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Source: U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Tennessee (Knoxville)

Court: U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Tennessee (Knoxville)
Case Title: MasterCraft Boat Company, LLC v. Malibu Boats, LLC
Case: 3:22-CV-00098
Judge: District Judge Charles E Atchley Jr.
Date Filed: 03/15/2022
Date Closed/Terminated: 09/07/2022
Case Status: CLOSED, AO120, CEA3, ISSUE_JOINED

SYNOPSIS INFORMATION

Allegations: Defendant infringed plaintiff's registered patent by making, using, selling, and offering for sale within the United States, which caused damages tot he plaintiff. Patent no. 11,091,230.

Damages: Compensatory damages, Declaration, Interest, Costs, and Fees.

COMPLAINT (MANUALLY RETRIEVED)

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CASE INFORMATION

Case Number: 3:22CV00098
Referred To: Magistrate Judge Debra C Poplin
Jury Demand: Both
Nature of Suit: Intellectual Property Rights: Patent (830)
Key Nature of Suit: Intellectual Property; Patent (260.10)
Jurisdiction: Federal Question
Cause: 35 USC 271 Patent Infringement

PATENT INFORMATION

U.S. Pat. No. 11091230 Aft-facing transom seating for a boat

Patent Number: U.S. Pat. No. 11091230
Application Number: 16/570,574
Title: Aft-facing transom seating for a boat
Abstract: A boat including one or more seats, which may be aft-facing. The seat includes a seat bottom, which may be movable between a first position and a second position. The second position is a position in which the seat bottom is pivoted upwardly relative to the position of the seat bottom in the first position to allow access to a hidden compartment. The seat may also include a leg rest. The leg rest may extend aft of the transom, and may extend in a direction that is at a downward angle relative to the seat bottom. The leg rest may also have a length such that a gap is present between the leg rest and a surface beneath the leg rest.
U.S. Class: 1/1
Intl. Class: B63B 29/04 (20060101); B63B 3/54 (20060101); B63B 32/70 (20200101)
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CALENDAR INFORMATION

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DOCKET PROCEEDINGS (41)

Entry #:	Date:	Description:	
35	09/07/2022	STIPULATION of Dismissal of Case With Prejudice by MasterCraft Boat Company, LLC. (Sanders, James) (Entered: 09/07/2022)	View Add to request
34	08/04/2022	REPLY to Response to Motion re 30 MOTION to Consolidate Cases filed by Malibu Boats, LLC. (Googe, Matthew) (Entered: 08/04/2022)	View Add to request
33	07/28/2022	RESPONSE in Opposition re 30 MOTION to Consolidate Cases filed by MasterCraft Boat Company, LLC. (Attachments: # 1 Other Declaration of Edmund J. Haughey in Support of MasterCraft Boat Company LLC's Opposition to Malibu Boats, LLC's Motion to Consolidate, # 2 Exhibit 1 to Declaration - 2022 Malibu Boats Wakesetter 25 LSV for sale, # 3 Exhibit 2 to Declaration - 2022 Malibu Boats M-Series M240 for sale, # 4 Exhibit 3 to Declaration - '230 Patent Cited References, # 5 Exhibit 4 to Declaration - '746, '045, and '205 Patent Cited References)(Sanders, James) (Entered: 07/28/2022)	View Add to request
32	07/21/2022	ORDER re 26 Order,, Set Hearings, In light of the pending Motion to Consolidate Cases [Doc. 30], and the parties indication that the motion will be opposed [Doc. 31], the telephonic scheduling	Send Runner to Court

