## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

GAVIN EVAN, AN INDIVIDUAL,

PLAINTIFF,

V.

THE PARTNERSHIPS AND UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATIONS IDENTIFIED ON SCHEDULE A,

DEFENDANTS.

CASE No. 21-CV-03563

JUDGE REBECCA R. PALLMEYER

MAGISTRATE JUDGE SUNIL R. HARJANI

## PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION ORDER

Plaintiff Gavin Evans, an individual ("Gavin Evans", or "Plaintiff") filed a Motion for Entry of a Preliminary Injunction against the against the fully interactive, e-commerce stores operating under the seller aliases identified in Schedule A to the Complaint and attached hereto (collectively, "Defendants") and using at least the domain names identified in Schedule A (the "Defendant Domain Names") and the online marketplace accounts identified in Schedule A (the "Online Marketplaces"). After reviewing the Motion and the accompanying record, this Court GRANTS Plaintiff's Motion in part as follows.

This Court finds Gavin Evans has provided notice to Defendants in accordance with the Temporary Restraining Order entered July 19, 2021 [16] ("TRO"), and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65(a)(1).

This Court also finds, in the absence of adversarial presentation, that it has personal jurisdiction over Defendants because Defendants directly target their business activities toward

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The e-commerce store urls are listed on Schedule A hereto under the Online Marketplaces.

consumers in the United States, including Illinois. Specifically, Gavin Evans has provided a basis to conclude that Defendants have targeted sales to Illinois residents by setting up and operating e-commerce stores that target United States consumers using one or more seller aliases, offer shipping to the United States, including Illinois, and have sold products using infringing or derivative versions of Gavin Evans's federally registered copyrights (the "Gavin Evans Copyrights") to residents of Illinois. In this case, Gavin Evans has presented screenshot evidence that each Defendant e-commerce store is reaching out to do business with Illinois residents by operating one or more commercial, interactive internet stores through which Illinois residents can and do purchase products using infringing or derivative versions of the Gavin Evans Copyrights. *See* Docket No. [11], which includes screenshot evidence confirming that each Defendant e-commerce store does stand ready, willing and able to ship its infringing goods to customers in Illinois bearing infringing and/or derivative versions of the Gavin Evans Copyrights.

This Court also finds that the injunctive relief previously granted in the TRO should remain in place through the pendency of this litigation and that issuing this Preliminary Injunction is warranted under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65. Evidence submitted in support of this Motion and in support of Gavin Evans's previously granted Motion for Entry of a TRO establishes that Gavin Evans has demonstrated a likelihood of success on the merits; that no remedy at law exists; and that Gavin Evans will suffer irreparable harm if the injunction is not granted.

Specifically, Gavin Evans has proved a *prima facie* case of copyright infringement because Gavin Evans has shown (1) valid ownership in the David Bowie Copyrights; and (2) copying of constituent elements of the work that are original. Furthermore, Defendants'

continued and unauthorized use of the Gavin Evans Copyrights irreparably harms Gavin Evans through diminished goodwill and brand confidence, damage to Gavin Evans's reputation, loss of exclusivity, loss of control over its creative content, and loss of future sales. Monetary damages fail to address such damage and, therefore, Gavin Evans has an inadequate remedy at law. Moreover, the public interest is served by entry of this Preliminary Injunction to dispel the public confusion created by Defendants' actions. Accordingly, this Court orders that:

- 1. Defendants, their officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons acting for, with, by, through, under, or in active concert with them be preliminarily enjoined and restrained from:
  - a. using the Gavin Evans Copyrights or any reproductions, infringing and/or derivative copies, or colorable imitations in any manner in connection with the distribution, marketing, advertising, offering for sale, or sale of any product that is not a genuine Gavin Evans product or not authorized by Gavin Evans to be sold in connection with the Gavin Evans Copyrights or copyrighted works;
  - b. passing off, inducing, or enabling others to sell or pass off any product as a genuine Gavin Evans product or any other product produced by Gavin Evans, that is not Gavin Evans's or not produced under the authorization, control, or supervision of Gavin Evans and approved by Gavin Evans for sale bearing the Gavin Evans Copyrights;
  - c. committing any acts calculated to cause consumers to believe that Defendants' products are those sold under the authorization, control, or supervision of Gavin Evans, or are sponsored by, approved by, or otherwise connected with Gavin Evans; and

