UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

TRADING TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL, INC.,))
Plaintiff,)
V.)
CQG, INC., and CQGT, LLC,)
Defendants.)

Civil Action No. 05C 4811

ANSWER, AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES AND COUNTERCLAIMS OF CQG, INC. AND CQGT, LLC

Defendants CQG, Inc. ("CQG") and CQGT, LLC ("CQGT") ("collectively CQG")

hereby answers Plaintiff's Complaint for Patent Infringement as follows:

PARTIES

1. Plaintiff Trading Technologies is a Delaware Corporation with a principal place of business at 222 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 1100, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

CQG is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the

allegations made in Paragraph 1 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies those allegations.

2. Defendant CQG is a Colorado Corporation with its principal place of business at 1050 17th Street, Suite 2000, Denver, CO 80265.

CQG admits the allegations in Paragraph 2 of the Complaint.

3. Defendant CQG has a regional office at 311 S. Wacker, Suite 3810, Chicago, IL 60606.

CQG admits the allegations in Paragraph 3 of the Complaint.

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4. Defendant CQGT is a Colorado Limited Liability Company with its principal place of business at 1050 17th Street, Suite 2000, Denver, CO 80265.

CQG admits the allegations in Paragraph 4 of the Complaint.

5. Defendant CQGT was formed by CQG on August 12, 2005.

CQG admits the allegations in Paragraph 5 of the Complaint.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

6. This is an action for patent infringement arising under the acts of Congress relating to patents, namely the Patent Laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. §§ 1 *et seq.* This Court thereby has subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).

CQG admits the allegations of Paragraph 6 of the Complaint.

7. Defendant CQG regularly conducts business in this district. Defendant CQG has an office located in this district. Defendant CQG provides trading software that is for use with the exchanges in this district, including the Chicago Board of Trade ("CBOT") and the Chicago Mercantile Exchange ("CME"). This Court has jurisdiction generally over Defendant CQG.

CQG admits that it has an office in this district and that it provides trading software that

facilitates making trades on the CBOT and CME exchanges. Except as expressly admitted, CQG

denies the allegations in Paragraph 7 of the Complaint.

8. Defendant CQGT is a wholly owned subsidiary of CQG.

CQG admits the allegations in Paragraph 8 of the Complaint.

9. Defendants have committed and continue to commit acts of patent infringement in this district. Therefore, this Court has specific jurisdiction over the Defendants.

CQG denies the allegations in Paragraph 9 of the Complaint.

10. Defendants CQG resides in this district, because Defendant is subject to personal jurisdiction in this district. Therefore, this District is a proper venue pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b) and 1400(b).

CQG admits that it is subject to personal jurisdiction in this district. Except as expressly

admitted, CQG denies the allegations in Paragraph 10 of the Complaint.

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COUNT I:

Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 6,766,304

11. Plaintiff Trading Technologies is the owner of U.S. Patent No. 6,766,304 ("the '304 patent"), titled "Click Based Trading with Intuitive Grid Display of Market Depth," which issued on July 20, 2004. A true and correct copy of the '304 patent is attached as Exhibit A.

U.S. Patent No. 6,766,304 ("the '304 Patent), identified in Exhibit A in the Complaint, is

a document that speaks for itself. Except as expressly admitted, CQG is without knowledge or

information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 11

of the Complaint, and on that basis denies those allegations.

12. Plaintiff Trading Technologies is in compliance with any applicable marking and notice provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 287.

CQG is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the

allegations in Paragraph 12 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies those allegations.

13. Defendants have and continue to infringe the '304 patent by making, using, selling and/or offering for sale products and methods covered by claims of the '304 patent without Plaintiff Trading Technologies' authorization in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

CQG denies the allegations in Paragraph 13 of the Complaint.

14. In addition, Defendants' actions have and continue to constitute active inducement of and/or contributory infringement of the '304 patent in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(b) and (c).

CQG denies the allegations in Paragraph 14 of the Complaint.

15. Defendants' infringement of the '304 patent is willful and deliberate.

CQG denies the allegations in Paragraph 15 of the Complaint.

16. Defendants' infringement of the '304 patent has caused irreparable harm to Plaintiff Trading Technologies and will continue to do so unless enjoined.

CQG denies the allegations in Paragraph 16 of the Complaint.

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COUNT II: Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 6,722,132

17. Plaintiff Trading Technologies incorporates paragraphs 1-16 as if set forth in full.

CQG incorporates by reference its responses to Paragraphs 1-16, as set forth above, as

though fully set forth herein.

18. Plaintiff Trading Technologies is the owner of U.S. Patent No. 6,773, 243 ("the '132 patent"), titled "Click Based Trading with Intuitive Grid Display of Market Depth," which issued on August 3, 2004. A true and correct copy of the '132 patent is attached as Exhibit B.

U.S. Patent No. 6,772,132 ("the '132 Patent), identified in Exhibit B in the Complaint, is

a document that speaks for itself. Except as expressly admitted, CQG is without knowledge or

information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 18

of the Complaint, and on that basis denies those allegations.

19. Plaintiff Trading Technologies is in compliance with any applicable marking and notice provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 287.

CQG is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the

allegations in Paragraph 19 of the Complaint, and on that basis denies those allegations.

20. Defendants have and continues to infringe the '132 patent by making, using, selling and/or offering for sale products and methods covered by claims of the '132 patent without Plaintiff Trading Technologies' authorization in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a).

CQG denies the allegations in Paragraph 20 of the Complaint.

21. In addition, Defendants' actions have and continue to constitute active inducement of and/or contributory infringement of the '132 patent in violation of 35 U.S.C. §271(b) and (c).

CQG denies the allegations in Paragraph 21 of the Complaint.

22. Defendants' infringement of the '132 patent is willful and deliberate.

CQG denies the allegations in Paragraph 22 of the Complaint.

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23. Defendants' infringement of the '132 patent has caused irreparable harm to Plaintiff Trading Technologies and will continue to do so unless enjoined.

CQG denies the allegations in Paragraph 23 of the Complaint.

AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

1. Plaintiff's Complaint fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

2. Plaintiff's claims are barred by the doctrines of estoppel, acquiescence and/or unclean hands.

CQG has not been and is not now infringing either the '304 Patent or the '132
Patent.

4. The claims of the '304 Patent and '132 Patent are invalid or unenforceable for failure to comply with one or more provisions of Title 35 of the United States Code, including without limitation, Sections 101, 102, 103, and/or 112.

COUNTERCLAIM

For their counterclaim in this action, CQG, Inc. ("CQG") and CQGT, LLC ("CQGT") ("collectively CQG") allege as follows:

1. CQG incorporates by reference each of the prior allegations of this Answer and Counterclaim.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

2. Counterclaimant CQGT, LLC is a Colorado limited liability company, with its principal place of business in Denver, Colorado. Counterclaimant CQG, Inc. is a Colorado corporation, with its principal place of business in Denver, Colorado.

3. Counterdefendant Trading Technologies International, Inc. ("TT") alleges that it is a Delaware corporation, with its principal place of business in Chicago, Illinois.

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