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15	Plaintiff,			NDED COMPLAINT FOR ORY JUDGMENT
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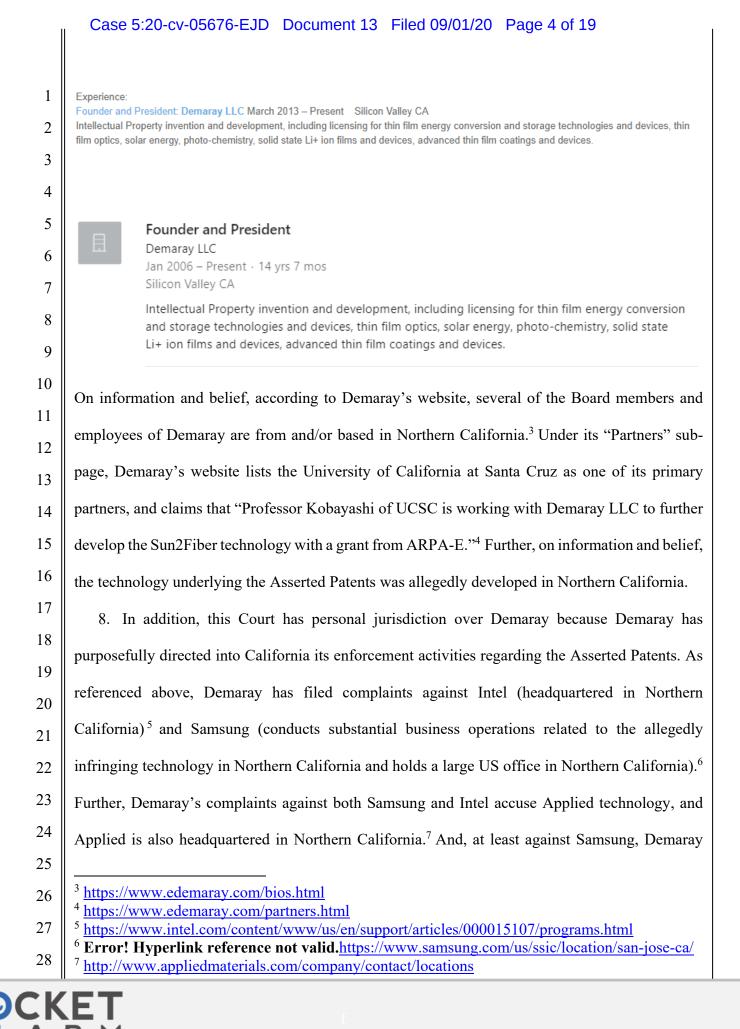
NATURE OF THE ACTION

1. This is an action for declaratory relief arising under the patent laws of the United States. Applied Materials, Inc. ("Applied") brings the instant action because Defendant Demaray LLC ("Demaray") has filed lawsuits alleging that certain of Applied's customers infringe United States Patent Nos. 7,544,276 and 7,381,657 (the "Asserted Patents") by using "semiconductor manufacturing equipment including reactive magnetron sputtering reactors" manufactured by Applied. True and correct copies of these complaints against Applied's customers are attached as Exhibits A and B. Demaray's lawsuits against Applied's customers have placed a cloud over Applied's products; threatened Applied's business and relationships with its customers and partners, as well as the sales of its reactors; and created a justiciable controversy between Applied and Demaray.

2. Therefore, Applied requests declaratory relief as follows: (1) a declaratory judgment that 14 Applied's products do not infringe the Asserted Patents because they do not meet each and every 15 limitation of any asserted claim; (2) declaratory judgment that Applied's products cannot infringe 16 17 the Asserted Patents because the rights of named inventor, Mukundan Narasimhan ("Narasimhan"), 18 in the Asserted Patents were assigned to Applied, making Applied at least a co-owner of the 19 Asserted Patents that has not joined and will not join Demaray in alleging infringement of the 20 Asserted Patents; and (3) declaratory judgment that Applied's products cannot infringe because 21 Applied has a license to use the Asserted Patents by reason of a license granted to at least Applied 22 Komatsu Technology ("AKT") and Applied Komatsu Technology America, Inc. ("AKTA") 23 (collectively "Applied Komatsu"), affiliates of Applied, by Demaray's predecessor company, 24 25 Symmorphix, Inc. ("Symmorphix") covering the Asserted Patents; or alternatively, declaratory 26 judgment that Applied's products cannot infringe the Asserted Patents because the rights of one or 27 more of the other named inventors of the Asserted Patents were assigned to AKTA, making AKTA

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1 at least a co-owner of the Asserted Patents that has not been joined and will not join Demaray in 2 alleging infringement of the Asserted Patents. 3 <u>THE PARTIES</u> 4 3. Plaintiff Applied Materials, Inc. ("Applied") is a corporation organized and existing under 5 the laws of the state of Delaware, with its principal place of business at 3050 Bowers Avenue, Santa 6 Clara, CA 95054-3299. Applied is a leader in materials engineering solutions that creates 7 technology and products used for semiconductor fabrication, including but not limited to reactors 8 9 in the Endura product line. 10 4. Defendant Demaray LLC ("Demaray") is a limited liability company organized and existing 11 under the laws of the state of Delaware. Dr. Richard Ernest Demaray is the founder of Demaray 12 LLC. Dr. Demaray is also one of the named inventors on the Asserted Patents. Dr. Demaray 13 describes Demaray LLC as a "Silicon Valley, CA" company which "[is] about the portfolio of my 14 patents."1 15 16 JURISDICTIONAL STATEMENT 17 5. This action arises under the Declaratory Judgment Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2201, and under the 18 patent laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. §§ 1–390. 19 6. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1338(a), 20 and 2201(a). 21 7. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Demaray. Among other things, Demaray has 22 continuous and systematic business contacts with Northern California. Demaray's "founder and 23 24 president," Dr. Demaray, describes Demaray as a "Silicon Valley, CA" company:² 25 26 27 ¹ https://www.edemaray.com/bios.html 28 ² https://www.edemaray.com/bios.html; https://www.linkedin.com/in/ernestdemarayphd/



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relies on meetings occurring in Northern California to establish alleged pre-suit notice and knowledge of the Asserted Patents, and alleged willful infringement.⁸

9. Venue is proper in this District under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b), (c), because a substantial part of the events giving rise to Applied's claim occurred in this district, and because Demaray is subject to personal jurisdiction here.

10. On information and belief, Dr. Demaray has filed over a hundred patents over the course of
 his career, which has been spent almost entirely in Northern California.⁹ After receiving the entirety
 of his education at schools located in Northern California (Cal State Hayward and the University
 of California at Santa Cruz), Dr. Demaray has spent almost 40 years working at California-based
 companies, including Applied Komatsu, Varian Semiconductor, Symmorphix, and Demaray.¹⁰

11. On information and belief, in addition to Dr. Demaray, Ravi Mullapudi, one of the other 13 named inventors of the Asserted Patents, also resides in Northern California. On information and 14 belief, Gary Edwards, the patent prosecution attorney for the Asserted Patents, resides in Northern 15 16 California.¹¹ Further, on information and belief, the research and development of the Asserted 17 Patents was performed in Northern California. On information and belief, the Sales and 18 Relationship Agreement between Applied Komatsu and Symmorphix, which granted Applied 19 Komatsu a license to the Asserted Patents, as detailed infra, was negotiated and executed in 20 Northern California.

12. An immediate, real, and justiciable controversy exists between Applied and Demaray as to
whether Applied and/or Applied's products are infringing or have infringed the Asserted Patents.

- 26 $\frac{}{8}$ See Ex. B at 24–25.
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