

JS 44 (Rev. 12/12)

CIVIL COVER SHEET

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS: DSS TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT, INC., (b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff: Smith County, (c) Attorneys: Christopher M. Joe, Buether Joe & Carpenter, LLC. DEFENDANTS: APPLE, INC., County of Residence of First Listed Defendant: Santa Clara County.

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION: 3 Federal Question, 4 Diversity. III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES: Citizen of This State, Citizen of Another State, Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country.

IV. NATURE OF SUIT: CONTRACT, REAL PROPERTY, TORTS, CIVIL RIGHTS, PRISONER PETITIONS, FORFEITURE/PENALTY, LABOR, IMMIGRATION, BANKRUPTCY, SOCIAL SECURITY, FEDERAL TAX SUITS, OTHER STATUTES.

V. ORIGIN: 1 Original Proceeding, 2 Removed from State Court, 3 Remanded from Appellate Court, 4 Reinstated or Reopened, 5 Transferred from Another District, 6 Multidistrict Litigation.

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION: Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing: 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a). Brief description of cause: Patent Infringement.

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT: CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P. DEMAND \$ CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint: JURY DEMAND: Yes No

VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY: (See instructions): JUDGE DOCKET NUMBER

DATE: 11/26/2013 SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD: /s/ Christopher M. Joe

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