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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT

tion, and SANDERS ASSOCIATES, INC., a corporation, Plaintiffs-Appellees, VS. ACTIVISION, INC., a corporation, Defendant-Appellant.

No. 86-852

SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION OF MARLA J. MILLER IN SUPPORT OF ACTIVISION, INC.'S BRIEF REGARDING MAGNAVOX' MOTION TO DISMISS APPEAL AND FOR SANCTIONS

I, Marla J. Miller, declare:

1. I am a member of the Bar of the State of California and of this Court, and an associate with the law firm of Howard, Rice, Nemerovski, Canady, Robertson & Falk, A Professional Corporation, attorneys of record for Defendant-Appellant Activision, Inc. ("Activision") in the above-referenced action. Except as otherwise

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indicated, I have personal knowledge of the matters set forth below, and if called upon to do so, I could and would testify competently to them.

- On March 13, 1986, the District Court entered a formal Judgment and Conclusions of Law. Attached hereto as Exhibits A and B, respectively, are true and correct copies of these documents.
- 3. On March 14, 1986, I spoke to Mr. Francis X. Gindhart, Clerk of this Court, and informed him of the District Court's action. Mr. Gindhart suggested that Activision file an Amended Notice of Appeal, which he would treat as part of the same appeal already docketed. Mr. Gindhart further suggested that Activision file a supplemental brief regarding the motion now pending to dismiss Activision's appeal in order to inform the Court of the District Court's entry of formal judgment. Attached hereto as Exhibit C is a true and correct copy of a letter I sent to Mr. Gindhart dated March 17, 1986 confirming our conversation.
- 4. On March 17, 1986, Activision filed an Amended Notice of Appeal in the United States District Court. Attached hereto as Exhibit D is a true and correct copy of that Amended Notice of Appeal.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at San Francisco, California on March

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

THE MAGNAVOX COMPANY, a corporation, and SANDERS ASSOCIATES, INC., a corporation,

CLERK, U. S. DIST. COURT

Plaintiffs,

v.

No. C-82-5270-CAL

ACTIVISION, INC., a corporation,

Defendant.

AND RELATED CROSS-ACTION.

JUDGMENT

The issues in this action, other than damages, having been tried before this court sitting without a jury, and the court having considered the evidence introduced by the parties, having heard the arguments presented on their behalf, having duly considered the issues and the authorities, and having entered its Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED:

- 1. The court has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of the action.
- 2. Plaintiff Sanders Associates, Inc. is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to United States Letters Patent Re. 28,507 entitled "Television Gaming Apparatus" asserted against the defendant in this action, and has been the owner thereof since the date of issuance.

EXHIBIT A

- 3. Plaintiff The Magnovox Company is the exclusive licensee, with the right to grant sublicenses, under Letters Patent Re. 28,507.
- 4. Plaintiffs have the right to sue for and collect damages for past infringement of Letters Patent Re. 28,507 and have possessed such right continuously since the issuance of Letters Patent Re. 28,507.
- 5. The defendant has not sustained its burden of proving that any of the asserted claims of Letters Patent Re. 28,507 are invalid.
- 6. The defendant has contributed to the infringement of, and has induced infringement of, the claims of Letters Patent Re. 28,507 stated in the following table by the manufacture and sale within the United States of the stated television game cartridges, and the defendant has directly infringed the stated claims of Letters Patent Re. 28,507 by the use and display of the stated television game cartridges:

Claima

Cartridges			_	Clair	<u>ns</u>		
Tennis	25,	26,	51,	52,	60,	61,	62
Ice Hockey	25,	26,	51,	52,	60,	61,	62
Boxing	25,	26,	51,	52,	60		
Fishing Derby	25,	26,	51,	52,	60,	61	
Stampede	25,	51,	60				
Pressure Cooker	25,	26,	51,	52,	60		
Grand Prix	60						
Barnstorming	60						
Sky Jinks	60						
Enduro	60						
Decathlon	60						

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- 7. The defendant did not willfully infringe the Letters Patent Re. 28,507 and proceeded at all relevant times in the good faith belief that its cartridges did not infringe the patent.
- 8. Plaintiffs Sanders Associates, Inc. and The Magnavox Company are entitled to recover from defendant the damages which they have sustained by reason of the manufacture, use and sale of infringing cartridges, the damages to be no less than a reasonable royalty.
- 9. The First and Third Counterclaims of the defendant against plaintiffs are dismissed with prejudice.
- 10. This judgment is final except for the accounting and award of damages.