- d. manufacturing, shipping, delivering, holding for sale, transferring or otherwise moving, storing, distributing, returning, or otherwise disposing of, in any manner, products or inventory not manufactured by or for Gavin Evans, nor authorized by Gavin Evans to be sold or offered for sale, and which bear any of Gavin Evans's copyrights, including the Gavin Evans Copyrights, or any reproductions, infringing copies, or colorable imitations.
- 2. Defendants shall not transfer or dispose of any money or other of Defendants' assets in any of Defendants' financial accounts.
- 3. Upon Gavin Evans's request, Defendants and any third party with actual notice of this Order who is providing services for any of Defendants, or in connection with any of Defendants' Online Marketplaces, including, without limitation, any online marketplace platforms such as eBay, Inc., AliExpress, Alibaba Group Holding Ltd. ("Alibaba"), Amazon.com, Inc., ContextLogic Inc. d/b/a Wish.com ("Wish.com"), and Dhgate (collectively, the "Third Party Providers"), shall, within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of such notice, provide to Gavin Evans expedited discovery, limited to copies of documents and records in such person's or entity's possession or control sufficient to determine:
  - a. the identities and locations of Defendants, their officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and any persons acting in active concert or participation with them, including all known contact information and all associated e-mail addresses;
  - b. the nature of Defendants' operations and all associated sales, methods of payment for services, and financial information, including, without limitation, identifying information associated with the Online Marketplaces and Defendants' financial

- accounts, including Defendants' sales and listing history related to their respective Online Marketplaces; and
- c. any financial accounts owned or controlled by Defendants, including their officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and any persons acting in active concert or participation with them, including such accounts residing with or under the control of any banks, savings and loan associations, payment processors or other financial institutions, including, without limitation, PayPal, Inc. ("PayPal"), Alipay, Wish.com, Alibaba, Ant Financial Services Group ("Ant Financial"), Amazon Pay, or other merchant account providers, payment providers, third party processors, and credit card associations (e.g., MasterCard and VISA).
- 4. Upon Gavin Evans's request, those with notice of this Order, including the Third Party Providers as defined in Paragraph 4, shall within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of such notice, disable and cease displaying any advertisements used by or associated with Defendants in connection with the sale of infringing goods using the Gavin Evans Copyrights.
- 5. Any Third Party Providers, including PayPal, Alipay, Alibaba, Ant Financial, Wish.com, and Amazon Pay, shall, within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of this Order:
  - a. locate all accounts and funds connected to Defendants' seller aliases, including, but not limited to, any financial accounts connected to the information listed in Schedule A hereto, and/or any seller aliases or e-mail addresses identified in Exhibit
    2 to the Declaration of Paul Varley, and any e-mail addresses provided for Defendants by third parties; and

- b. restrain and enjoin any such accounts or funds from transferring or disposing of any money or other of Defendants' assets until further order by this Court.
- 6. Gavin Evans may provide notice of the proceedings in this case to Defendants, including service of process pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(f)(3), and any future motions, by electronically publishing a link to the Pleadings, this Order, and other relevant documents on a website and by sending an e-mail with a link to said website to any seller aliases or e-mail addresses identified in Exhibit 2 to the Declaration of Paul Varley, and any e-mail addresses provided for Defendants by third parties. The Clerk of the Court is directed to issue a single original summons in the name of "Abi Poster Store and all other Defendants identified in the Complaint" that shall apply to all Defendants. The combination of providing notice via electronic publication and e-mail, along with any notice that Defendants receive from payment processors, shall constitute notice reasonably calculated under all circumstances to apprise Defendants of the pendency of the action and afford them the opportunity to present their objections.
- 7. Plaintiff's Pleading(s) Amended Complaint [Docket No. 7] and Exhibits 1-2 thereto [Docket Nos. 7-1 and 7-2], Motion for Temporary Restraining Order [Docket No. 10], and its memorandum and supporting pleadings and exhibits [Docket No. 11] and Motion for extension of the Temporary Restraining Order [Docket No. 18], and its memorandum and supporting pleadings and exhibits [Docket No. 18] are unsealed.
- 8. Any Defendants that are subject to this Order may appear and move to dissolve or modify the Order as permitted by and in compliance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Northern District of Illinois Local Rules. Any third party impacted by this Order may move for appropriate relief.

