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8	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT		
9	DISTRICT OF NEVADA		
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11	RIGHTHAVEN LLC, a Nevada limited-liability company,	Case No.: 2:1	0-cv-01836
12	company,	COMPLAIN FOR JURY '	Τ AND DEMAND ΓΓΙΑΙ
13	Plaintiff,	101100111	
14	v.		
15 16 17	STARRTRACK ELECTRONICS, INC., a corporation of unknown origin; and JERRY BACON, an individual,		
18	Defendants.		
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20	Righthaven LLC ("Righthaven") complains	as follows against Starr	Frack Electronics
21	Inc. ("StarrTrack") and Jerry Bacon ("Mr. Bacon"; collectively with StarrTrack known herein as		
22 23	the "Defendants"), on information and belief:		
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25	NATURE OF	ACTION	
26	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 limitedliability 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. StarrTrack is, and has been at all times relevant to this lawsuit, a corporation of
unknown origin.

5. Attempts to find evidence of formal organizational status in the respective Secretary of State offices of Delaware, California, Illinois, New York, Texas, Tennessee, and Nevada demonstrate that, at least with respect to these states StarrTrack is not a formally organized business entity.

6. StarrTrack is, and has been at all times relevant to this lawsuit, identified by the current registrar, GoDaddy.com, Inc. ("GoDaddy"), as the registrant for the Internet domain found at <explorethelaw.com> (the "Domain").

7. StarrTrack is, and has been at all times relevant to this lawsuit, identified by the current registrar, GoDaddy, as an administrative contact and technical contact for the Domain (the content accessible through the Domain and the Domain itself known herein as the "Website").

8. Mr. Bacon is, and has been at all times relevant to this lawsuit, identified by the current registrar, GoDaddy, as an administrative contact and technical contact for the Domain.

JURISDICTION

9. 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).

10. Righthaven is the owner of the copyright in the literary work entitled: "LV Lawyers leave their mark on 'The Defenders'" (the "Work"), attached hereto as Exhibit 1.
11. At all times relevant to this lawsuit, the Work has depicted and depicts the original source publication as the Las Vegas *Review-Journal*.

12. The Defendants willfully copied, on an unauthorized basis, a substantial and significant portion of the Work from a source emanating from Nevada.

13. On or about September 22, 2010, the Defendants displayed, and continue to display, an unauthorized reproduction of the Work (the "Infringement"), attached hereto as Exhibit 2, on the Website.

14. The subject matter, at least in part, of the Work and the Infringement, is a new television series that is based on two lawyers from Las Vegas, Nevada.

15. At all times relevant to this lawsuit, the Defendants knew that the Work was originally published in the Las Vegas *Review-Journal*.

16. At all times relevant to this lawsuit, the Defendants knew that the Infringement was and is of specific interest to Nevada residents.

17. The Defendants' display of the Infringement was and is purposefully directed at Nevada residents.

VENUE

18. 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.

19. The United States District Court for the District of Nevada is an appropriate venue, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1400(a), because the Defendants are subject to personal jurisdiction in Nevada.

FACTS

20. The Work constitutes copyrightable subject matter, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. §
102(a)(1).
21. Righthaven is the owner of the copyright in and to the Work.

22. The Work was originally published on September 22, 2010.

23. On October 20, 2010, the United State Copyright Office (the "USCO") received 1 Righthaven's official submittal for the registration of the Work including the application, the 2 deposit copy, and the registration fee (the "Complete Application"), Service Request No. 1-3 505823716, attached hereto as Exhibit 3. 4 24. On or about September 22, 2010, the Defendants displayed, and continue to 5 display, the Infringement on the Website. 6 25. The Defendants did not seek permission, in any manner, to reproduce, display, or 7 otherwise exploit the Work. 8 26. The Defendants were not granted permission, in any manner, to reproduce, 9 display, or otherwise exploit the Work. 10 11 **CLAIM FOR RELIEF: COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT** 12 27. Righthaven repeats and realleges the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 13 26 above. 14 28. Righthaven holds the exclusive right to reproduce the Work, pursuant to 17 15 U.S.C. § 106(1). 16 29. Righthaven holds the exclusive right to prepare derivative works based upon the 17 Work, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 106(2). 18 30. Righthaven holds the exclusive right to distribute copies of the Work, pursuant to 19 17 U.S.C. § 106(3). 20 31. Righthaven holds the exclusive right to publicly display the Work, pursuant to 17 21 U.S.C. § 106(5). 22 The Defendants reproduced the Work in derogation of Righthaven's exclusive 32. 23 rights under 17 U.S.C. § 106(1). 24 33. The Defendants created an unauthorized derivative of the Work in derogation of 25 Righthaven's exclusive rights under 17 U.S.C. § 106(2). 26 27 28

34. The Defendants distributed, and continue 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. The Defendants publicly displayed, and continue 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. StarrTrack has willfully engaged in the copyright infringement of the Work.

37. Mr. Bacon has willfully engaged in the copyright infringement of the Work.

38. The Defendants' 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.

39. Unless the Defendants are 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 the Defendants 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 the Defendants, and the Defendants' officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, parents, subsidiaries, related companies, partners, and all persons acting for, by, with, through, or under the Defendants, 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 the Defendants to preserve, retain, and deliver to Righthaven in hard copies or electronic copies:

All evidence and documentation relating in any way to the Defendants' a. 1 use of the Work, in any form, including, without limitation, all such evidence and 2 documentation relating to the Website; 3 b. All evidence and documentation relating to the names and addresses 4 (whether electronic mail addresses or otherwise) of any person with whom the 5 Defendants have communicated regarding the Defendants' use of the Work; and 6 All financial evidence and documentation relating to the Defendants' use c. 7 of the Work; 8 3. Direct GoDaddy, the current registrar, and any successor domain name registrar 9 for the Domain to lock the Domain and transfer control of the Domain to Righthaven; 10 4. Award Righthaven statutory damages for the willful infringement of the Work, 11 pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(c); 12 5. Award Righthaven costs, disbursements, and attorneys' fees incurred by 13 Righthaven in bringing this action, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 505; 14 6. Award Righthaven pre- and post-judgment interest in accordance with applicable 15 law; and 16 7. Grant Righthaven such other relief as this Court deems appropriate. 17 18 **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL** 19 Righthaven requests a trial by jury pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 38. 20 Dated this twentieth day of October, 2010. 21 22 **RIGHTHAVEN LLC** 23 By: /s/ Joseph C. Chu J. CHARLES COONS, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 10553 24 25 JOSEPH C. CHU, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 11082 9960 West Cheyenne Avenue, Suite 210 26 Las Vegas, Nevada 89129-7701 27 Attorneys for Plaintiff 28