Dated: March 13, 1986.

CHARLES A. LEGGE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The burden of establishing invalidity of a patent, or any claim thereof, rests on the party asserting invalidity, and the burden is never shifted to the patentee to prove validity. That is, 35 U.S.C. § 282 mandates not only a presumption placing the procedural burden of going forward, but also places the burden of persuasion on the party who asserts that the patent is invalid.
- 2. The statutory presumption of validity (35 U.S.C. § 282) places the burden on the party attacking validity to overcome the presumption by establishing appropriate facts with clear and convincing evidence.
- 3. A prior judicial holding affirming a patent's validity against attacks upon validity by infringers should be given weight in a subsequent suit again challenging validity.

EXHIBIT B

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- 4. The particular weight given a prior judicial holding affirming a patent's validity will vary depending on the prior art or other evidence on patentability not before the prior court that is produced in the subsequent suit.
- 5. The ultimate question of patent invalidity based on obviousness and the question of obviousness are, under 35 U.S.C. § 103, questions of law based on factual inquiries and factual evidence.
- 6. "Secondary considerations" of nonobviousness, may be the most pertinent, probative, and revealing evidence available to aid a court in reaching a conclusion on the obviousness-nonobviousness issue.
- 7. Recognition and acceptance of a patent by competitors who take licenses under it in order to avail themselves of the merits of the invention is evidence of nonobviousness.
- 8. It is not controlling in determining obviousness that all, or all but one or two, of the aspects of the claimed invention are well known in the art in a piecemeal manner; virtually every patent can be described as a "combination patent" or a combination of old elements.
- 9. The statutory provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 103 require that the invention as claimed be considered "as a whole" when considering whether the invention would have been obvious at the time the invention was made.
- 10. The mere fact that the disclosures of teachings of the prior art can be combined for purposes of determining

the obviousness-nonobviousness issue (35 U.S.C. § 103) does not make the combination of the teaching obvious, unless the art also suggests the desirability of the combination or the inventor's beneficial results from the combination or the advantage to be derived from combining the teachings.

- 11. The disclosure presented as constituting prior knowledge under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) should be sufficient to enable one skilled in the art, at the time the invention of the patent was made, to reduce the disclosed invention to practice.
- 12. A demonstration made in confidence, and not in a sales context, of a prototype device does not establish an offer to sell or the placing of the invention on sale under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).
- 13. A party asserting invalidity based on 35 U.S.C. § 112 bears no less a burden and no fewer responsibilities than any other patent challenger, and must show by clear and convincing evidence that the patent is invalid.
- 14. Defendant has failed to establish that the 28,507 patent, or any claim thereof, is invalid.
- 15. Whoever without authority makes, uses or sells any patented invention, within the United States during the term of the patent, infringes the patent. 35 U.S.C. § 271.
- 16. The issue of infringement raises at least two questions: (1) what is patented, and (2) whether what is patented has been made, used or sold by another. The first is

a question of law; the second is a question of fact to be proved by a preponderance of the evidence.

- 17. The claims of a patent, not the specification, measure the invention, and the patentee is not confined to a particular illustrative mode disclosed in the specification.
- 18. The claims of a patent are to be construed in the light of the specification, and both are to be read with a view to ascertaining the invention.
- 19. The fact that patent claims are interpreted in light of the specification does not mean that everything expressed in the specification must be read into the claims, and indeed that should not be done.
- 20. A patent specification must be sufficiently explicit and complete to enable one skilled in the art to practice the invention, while a claim defines that which the patentee regards as his invention.
- 21. When a patent claim expresses an element of the claimed combination as "means" for performing a specified function without the recital of structure, as authorized in 35 U.S.C. § 112 (sixth paragraph), a determination of the issue of infringement requires that the claim be construed to cover both the corresponding structure for that element set forth in the patent specification and equivalents thereof.
- of § 112, the sole question is whether the single means in the accused device which performs the function stated in the claim is the same as, or an equivalent of, the corresponding

structure described in the patentee's specification as performing that function. The word "equivalent" in § 112 must not be confused with the "doctrine of equivalents," which looks to the entirety of the accused device.

