IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

BEDGEAR, LLC)
Plaintiff,)
v.) Case No. 1:15-cv-6759-KAM-AKT
FREDMAN BROS. FURNITURE COMPANY INC. D/B/A GLIDEAWAY SLEEP PRODUCTS)))
Defendant.)))

DEFENDANT FREDMAN BROS. FURNITURE COMPANY INC.'S RESPONSIVE CLAIM CONSTRUCTION BRIEF



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Defendant Fredman Bros. Furniture Company, Inc. d/b/a Glideaway Sleep Products ("Glideaway") respectfully submits its Responsive Claim Construction Brief setting forth its proposed constructions for disputed claim terms and phrases from the asserted claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 8,646,134 ("the '134 Patent"), 8,887,332 ("the '332 Patent"), 9,015,883 ("the '883 Patent"), and 9,155,408 ("the '408 Patent") (collectively "the Asserted Patents"). See Exs. 1-4.2 For consistency with Bedgear's Opening Brief ("Br."), Glideaway will similarly refer to the '134 Patent, '332 Patent, and '883 Patent as the "Gusset Patents" and will similarly use exemplary citations to the '332 specification and drawings.

I. INTRODUCTION

Glideaway's proposed constructions are supported by both the evidence and the law. Bedgear's constructions, on the other hand, are contrary to both the evidence and the law. Bedgear improperly construes the term "gusset" in a manner that departs vastly from its ordinary and customary meaning in the art, but the evidence confirms the Gusset Patents use that term in a manner entirely consistent with its understood meaning in the art. Bedgear deviates from the patents' express definition of "open cell construction," even though the law demands that "the inventor's lexicography governs," because Bedgear knows that, otherwise, this term is indefinite based on the patents' failure to provide any objective standard for assessing "high porosity." And Bedgear proposes to construe the common term "pillow" in the '408 Patent in a manner that improperly limits this term to a two-cover embodiment when the patent allows for single-cover embodiments. Bedgear's constructions should be rejected.

² Exhibit numbers refer to the Exhibits to the Declaration of Jason Mudd filed herewith. Dkt. 77.



¹ The parties' respective constructions, including disputed and agreed constructions, are set forth in the Joint Disputed Claim Terms Chart (Dkt. 72) at 5-11 (attached as Ex. 5 hereto). Bedgear has asserted Glideaway infringes: (i) claims 1-5, 11, 12, and 16 of the '134 Patent; (ii) claims 1-6, 8-10, 13, 15, 16, 20, 22, 23, 28, 33, and 34 of the '332 Patent; (iii) claims 1-10, 12, 14, and 17-19 of the '883 Patent; and (iv) claim 12 of the '408 Patent ("the Assserted Claims"). *See* Ex. 6.

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