

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

BALAZS SOLTI,

Plaintiff,

Civil Action No.: 1:22-cv-00579

v.

Judge Mary M. Rowland

THE PARTNERSHIPS AND UNINCORPORATED
ASSOCIATIONS IDENTIFIED ON SCHEDULE “A”,

Magistrate Judge Susan E. Cox

Defendants.

PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION ORDER

Plaintiff BALAZS SOLTI (“BALAZS SOLTI” 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 online marketplace accounts identified in Schedule A (the “Online Marketplaces”). After reviewing the Motion and the accompanying record, this Court GRANTS BALAZS SOLTI’s Motion as follows.

This Court finds BALAZS SOLTI has provided notice to Defendants in accordance with the Temporary Restraining Order entered February 3, 2022, [15] (“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 consumers in the United States, including Illinois. Specifically, BALAZS SOLTI 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 versions of BALAZS SOLTI's federally registered copyrights, which are protected by Copyright Registration Nos. VA2250628, VA2250632, VA2250630, VA2250653, VA2250651, VA2250645, VA2250649, VA2250635, VA2250711, VA2250708, VA2250706, VA2250636, VA2250644, VA2250641, VA2250595, VA2250626, VA2250387, VA2249664, VA2249673, VA2249665, VA2249675, VA2249771, VA2249769, VA2249676, VA2249766, VA2249764, VA2249795, VA2249674, VA2249804, VA2249802, VA2249803, VA2249774, VA2249663, VA2249667, VA2249767, and VA2249682 (the "SOLTI Works") to residents of Illinois. In this case, BALAZS SOLTI 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 versions of the SOLTI Works. *See* Docket No. 13, 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 versions of the SOLTI Works.

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 BALAZS SOLTI's previously granted Motion for Entry of a TRO establishes that BALAZS SOLTI has demonstrated a likelihood of success on the merits; that no remedy at law exists; and that BALAZS SOLTI will suffer irreparable harm if the injunction is not granted.

Specifically, BALAZS SOLTÍ has proved a *prima facie* case of copyright infringement because (1) Plaintiff is the owner of the registered SOLTÍ Works, (2) Defendants are not licensed or authorized to use any of the SOLTÍ Works, and (3) Defendants' use of the SOLTÍ Works is causing a likelihood of confusion as to the origin or sponsorship of Defendants' products with BALAZS SOLTÍ. Furthermore, Defendants' continued and unauthorized use of the SOLTÍ Works irreparably harms BALAZS SOLTÍ through diminished goodwill and brand confidence, damage to BALAZS SOLTÍ's reputation, loss of exclusivity, and loss of future sales. Monetary damages fail to address such damage and, therefore, BALAZS SOLTÍ 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 SOLTÍ Works or any reproductions, infringing 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 BALAZS SOLTÍ product or not authorized by BALAZS SOLTÍ to be sold in connection with the SOLTÍ Works;
 - b. passing off, inducing, or enabling others to sell or pass off any product as a genuine BALAZS SOLTÍ product or any other product produced by BALAZS SOLTÍ, that is not BALAZS SOLTÍ's or not produced under the authorization, control, or

supervision of BALAZS SOLTI and approved by BALAZS SOLTI for sale under the SOLTI Works;

- c. committing any acts calculated to cause consumers to believe that Defendants' products are those sold under the authorization, control, or supervision of BALAZS SOLTI, or are sponsored by, approved by, or otherwise connected with BALAZS SOLTI; 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 BALAZS SOLTI, nor authorized by BALAZS SOLTI to be sold or offered for sale, and which bear any of BALAZS SOLTI's registered copyrights, including the SOLTI Works, 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 BALAZS SOLTI'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 Amazon Payments, Inc. ("Amazon") and ContextLogic, Inc. ("WISH") (collectively, the "Third Party Providers"), shall, within five (5) business days after receipt of such notice, provide to BALAZS SOLTI 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, Amazon and WISH, or other merchant account providers, payment providers, third party processors, and credit card associations (e.g., MasterCard and VISA).
4. Upon BALAZS SOLTI's request, those with notice of this Order, including the Third Party Providers as defined in Paragraph 3, shall within five (5) business 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 SOLTI Works.
5. Any Third Party Providers, including Amazon and WISH, shall, within five (5) business 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, the e-mail addresses identified in Exhibit 2 to the Declaration of Balazs Solti, 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. BALAZS SOLTI 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 Complaint, this Order, and other relevant documents on a website or by sending an e-mail with a link to said website to the e-mail addresses identified in Exhibit 2 to the Declaration of Balazs Solti 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 "XKLLM 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 Schedule A to the Complaint [2], Exhibit 2 to the Declaration of Balazs Solti [12], and the TRO [15] 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 Ten Thousand dollar (\$10,000) bond posted by BALAZS SOLTI shall remain with the Court until a final disposition of this case or until this Preliminary Injunction is terminated.

SO ORDERED:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mary M. Rowland", written in a cursive style.