9.	The \$10,000 bond posted by Gavin Evans shall remain with the Court until a final
	disposition of this case or until this Preliminary Injunction is terminated.

SO ORDERED:

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August 16		United	States District Judg	ge
Dated:	, 2021			

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## **SCHEDULE A**

No.	DEFENDANT / SELLER ALIAS	Marketplace URL
1	Abi Poster Store	aliexpress.com/store/4842048
2	100% cotton T-shirt 180 Store	aliexpress.com/store/911826450
3	AMZING LIFE Store	aliexpress.com/store/911808668
4	Anna Bags Store	anna-bag-store.aliexpress.com/store/2133096
5	AWE Store	aliexpress.com/store/911573308
6	Beautiful	aliexpress.com/store/2186050
7	Daxiangxidi Art Store	aliexpress.com/store/5791805
8	Decor & Art Store	aliexpress.com/store/910560216
9	Digital World 2230 Store	aliexpress.com/store/911415060
10	GaoGeng189 Store	aliexpress.com/store/911713356
11	gon niu Store	aliexpress.com/store/5062335
12	GozLeung Art Store	aliexpress.com/store/911423160
13	K&K Print Clothes Factory Store	aliexpress.com/store/911601060
14	Kavsenraies Factory Store	kavsenraies2021.aliexpress.com/store/5557168
15	MoonArt Store	aliexpress.com/store/911136274
16	Ms Xiao Store	aliexpress.com/store/5439179
17	NNBF Store	aliexpress.com/store/911713130
18	NYtian Store	aliexpress.com/store/5366179
19	poster boutique Store	aliexpress.com/store/5068454
20	Shop4037040 Store	aliexpress.com/store/4037040

No.	Defendant / Seller Alias	Marketplace URL
21	Shop5967009 Store	aliexpress.com/store/5967009
22	Syntecso Funny Store	aliexpress.com/store/910544428
23	YWhomeware Store	aliexpress.com/store/911716049
24	Zanamo Store	aliexpress.com/store/911396027
25	Zoo Art Store	aliexpress.com/store/910569325
26	Artwork Covers Store	aliexpress.com/store/911914036
27	Brilliant Art Store	aliexpress.com/store/910364095
28	CX330 Factory Store	aliexpress.com/store/5065059
29	Eric and May Creativity Store	aliexpress.com/store/4501043
30	Estmo ART Store	estmo.aliexpress.com/store/5873751
31	Fanshu House Store	aliexpress.com/store/4435165
32	Lover Art Store	aliexpress.com/store/910904061
33	New Artworks Store	aliexpress.com/store/5584336
34	Observer Store	aliexpress.com/store/1757667
35	Oh clothes Store	aliexpress.com/store/911230007
36	Q Lover Art Store	aliexpress.com/store/5973064
37	R8 Global Dropshipping Store	aliexpress.com/store/911503009
38	Shop911066141 Store	aliexpress.com/store/911066141
39	ShopAliaeBdnewfuture Store	aliexpress.com/store/911654435
40	Taurus Art Store	aliexpress.com/store/911776824
41	Winteral Art Poster Store	aliexpress.com/store/3657009
42	YWQH Art Store	aliexpress.com/store/5589402
43	yanhunshangmao	amazon.com/s?me=AGEOWQFFT7N04
44	Bshuiquzhe	amazon.com/s?me=A377V80XZH0MW8
45	jinxinshengmaoyigongsi	amazon.com/s?me=AYX5FGCMQFTTV
46	Joseph Abramson	amazon.com/s?me=A3CBV95AOU6ZC
47	Oulili	amazon.com/s?me=A3SDLPWKMR3OKW
48	the_big_poster_house	ebay.com/usr/the_big_poster_house
49	alienprints	ebay.com/usr/alienprints
50	canvas2go	ebay.com/usr/canvas2go
51	canvasprints2010	ebay.co.uk/usr/canvasprints2010
52	df-311	ebay.com/usr/df-311
53	dididaposter	ebay.com/usr/dididaposter
54	eliiz44	ebay.com/usr/eliiz44