		conference in this matter is hereby CANCELED. The Court will reschedule this conference following a decision on the Motion to Consolidate. [Doc. 30]. This entry is the complete Order of the Court. No document is attached. Signed by District Judge Charles E Atchley, Jr on 7/21/22. (EES) (Entered: 07/21/2022)		
31	07/18/2022	REPORT of Rule 26(f) Planning Meeting. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A - Proposed Addendum to Scheduling Order)(Sanders, James) (Entered: 07/18/2022)	View	Add to request
30	07/14/2022	MOTION to Consolidate Cases by Malibu Boats, LLC. (Attachments: # 1 Declaration of Matthew M. Googe in Support of Motion to Consolidate, # 2 Exhibit 1, # 3 Exhibit 2)(Googe, Matthew) (Entered: 07/14/2022)	View	Add to request
29	07/08/2022	ORDER granting 19 Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. You MUST register as an E-Filer here: https://pacer.psc.uscourts.gov/pscof/regWizard.jsf. Signed by Magistrate Judge Debra C. Poplin on 7/8/2022. (This entry constitutes the complete Order of the Court.) (AGA) Modified on 7/8/2022 to indicate c/m to Allison E Elkman, Cooley LLP - Washington, 1299 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20004-2400 (ABF). (Entered: 07/08/2022)	Send Runner to Court	
28	07/07/2022	NOTICE by Malibu Boats, LLC re 21 NOTICE of Deficiency (Pro Hac), Certificate of Good Standing for Allison E. Elkman (Googe, Matthew) (Entered: 07/07/2022)	View	Add to request
	07/07/2022	Clerk's Verification of PHV Requirements is complete regarding 19 MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Allison E. Elkman (AYB) (Entered: 07/07/2022)	Send Runner to Court	
27	07/05/2022	NOTICE OF NONCONSENT by MasterCraft Boat Company, LLC (Sanders, James) (Entered: 07/05/2022)	View	Add to request
26	06/16/2022	ORDER: Scheduling Conference set for 7/25/2022	View	Add to request

		02:30 PM in Judge's Chambers (Telephonic Hearing) before District Judge Charles E Atchley Jr. Signed by District Judge Charles E Atchley, Jr on 6/16/22. (KFB) Modified on 6/16/2022 (KFB). Serviced via US Mail to Allison Elkman-Cooley LLP-Washington/1299 Pennsylvania Ave NW/Suite 700/Washington DC 2004-2400. Eamonn Gardner Cooley LLP (CO) 1144 15th Street Suite 2300 Denver, CO 80202 (Entered: 06/16/2022)	
	06/15/2022	Robinson IP Law, PLLC contacted the Clerk's Office on this day to inform the Court that the Certificate of Good Standing from a District Court for Attorney Allison E. Elkman would be forwarded to the Clerk's Office as soon as it is received from the District Court. (ABF) (Entered: 06/15/2022)	Send Runner to Court
25	06/08/2022	ORDER: The parties are ordered to confer and return the attached form within the time provided. Signed by District Judge Charles E Atchley, Jr on 6/8/22. (Attachments: # 1 Other Notice of Consent/Non-Consent) (ABF) (Entered: 06/08/2022)	View Add to request
24	06/08/2022	ANSWER to 1 Complaint, by Malibu Boats, LLC.(Googe, Matthew) (Entered: 06/08/2022)	View Add to request
23	06/07/2022	ORDER granting 17 Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. You MUST register as an E-Filer here: https://pacer.psc.uscourts.gov/pscof/regWizard.jsf ; granting 18 Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. You MUST register as an E-Filer here: https://pacer.psc.uscourts.gov/pscof/regWizard.jsf . Signed by Magistrate Judge Debra C. Poplin on 6/7/2022. (This entry constitutes the complete Order of the Court.) (AGA) Modified on 6/8/2022 to indicate c/m to Eamonn Gardner and Stephen R Smith (ABF). (Entered: 06/07/2022)	Send Runner to Court
22	06/07/2022	NOTICE by Malibu Boats, LLC re 20 NOTICE of Deficiency (Pro Hac), Certificate of Good	View Add to request