- 23. Despite the difference between the infringement analyses involving "equivalents" under § 112 and the "doctrine of equivalents," the latter may be relevant in any equivalents determination.
- 24. The subject matter described in a patent and the accused subject matter are equivalent for the purposes of determining infringement under the "doctrine of equivalents" if they perform substantially the same function, in substantially the same way, to obtain substantially the same result.
- 25. Infringement cannot be avoided by the fact that the accused device is more or less efficient than the subject matter claimed or disclosed, or performs additional functions, or adds features, or is an improvement.
- 26. What constitutes equivalency must be determined against the context of the patent and the particular circumstances of the case. Equivalence does not require complete identity for every purpose and in every respect.
- 27. A finding of equivalence is a determination of fact. Proof can be made in any form, including testimony of experts or others versed in the technology.
- 28. The use by the accused of an embellishment or embodiment made possible by technology developed, known or

appreciated <u>after</u> the invention claimed in a patent (that is, made possible by post-invention technology), or the use of a component that may be more sophisticated than that disclosed by the patentee, doe not allow one to escape an appropriate range of equivalents or to thereby avoid infringement of the claimed invention.

- 29. Whoever actively induces infringement of a patent is liable as an infringer. 35 U.S.C. § 271.
- 30. Whoever sells a component of a patented machine, manufacture, combination or composition constituting a material part of the invention, knowing the same to be especially made or especially adapted for use in an infringement of such patent, and not a staple article or commodity of commerce suitable for substantial noninfringing use, is liable as a contributory infringer. 35 U.S.C. § 271.
- 31. Each unlicensed use of defendant's television game cartridges (unpatented) in conjunction with a coacting console (unpatented) to complete the patented combination embraced by a valid combination claim of Patent Re. 28,507 is a direct infringement thereof in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).
- 32. The burden of proving the existence of an implied license rests upon the defendant in a patent infringement action.
 - 33. Defendant has not met that burden.
- 34. No implied license arises where the equipment involved has other noninfringing uses.

35. An implied patent license cannot arise out of the unilateral expectations, or even reasonable hopes, of one party; the infringer must have been lead to act by the conduct of the patent owner.

- 36. This court has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this action.
- 37. Judgment should be entered in favor of plaintiffs and against defendant on all issues, other than wilfulness, and except for the accounting and the determination of damages.

Dated: March 13, 1986.

CHARLES A. LEGGE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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March 17, 1986

FEDERAL EXPRESS

Mr. Francis X. Gindhart
Clerk
United States Court of Appeals
for the Federal Circuit
National Courts Building
717 Madison Place, N.W.
Washington, D.C 20439

Re: Magnavox v. Activision

No.: 86-852

Dear Mr. Gindhart:

This letter follows our telephone conversation on Friday, March 14, 1986, in which I informed you that the District Court has just entered a formal judgment and conclusions of law in the above entitled action.

As I explained to you on the telephone, Activision filed a Notice of Appeal pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1292(c)(2) on January 8, 1986 which appeal was docketed on January 24, 1986. As my previous letter to you of February 11, 1986, sets out, the parties learned for the first time on February 6, 1986 that the District Court intended to enter a formal judgment and conclusions of law. On March 13, 1986, we received a copy of a Judgment and Conclusions of Law entered on that day. Meanwhile, there is still pending a motion to dismiss Activision's January 8, 1986 notice of appeal as premature.

Fursuant to your advice as to the appropriate next steps to take to resolve the procedural situation, Activision has prepared for filing the enclosed Supplemental Brief

FEDERAL EXPRESS March 17, 1936 Mr. Francis X. Gindhart Page Two

Regarding Magnavox' Motion to Dismiss Appeal and for Sanctions. Enclosed are the original and four copies. (Please have a file-stamped copy returned to me in the enclosed self addressed envelope.)

Also pursuant to your advice, Activision has today filed an amended notice of appeal with the District Court to reflect the District Judge's entry of a formal judgment. Based on my conversation with you, I understand that upon your receipt of this Amended Notice of Appeal, you will treat it as a part of the already docketed appeal (86-352), and will not open a new docket number.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Theodore W. Anderson, Esq.
 Sally Bowcock,
 Clerk's Office,
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clusions of Law on March 13, 1986, finding Plaintiffs and Counterdefendants' United States patent Re. 28,507 invalid and infringed, which Judgment is final except for an accounting. Activision, Inc. hereby amends its Notice of Appeal to appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit pursuant to 23 U.S.C. Section 1292(c) from the Court's Judgment entered on March 13, 1986. 8

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DATED: March (7, 1986.

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

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AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL

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I, Cheryl Leger, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and was executed at San Francisco, California on March 17, 1986

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