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                FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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    BLACKBERRY LIMITED, a
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    Canadian corporation,
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                   Plaintiff,
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                                          CASE NO. 2:18-cv-02693
              v.
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                                          COMPLAINT FOR PATENT
    SNAP INC., a Delaware corporation
                                          INFRINGEMENT
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                   Defendant.
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                                          JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
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COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

Plaintiff BlackBerry Limited ("BlackBerry" or "Plaintiff") hereby asserts the following claims for patent infringement against Defendant Snap Inc. ("Snap" or "Defendant"), and alleges as follows:

SUMMARY

- 1. **BlackBerry Pioneers Mobile Messaging** BlackBerry has been a leading innovator in the field of mobile communications for the past 30 years, having invested substantial sums into research and development of communications technologies. BlackBerry's innovations led to the commercialization of some of the earliest models of smartphones in the United States, enabling its users to, among other things, send and receive e-mails securely and surf the internet anytime and anywhere. These same innovations prompted the rise of the smartphone as a necessary everyday accessory for businesspersons and ordinary consumers alike.
- 2. One example of BlackBerry's innovations is the BlackBerry Messenger technology, which revolutionized instant messaging by providing users with secure, user-friendly, point-to-point instant messaging on their mobile devices. In many respects, through BlackBerry Messenger and other research and development, BlackBerry helped pioneer modern mobile messaging—secure, instant and user friendly on a mobile device. The appeal and success of BlackBerry Messenger led consumers to consider instant messaging functionality as an integral aspect of mobile communications, resulting today in billions of people worldwide engaging in instant messaging over their mobile device.
- 3. As an innovator, BlackBerry took many steps to safeguard this valuable intellectual property. It received numerous patents protecting the cutting-edge features of its mobile phones, BlackBerry Messenger, and other communications applications that make such products secure, easy-to-use, and ultimately engaging to the end-user, thereby driving user growth and retention.

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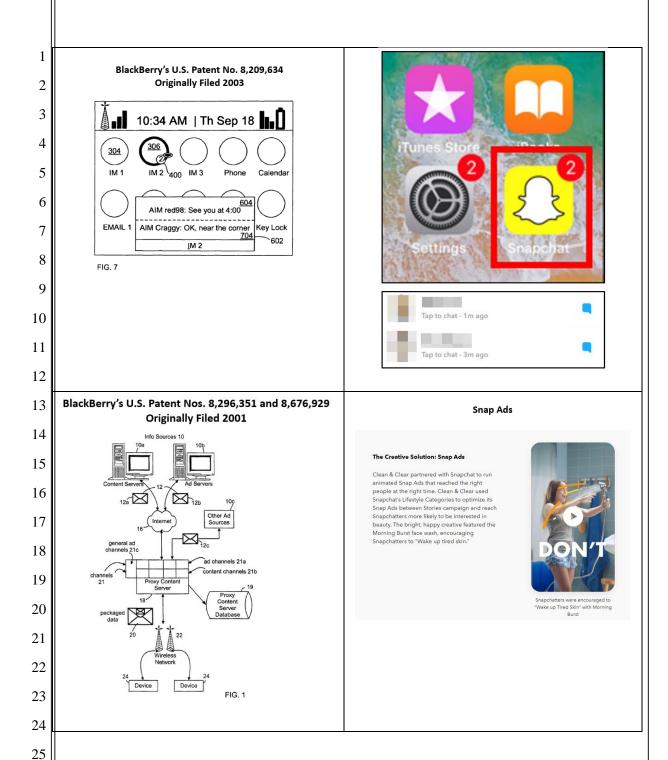
Defendant has used BlackBerry's intellectual property to compete with 4. 2 it in the mobile messaging space. A summary of Snap's infringing activities is 3 presented below:

4	BlackBerry's Innovations	Snap
5	BlackBerry's U.S. Patent Nos. 8,825,084 and 8,326,327	"Introducing Snap Map" June 21, 2017
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15	BlackBerry's U.S. Patent No. 8,301,713 Originally Filed 2003	
16	➤ Hi Honey, how was your day?	5.27 AM Test1
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18	284 Yeah, but I gol/him back later with a karate chop! [2:44 pm] Hey, want to go out tonight? 286 [4:56 pm] Sure, sounds fun. 294 280	5:34 AM
19	Great, I'LL pick you up in an hour.	Test3 5:36 AM Test4
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- 5. The Patents-in-Suit cover, for example:
- (a) *Map Improvements For Mobile Devices*—improved mapping techniques to establish and maintain real time activity location information and provide

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 sufficient indication for user adoption;

- (b) *User Interface Improvements For Mobile Devices*—including (i) improvements in message notification techniques that streamline and optimize reception of new message notifications, and (ii) display of timestamps in a messaging user interface that provides users with appropriate temporal context for their communications without overtaking the user's screen with unnecessary information; and
- (c) *Modern Mobile Advertising Techniques*—methods for integrating advertising on mobile devices using different static and dynamic advertising content as well as time sensitive advertising.
- 6. Defendant's Use of BlackBerry's Mobile Messaging Innovations Harms BlackBerry and Provides Undeserved Windfall to Snap—Defendant's use of BlackBerry's inventions and infringement of the Patents-in-Suit have succeeded in diverting consumers away from BlackBerry's products and services and toward those of Defendant. This infringement has resulted in a substantial and undeserved windfall for Defendant as these users drive Defendant's revenue. Defendant's gain comes at BlackBerry's expense, depriving BlackBerry of revenue to which it is entitled as a result of its inventions.
- 7. BlackBerry attempted to resolve this dispute without resorting to litigation. It has been communicating with Defendant for over a year regarding its patent portfolio, including various letters, calls and an in person meeting. Through this suit, BlackBerry seeks redress for the harm caused by Defendant's unlawful use of BlackBerry's intellectual property.

INTRODUCTION TO BLACKBERRY

8. For more than 30 years, BlackBerry has been a leading innovator in the mobile communications industry. BlackBerry's cutting-edge wireless communication products and services have transformed the way people around the world connect, converse, and share digital information.

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