Hon. Mary M. Rowland
United States District Judge

Dated: February 17, 2022

Schedule A

No.	Defendant
1	XKLLM
2	Shulisan
3	pinglanbaihuodian
4	wanghebaihuo
5	ZuoouTrade
6	zjqus
7	JIANWEIus
8	JILINGWANGLUOKEJI
9	Kaizhi Trading Company
10	旺家小店
11	pingdingshanhengdeyuanshiyeyouxiangongsi
12	JianYangQuLinNongRuYiLaiBaiHuoDian
13	Cecil T Green
14	Rita Home Decor
15	chaoyangquqianhushangmaohang
16	xiuyanmanzuzizhixianliyanhuangbaihuoshanghang
17	hualeiwujingongsi
18	nanpingshijianyangquyanyunhengbaihuodian
19	xiangyao
20	Printly Case
21	suzhoulinweidajixieshebeiyouxiangongsi
22	Yasala
23	JHNCC HK LIMITED
24	SAN REN HE
25	HONG KONG LIQIN INDUSTRIAL CO., LIMITED
26	CheeYunShangMaoYoungDuWuYuXianGongSi
27	haojixin
28	HONG KONG AGRIHARVEST COMPANY LIMITEDD
29	GZYDWMYYXGS
30	Guangzhouweijiashangmaoyouxiangongsiwu
31	GuiZhouLanMaoShangMaoYouXianGong
32	gaizhenstore
33	jinfanmaoyi1122
34	周口赛诚商贸有限公司
35	Inspiration art
36	FaYuanFangFuJueRe

37	XMxD
38	Julius N Donaldson
39	yanque123
40	ziyzzbm
41	Hulalala
42	Leyerer
43	WEIONE
44	One Bear
45	FVfV
46	boyisifuzhuangdian
47	DaZhuangYuJu
48	BiuPeng
49	FRBT
50	WeiMiaoJiaJu
51	ImperialWallArt
52	xianyouxianlonghuawumeiyingxiemaoshanghang
53	RUQI
54	fujianputianlifamaoyiyouxiangongsi
55	tuowei store
56	chuanhao store
57	BaoFengXianSiYuanJiaJuYongPinDian
58	fujianxianyouliremaoyiyouxiangongsi
59	weideriyongbaihuo301
60	foyaya
61	LLBBSS
62	godejdiong
63	SHYHXQH
64	zhangleiya
65	Decorative design in a good mood
66	TIADAOO
67	Vnurnrn-CY
68	li998na
69	chengzecheng
70	Delivery within 10-15 days
71	nunubee
72	junjie510KANG
73	agardy
74	Anna Estes
75	zhoushengjinrong

76	zhangleig
77	HelenStanfordoCuOuH
78	liaojingdufeng
79	dhqkdwhdfjqkdhwdkqd
80	free8432
81	Yinyou
82	hinauaoj
83	MarcusLouisePtnUbN
84	luobing71305
85	makeupgarden
86	lysjahgsduas
87	zhaozq
88	zhujie6398
89	laseloec
90	thestaetzgcmg
91	lbyajksdbaisff
92	qiangshoubisun
93	surprise yue
94	YIJIN28
95	Tim L Young
96	world 58
97	fjat
98	Xumeihua2452
99	Rebecca Rodriguez
100	Yapmin
101	xiangyang fashion
102	huangjiahui95691
103	wangguowei66209
104	huangyali52603
105	James Daniel
106	andyflag
107	frVUIzvN
108	darlingxx
109	oberbrunnerclemmie92
110	Dona laciura45
111	Ghommueirre
112	surprise hong
113	zhangguiting7890
114	McDonald all

115	nanfang88
116	ahdjaDHASJDSJH
117	seventa
118	zhangjunyuan4469
119	migyauay
120	AE Shoes
121	sangyuanji84983
122	caiqianchaoliu
123	kangzhan2
124	qear2874
125	MarjorieUnanSfU
126	qabohkmhfayeunvm
127	Rebel Radio Podcast
128	zouzhengwei1134
129	tan0495ydufg
130	Jennifer Marino45
131	NatoshaGerber
132	arayareina49516551
133	DDE
134	90psk
135	wuzhihua7912
136	httqkwhjeasnd
137	YIJIN52
138	song5800
139	Jeffrey White
140	YIJIN36
141	Gary Mathis
142	Vuccotium
143	glyy1YYC
144	xingwei shopping
145	BHGTU
146	Smiths James
147	shanghongfu0716
148	Wondlandy Magic
149	caoguiping2737
150	YIJIN23
151	QiaobuwutaolK
152	shenshaobo fashion
153	stoneshop

154	chunchunstore
155	BlingDa
156	engermarcu
157	qihcyhrf
158	chenyouyan0910
159	BlingDai
160	umbus
161	mahongkin5632
162	douhao2590
163	wangzuobin Store
164	chenmeng1050
165	guolesong1287
166	chenchuhuan4305
167	Aubrey Borders
168	Hot Y
169	sheausla
170	jianghongxiao91780
171	Kootheh
172	caoxupeng6426
173	ksagxd
174	Paul Myers
175	lihaiyan7946
176	CichuizhangbicV
177	Andre Jones
178	YIJIN54
179	guorui71320
180	Luz Roberts
181	yangshengping51315
182	zhengjie07313
183	wanganlin81289
184	Breanna Morgan
185	YyuXIhongta130
186	Sam C Cameron
187	Francesllk
188	Charlotte Howard

