

**U.S. District Court
Eastern District of TEXAS [LIVE] (Marshall)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 2:25-cv-00782-JRG**

Emerging Automotive LLC v. Toyota Motor North America, Inc. et al

Assigned to: District Judge Rodney Gilstrap

Related Case: [2:25-cv-00799-JRG](#)

Cause: 35:271 Patent Infringement

Date Filed: 08/12/2025

Jury Demand: Both

Nature of Suit: 830 Patent

Jurisdiction: Federal Question

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08/12/2025	1	COMPLAINT <i>for Patent Infringement</i> against Toyota Connected North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Corporation, Toyota Motor North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. (Filing fee \$ 405 receipt number ATXEDC-11019699.), filed by Emerging Automotive LLC. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A - '245 Patent, # 2 Exhibit B - '245 Chart, # 3 Exhibit C - '715 Patent, # 4 Exhibit D - '715 Chart, # 5 Exhibit E - '716 Patent, # 6 Exhibit F - '716 Chart, # 7 Civil Cover Sheet)(Fair, Andrea) (Entered: 08/12/2025)
08/12/2025	2	Fed. R. Civ. P. 7.1(a)(1) Disclosure Statement filed by Emerging Automotive LLC (Fair, Andrea) (Entered: 08/12/2025)
08/12/2025	3	DEMAND for Trial by Jury by Emerging Automotive LLC. (Fair, Andrea) (Entered: 08/12/2025)
08/12/2025		Case assigned to District Judge Rodney Gilstrap. (NKL) (Entered: 08/12/2025)
08/12/2025		In accordance with the provisions of 28 USC Section 636(c), you are hereby notified that a U.S. Magistrate Judge of this district court is available to conduct any or all proceedings in this case including a jury or non-jury trial and to order the entry of a final judgment. The form Consent to Proceed Before Magistrate Judge is available on our website. All signed consent forms, excluding pro se parties, should be filed electronically using the event <i>Notice Regarding Consent to Proceed Before Magistrate Judge</i> . (NKL) (Entered: 08/12/2025)
08/12/2025	4	Notice of Filing of Patent/Trademark Form (AO 120). AO 120 emailed to the Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. (Fair, Andrea) (Entered: 08/12/2025)
08/12/2025	5	SUMMONS Issued as to Toyota Connected North America, Inc. c/o The Corporation Trust Company Corporation Trust Center, Toyota Motor Corporation, Toyota Motor North America, Inc. c/o CT Corporation System, Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. c/o CT Corporation System. (Attachments: # 1 Additional Attachment(s), # 2 Additional Attachment(s), # 3 Additional Attachment(s))(NKL) (Entered: 08/12/2025)
08/19/2025	6	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Emerging Automotive LLC. Toyota Motor North America, Inc. served on 8/14/2025. (Fair, Andrea) (Entered: 08/19/2025)
08/19/2025	7	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Emerging Automotive LLC. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. served on 8/14/2025. (Fair, Andrea) (Entered: 08/19/2025)
08/19/2025	8	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Emerging Automotive LLC. Toyota Connected North America, Inc. served on 8/13/2025. (Fair, Andrea) (Entered: 08/19/2025)

08/21/2025	<u>9</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Marc Belloli on behalf of Emerging Automotive LLC (Belloli, Marc) (Entered: 08/21/2025)
08/21/2025	<u>10</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Margaret Elizabeth Day on behalf of Emerging Automotive LLC (Day, Margaret) (Entered: 08/21/2025)
08/21/2025	<u>11</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Jerry Tice, II on behalf of Emerging Automotive LLC (Tice, Jerry) (Entered: 08/21/2025)
08/21/2025	<u>12</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Aaron R Hand on behalf of Emerging Automotive LLC (Hand, Aaron) (Entered: 08/21/2025)
08/28/2025	<u>13</u>	UNOPPOSED MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer , <i>or Otherwise Respond to Plaintiff's Original Complaint</i> by Emerging Automotive LLC. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Order)(Belloli, Marc) (Entered: 08/28/2025)
08/29/2025	<u>14</u>	ORDER granting <u>13</u> Motion for Extension of Time for Defendants to Move, Answer, or Otherwise Respond to Plaintiffs Original Complaint. Answer to Complaint due 10/17/2025. Signed by District Judge Rodney Gilstrap on 08/29/2025. (BS) (Entered: 08/29/2025)
10/17/2025	<u>15</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by James R Barney on behalf of Toyota Connected North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Corporation, Toyota Motor North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. (Barney, James) (Entered: 10/17/2025)
10/17/2025	<u>16</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance - Pro Hac Vice by Aidan C Skoyles on behalf of Toyota Connected North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Corporation, Toyota Motor North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.. Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number ATXEDC-11152616. (Skoyles, Aidan) (Entered: 10/17/2025)
10/17/2025	<u>17</u>	ANSWER to <u>1</u> Complaint,, , COUNTERCLAIM against Emerging Automotive LLC by Toyota Connected North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., Toyota Motor North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Corporation.(Barney, James) (Entered: 10/17/2025)
10/17/2025	<u>18</u>	Fed. R. Civ. P. 7.1(a)(1) Disclosure Statement filed by Toyota Connected North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Corporation, Toyota Motor North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. identifying Corporate Parent Toyota Connected Corporation Japan for Toyota Connected North America, Inc.. (Barney, James) (Entered: 10/17/2025)
10/17/2025	<u>19</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Michael Craig Wilson on behalf of All Defendants (Wilson, Michael) (Entered: 10/17/2025)
10/17/2025	<u>20</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Jordan Christine Strauss on behalf of All Defendants (Strauss, Jordan) (Entered: 10/17/2025)
10/20/2025	<u>21</u>	NOTICE of Readiness for Scheduling Conference by Emerging Automotive LLC (Belloli, Marc) (Entered: 10/20/2025)
10/29/2025	<u>22</u>	CONSOLIDATION ORDER - The above-captioned cases are hereby ORDERED to be CONSOLIDATED for all pretrial issues with the LEAD CASE, Case No. 2:25-cv-00782. All parties are instructed to file any future filings in the LEAD CASE. Individual cases remain active for trial.. Signed by District Judge Rodney Gilstrap on 10/28/2025. (NKL) (Entered: 10/29/2025)
10/29/2025	<u>23</u>	ORDER - Scheduling/Case Management Conference set for 11/24/2025 at 09:30 AM before District Judge Rodney Gilstrap. Signed by District Judge Rodney Gilstrap on 10/28/2025. (NKL) (Entered: 10/29/2025)

