acts of copyright infringement occurred using Internet Protocol address 98.114.99.6 ("IP address") traced to a physical address located within this District, and therefore this Court has personal jurisdiction over the Defendant because (a) Defendant committed the tortious conduct alleged in this Complaint in the Eastern District of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and (i) Defendant resides in Eastern District of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and/or (ii) has engaged in substantial and not isolated business activity in the Eastern District of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 5. Venue is proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b) and (c), because: (i) a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claims occurred in this District; and, (ii) the Defendant resides (and therefore can be found) in this District and resides in this State; additionally, venue is proper in this District pursuant 28 U.S.C. § 1400(a) (venue for copyright cases) because Defendant or Defendant's agent resides or may be found in this District.

#### **Parties**

- 6. Plaintiff, K-Beech, Inc., is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of California and has its principal place of business located at 9601 Mason Avenue, Unit B, Chatsworth, California.
  - 7. Defendant is known to Plaintiff only by IP address 98.114.99.6.
- 8. An IP address is a number that is assigned by an Internet Service Provider (an "ISP") to devices, such as computers, that are connected to the Internet.
- 9. The ISP to which Defendant subscribes, Verizon Internet Services, can correlate the Defendant's IP address to the Defendant's true identity.

#### Factual Background

- I. Plaintiff Own the Copyright to a Motion Picture
- 10. On or about April 22, 2011, Plaintiff, K-Beech, Inc. submitted an application for Copyright Registration (Service Request Number 1-599790162) for the motion picture titled "Virgins 4" (the "Work").
- 11. Copy of the applications for Copyright Registration evidencing, among other things, Plaintiff's ownership of the Work and application dates are attached as Exhibit A.
  - II. Defendant Used BitTorrent To Infringe Plaintiff's Copyright
- 12. BitTorrent is one of the most common peer-to-peer file sharing protocols (in other words, set of computer rules) used for distributing large amounts of data; indeed, it has been estimated that users using the BitTorrent protocol on the internet account for over a quarter of all internet traffic. The creators and user's of BitTorrent developed their own lexicon for use when talking about BitTorrent, which can be found on <a href="https://www.wikipedia.org">www.wikipedia.org</a>.
- 13. The BitTorrent protocol's popularity stems from its ability to distribute a large file without creating a heavy load on the source computer and network. In short, to reduce the load on the source computer, rather than downloading a file from a single source computer (one computer directly connected to another), the BitTorrent protocol allows users to join a "swarm" of host computers to download and upload from each other simultaneously (one computer connected to numerous computers).
  - A. Defendant Installed a BitTorrent Client onto his or her Computer
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- 15. A BitTorrent "Client" is a software program that implements the BitTorent protocol. There are numerous such software programs including µTorrent and Vuze, both of

which can be directly downloaded from the internet. <u>See www.utorrent.com</u> and http://new.vuze-downloads.com/.

- 16. Once installed on a computer, the BitTorrent "Client" serves as the user's interface during the process of uploading and downloading data using the BitTorrent protocol.
  - B. The Initial Seed, Torrent, Hash and Tracker
- 17. A BitTorrent user that wants to upload a new file, known as an "initial seeder," starts by creating a "torrent" descriptor file using the Client he or she installed onto his or her computer.
- 18. The Client takes the target computer file, the "initial seed," here the copyrighted Work, and divides it into groups of bits known as "pieces."
- 19. The Client then gives each one of the computer file's pieces, in this case, pieces of the copyrighted Work, a random and unique alphanumeric identifier known as a "<u>hash</u>" and records these hash identifiers in the torrent file.
- 20. When another peer later receives a particular piece, the hash identifier for that piece is compared to the hash identifier recorded in the torrent file for that piece to test that the piece is error-free. In this way, the hash identifier Work like an electronic fingerprint to identify the source and origin of the piece and that the piece is authentic and uncorrupted.
- 21. Torrent files also have an "announce" section, which specifies the <u>URL</u> (Uniform Resource Locator) of a "tracker," and an "info" section, containing (suggested) names for the files, their lengths, the piece length used, and the <u>hash identifier</u> for each piece, all of which are used by Clients on peer computers to verify the integrity of the data they receive.
- 22. The "tracker" is a computer or set of computers that a torrent file specifies and to which the torrent file provides peers with the URL address (es).

- 23. The tracker computer or computers direct a peer user's computer to other peer user's computers that have particular pieces of the file, here the copyrighted Work, on them and facilitates the exchange of data among the computers.
- 24. Depending on the BitTorrent Client, a tracker can either be a dedicated computer (centralized tracking) or each peer can act as a tracker (decentralized tracking).