	06/07/2022	Standing for Stephen R. Smith (Googe, Matthew) (Entered: 06/07/2022) Clerk's Verification of PHV Requirements is complete regarding document: (18 in 3:22-cv-00099-TAV-JEM) MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Stephen R. Smith (Filing fee \$ 90 receipt number ATNEDC-5073205.) filed by Malibu Boats, LLC, (18 in 3:22-cv-00098-CEA-DCP) MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Stephen R. Smith (Filing fee \$ 90 receipt number ATNEDC-5073197.) filed by Malibu Boats, LLC (JBR) (Entered: 06/07/2022)	Send Runner to Court
21	05/31/2022	NOTICE of Deficiency (Pro Hac) (19 in 3:22-cv-00099-TAV-JEM) MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Allison E. Elkman (Filing fee \$ 90 receipt number ATNEDC-5073206.), (19 in 3:22-cv-00098-CEA-DCP) MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Allison E. Elkman (Filing fee \$ 90 receipt number ATNEDC-5073199.) : A certificate of good standing from another district court must be submitted. (c/m to Allison Elkman) (ABF) (Entered: 05/31/2022)	View Add to request
20	05/31/2022	NOTICE of Deficiency (Pro Hac) (18 in 3:22-cv-00099-TAV-JEM) MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Stephen R. Smith (Filing fee \$ 90 receipt number ATNEDC-5073205.), (18 in 3:22-cv-00098-CEA-DCP) MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Stephen R. Smith (Filing fee \$ 90 receipt number ATNEDC-5073197.) : A certificate of good standing from another district court must be submitted. (c/m to Stephen R. Smith) (ABF) (Entered: 05/31/2022)	View Add to request
	05/31/2022	Clerk's Verification of PHV Requirements is complete regarding document: 17 MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Eamonn Gardner (Filing fee \$ 90 receipt number ATNEDC-5073195.)	Send Runner to Court

19	05/27/2022	filed by Malibu Boats, LLC (ABF) (Entered: 05/31/2022) MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Allison E. Elkman (Filing fee \$ 90 receipt number ATNEDC-5073199.) by Malibu Boats, LLC. (Attachments: # 1 Other Certificate of Good Standing) (Googe, Matthew) (Entered: 05/27/2022)	View	Add to request
18	05/27/2022	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Stephen R. Smith (Filing fee \$ 90 receipt number ATNEDC-5073197.) by Malibu Boats, LLC. (Attachments: # 1 Other Certificate of Good Standing) (Googe, Matthew) (Entered: 05/27/2022)	View	Add to request
17	05/27/2022	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Eamonn Gardner (Filing fee \$ 90 receipt number ATNEDC-5073195.) by Malibu Boats, LLC. (Attachments: # 1 Other Certificate of Good Standing) (Googe, Matthew) (Entered: 05/27/2022)	View	Add to request
16	05/27/2022	NOTICE of Appearance by Matthew M Googe on behalf of Malibu Boats, LLC (Googe, Matthew) (Entered: 05/27/2022)	View	Add to request
15	05/17/2022	STIPULATION of Extension of Deadline by MasterCraft Boat Company, LLC. (Sanders, James) (Entered: 05/17/2022)	View	Add to request
14	04/27/2022	AFFIDAVIT of Service for Summons, Complaint, Civil Cover Sheet, Exhibit 1, Disclosure Statement, Form AO 120, Order Governing Depositions, Order Governing Motions to Dismiss, Mem and Order Regarding Sealing Confidential Information served on Malibu Boats on April 27, 2022, filed by MasterCraft Boat Company, LLC. (Sanders, James) (Entered: 04/27/2022)	View	Add to request
13	03/18/2022	ORDER granting 11 Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. You MUST register as an E-Filer here: https://pacer.psc.uscourts.gov/pscof/regWizard.jsf ; granting 12 Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. You MUST	Send Runner to Court	

