

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO**

Civil Action No.: _____

TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEMS, INC.,
a Maryland company,

Plaintiff,

v.

TRACBEAM, L.L.C.,
a Colorado limited liability company,

Defendant.

COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT AND JURY DEMAND

Plaintiff, TeleCommunication Systems, Inc. (“TCS”), by and through its undersigned counsel, alleges as follows:

NATURE OF THE CASE

1. This is an action for declaratory judgment of noninfringement and invalidity of two (2) United States patents pursuant to the Declaratory Judgment Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201-02, the Patent Laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq.*, and for such relief as the Court deems just and proper.

PARTIES

2. Plaintiff TCS is a Maryland corporation with its principal place of business at 275 West Street, Annapolis, MD 21401.

3. On information and belief, Defendant TracBeam L.L.C. (“Defendant” or “TracBeam”) is a limited liability company incorporated in the State of Colorado and is the owner of the patents at issue in this case. TracBeam is identified as the assignee and owner of U.S. Patent No. 7,764,231 (“the ‘231 patent”) and U.S. Patent No. 7,525,484 (“the ‘484 patent”) (collectively “the patents-in-suit”). TracBeam is in the business of enforcing and licensing patents. On information and belief, TracBeam does not sell or offer for sale any products.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

4. This Court has exclusive subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a), 2201, and 2202, and the Patent Laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. § 1, *et seq.*

5. This Court has personal jurisdiction over TracBeam because TracBeam is incorporated in Colorado.

6. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b) and (c), and 1400(b), as on information and belief, TracBeam’s principal place of business is within this judicial district.

FACTS

7. According to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (“USPTO”) Assignments Database, TracBeam is the sole assignee of U.S. Patent No. 7,764,231 entitled “Wireless Location Using Multiple Mobile Station Techniques,” which issued on July 27, 2010. A copy of the ’231 patent is attached as Exhibit 1.

8. The USPTO Assignments Database also reflects that TracBeam is the sole assignee of U.S. Patent No. 7,525,484 entitled “Gateway and Hybrid Solutions for Wireless Location,” which issued on April 28, 2009. A copy of the ’484 patent is attached as Exhibit 2.

9. On February 25, 2011, TracBeam filed suit in the Tyler Division of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas against AT&T Inc., AT&T Mobility L.L.C. (collectively “AT&T”), MetroPCS Communications, Inc., MetroPCS Wireless, Inc., Texas RSA 7B3, L.P. D/B/A/ Peoples Wireless Services, Sprint Nextel Corporation, Sprint Spectrum L.P., Nextel of California, Inc., Nextel Communications of the Mid-Atlantic, Inc., Nextel of New York, Inc., Nextel South Corp., Nextel of Texas, Inc., Nextel West Corp., and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (“Cellco”) (collectively “Texas Action Defendants”), accusing the defendants of infringing the ‘231 and ‘484 patents (Case No. 6:11-cv-0096) (“the *Texas* action”). On May 19, 2011, TracBeam filed an Amended Complaint adding Google, Inc., and Skyhook Wireless, Inc. as defendants. TCS is not a named party to the *Texas* action.

10. The *Texas* action generally alleges that the Texas Action Defendants’ products and services for determining the locations of wireless mobile devices infringe the ‘231 and ‘484 patents. TCS is the vendor for products and services for determining the locations of wireless mobile devices to MetroPCS Communications, Inc. and MetroPCS Wireless, Inc. (collectively “MetroPCS”) and Sprint Nextel Corporation, Sprint Spectrum L.P., Nextel of California, Inc., Nextel Communications of the Mid-Atlantic, Inc., Nextel of New York, Inc., Nextel South Corp., Nextel of Texas, Inc., and Nextel West Corp. (collectively “Sprint”).

11. MetroPCS and Sprint have tendered indemnification demands to TCS.

12. Separately, on August 30, 2011, TracBeam sent a letter notifying TCS of its patent portfolio, including the ‘231 and ‘484 patents. The notification letter to TCS is attached as Exhibit 3.