#### C. Torrent Sites

- 25. "Torrent sites" are websites that index torrent files that are currently being made available for copying and distribution by people using the BitTorrent protocol. There are numerous torrent websites, including <a href="www.TorrentZap.com">www.TorrentZap.com</a>, <a href="www.Btscene.com">www.Btscene.com</a>, and <a href="www.ExtraTorrent.com">www.ExtraTorrent.com</a>.
- 26. Upon information and belief, Defendant went to a torrent site to upload and download Plaintiff's copyrighted Work.

#### D. Uploading and Downloading a Work Through a BitTorrent Swarm

- 27. Once the initial seeder has created a torrent and uploaded it onto one or more torrent sites then other peers begin to download and upload the computer file to which the torrent is linked (here the copyrighted Work) using the BitTorrent protocol and BitTorrent Client that the peers installed on their computers.
- 28. The BitTorrent protocol causes the initial seed's computer to send different pieces of the computer file, here the copyrighted Work, to the peers seeking to download the computer file.
- 29. Once a peer receives a piece of the computer file, here a piece of the Copyrighted Work, it starts transmitting that piece to the other peers.

- 30. In this way, all of the peers and seeders are working together in what is called a "swarm."
- 31. Here, Defendant participated in a swarm and directly interacted and communicated with other members of that swarm through digital handshakes, the passing along of computer instructions, uploading and downloading, and by other types of transmissions.
- 32. In this way, and by way of example only, one initial seeder can create a torrent that breaks a movie up into hundreds or thousands of pieces saved in the form of a computer file, like the Work here, upload the torrent onto a torrent site, and deliver a different piece of the copyrighted Work to each of the peers. The recipient peers then automatically begin delivering the piece they just received to the other peers in the same swarm.
- 33. Once a peer, here the Defendant, has downloaded the full file, the BitTorrent Client reassembles the pieces and the peer is able to view the movie. Also, once a peer has downloaded the full file, that peer becomes known as "an additional seed" because it continues to distribute the torrent file, here the copyrighted Work.
  - E. Plaintiff's Computer Investigators Identified the Defendant's IP Addresses as an Infringer in a Swarm That Was Distributing Plaintiff's Work
- 34. Plaintiff retained IPP, Limited ("IPP") to identify the IP addresses that are being used by those people that are using the BitTorrent protocol and the internet to reproduce, distribute, display or perform Plaintiff's copyrighted Work.
- 35. IPP used forensic software named INTERNATIONAL IPTRACKER v1.2.1 and related technology enabling the scanning of peer-to-peer netWork for the presence of infringing transactions.
- 36. IPP extracted the resulting data emanating from the investigation, reviewed the evidence logs, and isolated the transactions and the IP addresses associated therewith for the file

identified by the SHA-1 hash value of FB4FA00EBAA9E332B559C1BD36EB5197A96C6541 (the "Unique Hash Number").

- 37. The IP addresses, Unique Hash Number and hit dates show Defendant had copied a piece of Plaintiff's copyrighted Work identified by the Unique Hash Number, and was distributing it to other peers in a BitTorrent swarm on:
  - a. April 25, 2011 at 3:32 UTC.
- 38. Through the transaction(s), the Defendant's computer used its IP address to connect to the investigative server from a computer in this District in order to transmit a full copy, or a portion thereof, of a digital media file identified by the Unique Hash Numbers.
- 39. IPP's agent analyzed each BitTorrent "piece" distributed by Defendant verified that re-assemblage of the piece(s) using a BitTorrent Client results in a fully playable digital motion picture of the Work.
- 40. IPP's agent viewed the Work side-by-side with the digital media file that correlates to the Unique Hash Numbers and determined that they were identical, strikingly similar or substantially similar.

#### **Miscellaneous**

- 41. All conditions precedent to bringing this action have occurred or been waived.
- 42. Plaintiff has retained counsel and is obligated to pay said counsel a reasonable fee for its services.

# COUNT I <u>Direct Infringement Against Defendant.</u>

- 43. The allegations contained in paragraphs 1-42 are hereby re-alleged as if fully set forth herein.
  - 44. Plaintiff is the owner of the copyrighted Work which contains an original work of

authorship.