11/04/2025	<u>24</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Deron R Dacus on behalf of Kia America, Inc., Kia Corporation (Dacus, Deron) (Entered: 11/04/2025)
11/07/2025	<u>25</u>	ANSWER to <u>17</u> Answer to Complaint,, Counterclaim, <i>Answer to Counterclaims of Toyota</i> by Emerging Automotive LLC.(Belloli, Marc) (Entered: 11/07/2025)
11/07/2025	<u>26</u>	ANSWER to Complaint <i>Answer to Counterclaims of Kia [D.I. 17 in 2:25-cv-00799-JRG]</i> by Emerging Automotive LLC.(Belloli, Marc) (Entered: 11/07/2025)
11/07/2025	<u>27</u>	JOINT MOTION for Extension of Time for Service of Infringement and Invalidity Contentions by Toyota Connected North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Corporation, Toyota Motor North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Order)(Barney, James) (Entered: 11/07/2025)
11/10/2025	<u>28</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Brenda Entzminger on behalf of Emerging Automotive LLC (Entzminger, Brenda) (Entered: 11/10/2025)
11/18/2025	<u>29</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Michael Charles Smith on behalf of Toyota Connected North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Corporation, Toyota Motor North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. (Smith, Michael) (Entered: 11/18/2025)
11/20/2025	<u>30</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Caroline Emilie Brown on behalf of Toyota Connected North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Corporation, Toyota Motor North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. (Brown, Caroline) (Entered: 11/20/2025)
11/24/2025	<u>31</u>	Minute Entry for proceedings held before District Judge Rodney Gilstrap (Lead 2:25-cv-782 and Member 2:25-cv-799): Scheduling Conference/Case Management Conference held on 11/24/2025 from 09:39 AM - 10:49 AM. Counsel for the parties appeared. Court: (1) asked whether the parties consented to trial before the U.S. Magistrate Judge; and (2) provided Claim Construction and Jury Selection/Trial dates. (Court Reporter - Shawn McRoberts) (Text entry only; no document attached.) (aeb) (Entered: 11/25/2025)
12/02/2025	<u>32</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance - Pro Hac Vice by Jason Lee Romrell on behalf of Toyota Connected North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Corporation, Toyota Motor North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.. Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number ATXEDC-11236336. (Romrell, Jason) (Entered: 12/02/2025)
12/03/2025	<u>33</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Hillary Noelle Bunsow on behalf of Emerging Automotive LLC (Bunsow, Hillary) (Entered: 12/03/2025)
12/08/2025	<u>34</u>	JOINT MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Discovery Order</i> by Emerging Automotive LLC. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Order)(Bunsow, Hillary) (Entered: 12/08/2025)
12/10/2025	<u>35</u>	ORDER granting <u>34</u> Motion for Extension of Time to File Discovery Order. Signed by District Judge Rodney Gilstrap on 12/10/2025. (NKL) (Entered: 12/10/2025)
12/10/2025	<u>36</u>	DOCKET CONTROL ORDER - Pretrial Conference set for 6/7/2027 at 09:00 AM before District Judge Rodney Gilstrap. Jury Selection set for 7/12/2027 at 09:00AM before District Judge Rodney Gilstrap. Markman/Claim Construction Hearing set for 1/19/2027 at 09:00 AM before District Judge Rodney Gilstrap.. Signed by District Judge Rodney Gilstrap on 12/10/2025. (NKL) (Entered: 12/10/2025)
12/10/2025	<u>37</u>	ORDER granting <u>27</u> Motion for Extension of Time for Service of Infringement and Invalidity Contentions. Signed by District Judge Rodney Gilstrap on 12/10/2025. (NKL) (Entered: 12/10/2025)
12/15/2025	<u>38</u>	JOINT MOTION For Entry of Agreed Discovery Order by Emerging Automotive LLC. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Proposed Discovery Order)(Bunsow, Hillary) (Entered: 12/15/2025)

12/15/2025	39	JOINT MOTION for Protective Order by Emerging Automotive LLC. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Protective Order)(Bunsow, Hillary) (Entered: 12/15/2025)
12/17/2025	40	DISCOVERY ORDER re 38 Motion For Entry of Agreed Discovery Order. Signed by District Judge Rodney Gilstrap on 12/16/2025. (NKL) (Entered: 12/17/2025)
12/17/2025	41	PROTECTIVE ORDER (Motion(s) 39 terminated). Signed by District Judge Rodney Gilstrap on 12/16/2025. (NKL) (Entered: 12/17/2025)
12/18/2025	42	NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE by Toyota Connected North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Corporation, Toyota Motor North America, Inc., Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. <i>regarding Initial and Additional Disclosures</i> (Barney, James) (Entered: 12/18/2025)

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