		register as an E-Filer here: https://pacer.psc.uscourts.gov/ pscof/regWizard.jsf. Signed by Magistrate Judge Debra C. Poplin on 3/18/2022. (This entry constitutes the complete Order of the Court). (AGA) (Entered: 03/18/2022)	
	03/17/2022	Clerk's Verification of PHV Requirements is complete regarding document: 12 MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Andrew J. Kutas (Filing fee \$ 90 receipt number ATNEDC-5007724.) filed by MasterCraft Boat Company, LLC, 11 MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Edmund J. Haughey (Filing fee \$ 90 receipt number ATNEDC-5007720.) filed by MasterCraft Boat Company, LLC (ABF) (Entered: 03/17/2022)	Send Runner to Court
12	03/16/2022	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Andrew J. Kutas (Filing fee \$ 90 receipt number ATNEDC-5007724.) by MasterCraft Boat Company, LLC. (Attachments: # 1 Certificate of Good Standing) (Kutas, Andrew) (Entered: 03/16/2022)	View Add to request
11	03/16/2022	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice of Edmund J. Haughey (Filing fee \$ 90 receipt number ATNEDC-5007720.) by MasterCraft Boat Company, LLC. (Attachments: # 1 Certificate of Good Standing) (Haughey, Edmund) (Entered: 03/16/2022)	View Add to request
10	03/15/2022	PATENT AND TRADEMARK NOTICE in compliance with 35 USC 290 and/or 15 USC 1116 regarding US11091230. (Sanders, James) (Entered: 03/15/2022)	View Add to request
9	03/15/2022	Order Governing Sealing Confidential Information Signed by District Judge Charles E Atchley, Jr on 3/15/2022. (JCK) (Entered: 03/15/2022)	View Add to request
8	03/15/2022	Order Governing Motions To Dismiss Signed by District Judge Charles E Atchley, Jr on 3/15/2022. (JCK) (Entered: 03/15/2022)	View Add to request

7	03/15/2022	Order Governing Depositions Signed by District Judge Charles E Atchley, Jr on 3/15/2022. (JCK) (Entered: 03/15/2022)	View	Add to request
6	03/15/2022	Administrative Notice to Counsel re AO120 Patent Notice. Please refile the Patent notice seperately usind the event Patent and Trademark Notice found under the category Other Documents. Requirements due by 3/21/2022. (JCK) (Entered: 03/15/2022)	View	Add to request
5	03/15/2022	NOTICE of Deficiency (Pro Hac) Attorneys Andrew Kutas and Edmund Haughey are not admitted (See LR 83.5). This matter will be referred to a magistrate judge if a pro hac motion is not filed within 15 days of this Notice. A form motion can be found here: https://www.tned.uscourts.gov/forms/motion-admission-pro-hac-vic (JCK) (Entered: 03/15/2022)	View	Add to request
4	03/15/2022	NOTICE of Deficiency (PDF) re 1 Summons, (JCK) (Entered: 03/15/2022)	View	Add to request
3	03/15/2022	Summons Issued as to Malibu Boats, LLC. (JCK) (Entered: 03/15/2022)	View	Add to request
2	03/15/2022	Certificate of Corporate Interest by MasterCraft Boat Company, LLC. (Sanders, James) (Entered: 03/15/2022)	View	Add to request
1	03/15/2022	COMPLAINT for Patent Infringement against MasterCraft Boat Company, LLC (Filing fee \$ 402 receipt number ATNEDC-5005240.), filed by MasterCraft Boat Company, LLC. (Attachments: # 1 Other Civil Cover Sheet, # 2 Exhibit Exhibit 1 - US11091230, # 3 Other AO 120, # 4 Summons Summons)(Sanders, James) (Attachment 4 replaced on 3/15/2022) (JCK). (Entered: 03/15/2022)	View	Add to request
	03/15/2022	District Judge Charles E Atchley, Jr and Magistrate Judge Debra C Poplin added. (JCK) (Entered: 03/15/2022)	Send Runner to Court	

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