- 45. By using the BitTorrent protocol and a BitTorrent Client and the processes described above, Defendant copied one or more of the constituent elements of the copyrighted Work that are original.
  - 46. Plaintiff did not authorize, permit or consent to Defendant's copying of its Work.
  - 47. As a result of the foregoing, Defendant violated Plaintiff's exclusive right to:
  - (A) Reproduce the Work in copies, in violation of 17 U.S.C. §§ 106(1) and 501;
- (B) Redistribute copies of the Work to the public by sale or other transfer of ownership, or by rental, lease or lending, in violation of 17 U.S.C. §§ 106(3) and 501;
- (C) Perform the copyrighted Work, in violation of 17 U.S.C. §§ 106(4) and 501, by showing the Work's images in any sequence and/or by making the sounds accompanying the Work audible and transmitting said performance of the Work, by means of a device or process, to members of the public capable of receiving the display (as set forth in 17 U.S.C. § 101's definitions of "perform" and "publically" perform); and
- (D) Display the copyrighted Work, in violation of 17 U.S.C. §§ 106(5) and 501, by showing individual images of the Work nonsequentially and transmitting said display of the Work by means of a device or process to members of the public capable of receiving the display (as set forth in 17 U.S.C. § 101's definition of "publically" display).
- 48. Defendant's infringements were committed "willfully" within the meaning of 17 U.S.C. § 504(c)(2).
- 49. Plaintiff has suffered actual damages that were proximately caused by the Defendant's infringements, including lost sales, price erosion and a diminution of the value of its copyright.

#### WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully request that the Court:

- (A) Permanently enjoin Defendant and all other infringers who are in active concert or participation with Defendant from continuing to infringe Plaintiff's copyrighted Work;
- (B) Order that Defendant delete and permanently remove the torrent file relating to Plaintiff's copyrighted Work from each of the computers under Defendant's possession, custody or control;
- (C) Order that Defendant delete and permanently remove the copy of the Work Defendant has on the computers under Defendant's possession, custody or control;
- (D) Award Plaintiff either their actual damages and any additional profits of the Defendant pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504-(a)-(b); or statutory damages in the amount of \$150,000 pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504-(a) and (c);
- (E) Award Plaintiff their reasonable attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 505; and
  - (F) Grant Plaintiff any other and further relief this Court deems just and proper.

# COUNT II Contributory Infringement Against Defendant.

- 50. The allegations contained in paragraphs 1-42 are hereby re-alleged as if fully set forth herein.
- 51. Plaintiff is the owner of the Registration for the Work which contains an original work of authorship.
- 52. By using the BitTorrent protocol and a BitTorrent Client and the processes described above, Defendant copied the constituent elements of the copyrighted Work that are original.
  - 53. By participating in the BitTorrent swarm with other infringers, the Defendant

induced, caused or materially contributed to the infringing conduct of the other peer infringers in the swarm.

- 54. Plaintiff did not authorize, permit or consent to Defendant's inducing, causing or materially contributing to the infringing conduct of other peer infringers.
- 55. Defendant knew or should have known that other BitTorrent users, here other infringers would become members of a swarm with Defendant.
- 56. Defendant knew or should have known that other BitTorrent users in a swarm with it, here other infringers, were directly infringing Plaintiff's copyrighted Work by copying one or more of the constituent elements of the copyrighted Work that are original.
- 57. Indeed, Defendant directly participated in and therefore materially contributed to each other participants' infringing activities.
- 58. Defendant's contributory infringements were committed "willfully" within the meaning of 17 U.S.C. § 504(c)(2).
- 59. Plaintiff has suffered actual damages that were proximately caused by the Defendant and each of the peer infringers including lost sales, price erosion, and a diminution of the value of its copyright.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully request that the Court:

- (A) Permanently enjoin Defendant and all other infringers who are in active concert or participation with Defendant from continuing to infringe Plaintiff's copyrighted Work;
- (B) Order that Defendant delete and permanently remove the torrent file relating to Plaintiff's copyrighted Work from each of the computers under Defendant's possession, custody or control;
  - (C) Order that Defendant delete and permanently remove the copy of the Work

Defendant has on the computers under Defendant's possession, custody or control;

(D) Find that Defendant is jointly and severally liable for the direct infringement of

each other infringer that Defendant induced, caused or materially contributed to commit an

infringement;

(E) Award Plaintiff either their actual damages and any additional profits made by

Defendant pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504-(a)-(b); or statutory damages in the amount of \$150,000

pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504-(a) and (c);

(F) Award Plaintiff their reasonable attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to 17 U.S.C. §

505; and

(G) Grant Plaintiff any other and further relief this Court deems just and proper.

#### **DEMAND FOR A JURY TRIAL**

Plaintiff hereby demands a trial by jury on all issues so triable.

Respectfully submitted,

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