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8	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT	
9	DISTRICT OF NEVADA	
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11	RIGHTHAVEN LLC, a Nevada limited-	Case No.: 2:10-cv-01833
12	liability company,	COMPLAINT AND DEMAND
		FOR JURY TRIAL
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	Plaintiff,	
14	v.	
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	IMPERIAL HOTEL MANAGEMENT	
16	COLLEGE, INC., a British Columbia,	
	Canada corporation,	
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10	Defendant.	
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21	Righthaven LLC ("Righthaven") complains as follows against Imperial Hotel	
22	Management College, Inc. ("IHMC") on information and belief:	
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24	<u>NATURE OF ACTION</u>	
25	1. This is an action for copyright infringement pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 501.	
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# **PARTIES**

- 2. Righthaven is, and has been at all times relevant to this lawsuit, a Nevada limited-liability company with its principal place of business in Nevada.
- 3. Righthaven is, and has been at all times relevant to this lawsuit, in good standing with the Nevada Secretary of State.
- 4. IHMC is, and has been at all times relevant to this lawsuit, a British Columbia, Canada corporation.
- 5. IHMC is, and has been at all times relevant to this lawsuit, the owner of the Internet Domain found at <imperialhotelmanagementcollegestudent.blogspot.com> (the "Domain").

### **JURISDICTION**

- 6. This Court has original subject matter jurisdiction over this copyright infringement action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 and 28 U.S.C. § 1338(a).
- 7. Righthaven is the owner of the copyright in the literary work entitled: "Vdara visitor says 'death ray' scorched hair. Chicago lawyer says bag also melted" (the "Work"), attached hereto as Exhibit 1.
- 8. At all times relevant to this lawsuit, the Work has depicted and depicts the original source publication as the Las Vegas *Review-Journal*.
- 9. IHMC willfully copied, on an unauthorized basis, the Work from a source emanating from Nevada.
- 10. On or about September 29, 2010, IHMC displayed, and continues to display, an unauthorized reproduction of the Work (the "Infringement"), attached hereto as Exhibit 2, as part of the content accessible through the Domain (said content accessible through the Domain and the Domain itself, collectively known herein as the "Website").
- 11. At all times relevant to this lawsuit, the Infringement has depicted and depicts the original source publication as the Las Vegas *Review-Journal*.

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- 12. The subject matter, at least in part, of the Work and the Infringement, is the alleged magnification of sunlight caused by Vdara Hotel, located in Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 13. At all times relevant to this lawsuit, IHMC knew that the Work was originally published in the Las Vegas Review-Journal.
- 14. At all times relevant to this lawsuit, IHMC knew that the Infringement was and is of specific interest to Nevada residents.
- 15. IHMC's display of the Infringement was and is purposefully directed at Nevada residents.

## **VENUE**

- 16. The United States District Court for the District of Nevada is an appropriate venue, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(2), because a substantial part of the events giving rise to the claim for relief are situated in Nevada.
- 17. The United States District Court for the District of Nevada is an appropriate venue, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(c), because IHMC is subject to personal jurisdiction in Nevada.
- 18. The United States District Court for the District of Nevada is an appropriate venue, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1400 (a), because IHMC is subject to personal jurisdiction in Nevada.

### **FACTS**

- 19. The Work constitutes copyrightable subject matter, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 102(a)(1).
  - 20. Righthaven is the owner of the copyright in and to the Work.
  - 21. The Work was originally published on or about September 25, 2010.
- 22. On October 6, 2010, the United States Copyright Office (the "USCO") received Righthayen's official submittal for the registration to the Work, including the application, the deposit copy, and the registration fee (the "Complete Application"), Service Request No. 1-

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498243753, and attached hereto as Exhibit 3 is the official USCO application submittal for the Work depicting the occurrence of the Complete Application.

- 23. On or about September 29, 2010, IHMC displayed, and continues to display, the Infringement on the Website.
- 24. At all times relevant to this lawsuit, the "About Us" page of the Website redirects users to IHMC's home page found at the Internet Domain: <ihmc.ca> (the "IHMC Domain").
- 25. IHMC did not seek permission, in any manner, to reproduce, display, or otherwise exploit the Work.
- 26. IHMC was not granted permission, in any manner, to reproduce, display, or otherwise exploit the Work.

# CLAIM FOR RELIEF: COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT

- 27. Righthaven repeats and realleges the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 26 above.
- 28. Righthaven holds the exclusive right to reproduce the Work, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 106(1).
- 29. Righthaven holds the exclusive right to prepare derivative works based upon the Work, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 106(2).
- 30. Righthaven holds the exclusive right to distribute copies of the Work, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 106(3).
- 31. Righthaven holds the exclusive right to publicly display the Work, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 106(5).
- IHMC reproduced the Work in derogation of Righthaven's exclusive rights under 32. 17 U.S.C. § 106(1).
- 33. IHMC created an unauthorized derivative of the Work in derogation of Righthaven's exclusive rights under 17 U.S.C. § 106(2).

- 34. IHMC distributed, and continues to distribute, an unauthorized reproduction of the Work on the Website, in derogation of Righthaven's exclusive rights under 17 U.S.C. § 106(3).
- 35. IHMC publicly displayed, and continues to publicly display, an unauthorized reproduction of the Work on the Website, in derogation of Righthaven's exclusive rights under 17 U.S.C. § 106(5).
  - 36. IHMC has willfully engaged in the copyright infringement of the Work.
- 37. IHMC's acts as alleged herein, and the ongoing direct results of those acts, have caused and will continue to cause irreparable harm to Righthaven in an amount Righthaven cannot ascertain, leaving Righthaven with no adequate remedy at law.
- 38. Unless IHMC is preliminarily and permanently enjoined from further infringement of the Work, Righthaven will be irreparably harmed, and Righthaven is thus entitled to preliminary and permanent injunctive relief against further infringement by IHMC of the Work, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 502.

# PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Righthaven requests that this Court grant Righthaven's claim for relief herein as follows:

- 1. Preliminarily and permanently enjoin and restrain IHMC, and IHMC's officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, parents, subsidiaries, related companies, partners, and all persons acting for, by, with, through, or under IHMC, from directly or indirectly infringing the Work by reproducing the Work, preparing derivative works based on the Work, distributing the Work to the public, and/or displaying the Work, or ordering, directing, participating in, or assisting in any such activity;
- 2. Direct IHMC to preserve, retain, and deliver to Righthaven in hard copies or electronic copies:
  - a. All evidence and documentation relating in any way to IHMC's use of the Work, in any form, including, without limitation, all such evidence and documentation relating to the Website;

- b. All evidence and documentation relating to the names and addresses (whether electronic mail addresses or otherwise) of any person with whom IHMC has communicated regarding IHMC's use of the Work; and
- c. All financial evidence and documentation relating to IHMC's use of the Work:
- 3. Direct MarkMonitor, and any successor domain name registrar for the Domain, to lock the Domain and transfer control of the Domain to Righthaven;
- 4. Award Righthaven statutory damages for the willful infringement of the Work, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(c);
- 5. Award Righthaven costs, disbursements, and attorneys' fees incurred by Righthaven in bringing this action, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 505;
- 6. Award Righthaven pre- and post-judgment interest in accordance with applicable law; and
  - 7. Grant Righthaven such other relief as this Court deems appropriate.

### **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Righthaven requests a trial by jury pursuant to Rule 38 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

Dated this twentieth day of October, 2010.

## RIGHTHAVEN LLC

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