13. According to the Amended Complaint in the *Texas* action, TracBeam notified Cellco, Sprint, and AT&T of its patent *applications* over ten years before they matured into issued patents. On information and belief, TracBeam initiated a lawsuit against Cellco, Sprint, and AT&T when they refused to take a license to the patents. TracBeam's pattern of notification and subsequent initiation of a lawsuit is indicative of TracBeam's litigious intentions when a party refuses to take a license to its patent portfolio. TracBeam's past conduct, coupled with its notice to TCS and suit against TCS customers, results in a substantial controversy between the parties that is of sufficient immediacy and reality to warrant declaratory relief.

14. TCS's products and services for determining the locations of wireless mobile devices have not infringed and do not infringe, either directly or indirectly, any valid claim of the '231 or '484 patents, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents. A substantial controversy exists between the parties that is of sufficient immediacy and reality to warrant declaratory relief.

15. TCS believes and alleges that one or more of the claims of the '231 and '484 patents are invalid.

COUNT I

Declaration of Non-Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,764,231

16. TCS repeats, realleges, and incorporates by reference herein the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 15 as though expressly set forth herein.

17. TracBeam has alleged that at least one customer of TCS infringes the '231 patent in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas with products supplied by TCS.

18. TracBeam has also put TCS on notice of its patent portfolio, including the '231 patent that has been asserted against at least one TCS customer.

19. TCS's products and services for determining the locations of wireless mobile devices have not infringed and do not infringe, directly or indirectly, any valid claim of the '231 patent, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents.

20. As a result of the acts described in the foregoing paragraphs, there exists a substantial controversy of sufficient immediacy and reality to warrant the issuance of a declaratory judgment as to whether TCS infringes, directly or indirectly, any claim of the '231 patent.

21. A judicial declaration is necessary and appropriate so that TCS may ascertain its rights regarding the '231 patent.

COUNT II

Declaration of Invalidity of U.S. Patent No. 7,764,231

22. TCS repeats, realleges, and incorporates by reference herein the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 21 as though expressly set forth herein.

23. The '231 patent is invalid for failure to meet the conditions of patentability and/or otherwise comply with one or more of 35 U.S.C. §§ 100 *et seq.*, including, but not limited to, sections 101, 102, 103, and/or 112.

24. As a result of the acts described in the foregoing paragraphs, there exists a substantial controversy of sufficient immediacy and reality to warrant the issuance of a declaratory judgment regarding the invalidity of the '231 patent.

Explore Litigation Insights

Docket Alarm provides insights to develop a more informed litigation strategy and the peace of mind of knowing you're on top of things.

Real-Time Litigation Alerts



Keep your litigation team up-to-date with **real-time alerts** and advanced team management tools built for the enterprise, all while greatly reducing PACER spend.

Our comprehensive service means we can handle Federal, State, and Administrative courts across the country.

Advanced Docket Research



With over 230 million records, Docket Alarm's cloud-native docket research platform finds what other services can't. Coverage includes Federal, State, plus PTAB, TTAB, ITC and NLRB decisions, all in one place.

Identify arguments that have been successful in the past with full text, pinpoint searching. Link to case law cited within any court document via Fastcase.

Analytics At Your Fingertips



Learn what happened the last time a particular judge, opposing counsel or company faced cases similar to yours.

Advanced out-of-the-box PTAB and TTAB analytics are always at your fingertips.

API

Docket Alarm offers a powerful API (application programming interface) to developers that want to integrate case filings into their apps.

LAW FIRMS

Build custom dashboards for your attorneys and clients with live data direct from the court.

Automate many repetitive legal tasks like conflict checks, document management, and marketing.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Litigation and bankruptcy checks for companies and debtors.

E-DISCOVERY AND LEGAL VENDORS

Sync your system to PACER to automate legal marketing.