No.	DEFENDANT / SELLER ALIAS	Marketplace URL
55	ilsor_50	ebay.com/usr/ilsor_50
56	j-tees	ebay.com/usr/j-tees
57	ke-661	ebay.com/usr/ke-661
58	lerkbondarenc_0	ebay.com/usr/lerkbondarenc_0
59	lukreativedesign	ebay.com/usr/lukreativedesign
60	marshi-33	ebay.com/usr/marshi-33
61	perfectcanvas016	ebay.com/usr/perfectcanvas016
62	pick_your_posters	ebay.co.uk/usr/pick_your_posters
63	printed-products-pro	ebay.com/usr/printed-products-pro
64	purpleheartprint	ebay.com/usr/purpleheartprint
65	scars_on_mars	ebay.com/usr/scars_on_mars
66	shirt_happens_co	ebay.com/usr/shirt_happens_co
67	spud2907	ebay.com/usr/spud2907
68	stitchinkuk	ebay.com/usr/stitchinkuk
69	tongrease-0	ebay.com/sch/tongrease-0
70	zhayanshan	ebay.com/usr/zhayanshan
71	ziluartposter	ebay.com/usr/ziluartposter
72	zoystatnay_0	ebay.com/usr/zoystatnay_0
73	annualsd	wish.com/merchant/60085f19531067054344e31b
74	canvasxxxl	wish.com/merchant/5d3bd9bfe4b65d24411e7d1b
75	chenyan006	wish.com/merchant/5ad5982528a2b34d9f4614f3
76	cpiut9shop	wish.com/merchant/5f549556f72abe973e09c484
77	Dai Yuchao	wish.com/merchant/5b0eaad26b93025b8b10c4fc
78	daijieljl	wish.com/merchant/5e900cab11809455e1cbfe6c
79	David Williams43	wish.com/merchant/5ed2026e1925f655c2822c63
80	fkwfljfkdkl	wish.com/merchant/6062cc7bed4e8c6819ac2de2
81	gaojinrou56566666543	wish.com/merchant/5ffc106900d57eb2b6813de2
82	Helena Lease	wish.com/merchant/5f5339037e6d44a12611c3ce
83	idsigkjwzq	wish.com/merchant/5efffb47b9d8b11f3a98ded7
84	JCHYKJ	wish.com/merchant/5aa0f089417cee743af11688
85	kaixinjianianhua	wish.com/merchant/57d7e0a784a3e9264d8dbbe1
86	liqingngka9607	wish.com/merchant/5ad1a41681260b3f900c6b37
87	longjiaosan	wish.com/merchant/5b21e9b27b94e12f385304cc
88	MaggieDuketAqE	wish.com/merchant/5e776e0d29e78642ce55bc93

No.	DEFENDANT / SELLER ALIAS	Marketplace URL
89	New168	wish.com/merchant/5a45d984727653343ecdc299
90	phenomenone's	wish.com/merchant/6008295564eae0d26c613de8
91	Qiuhuashop	wish.com/merchant/5b2756d543b3b604fb40d707
92	shangqiusanshangjinchukoumaoyiyouxiangongsi	wish.com/merchant/55e55b7b0eeb2a3c7317907d
93	shenshiyan	wish.com/merchant/5b693d1f81066f34019d3735
94	songyanghe2jlk	wish.com/merchant/5faf6f9696ad805af158602f
95	wangxijuan	wish.com/merchant/5b2a61e0eae8b466b534db92
96	Wantulong	wish.com/merchant/5f559fdce693583f4719d48b
97	wujingshop	wish.com/merchant/5e5485ea207f9d22edee717d
98	xcnxm nxzmndc	wish.com/merchant/5d567c401d862968cb37801b
99	XinXinssupplies	wish.com/merchant/5ab1143abeed125a980275eb
100	yangguilan0239	wish.com/merchant/5e995817ec96214182ed2785
101	Yueyouhe	wish.com/merchant/5f533e8f5118ed3e2660ab3c
102	zhangdafeng	wish.com/merchant/5dd2a571d5c4b901c6a71456
103	zhangjieliul	wish.com/merchant/5dd2addca264fd8375cecfea
104	zhangzhihong123	wish.com/merchant/5a9e4167c3911a1775c6d3de
105	Zhenglongsheng	wish.com/merchant/5d4e65c4933fb16bf0b689bc
106	zhu188	wish.com/merchant/5d3fb933838897399d13cc1f
107	Zunjuexiaong	wish.com/merchant/5f55d1bbe69358a3ba19d8ed
108	ZWTFashion	wish.com/merchant/5dca0c86e0e91805b7addade