#### Case 3:18-cv-06977-JSC Document 28 Filed 03/19/19 Page 1 of 23 1 Megan O'Neill (Bar No. 220147) moneill@willenken.com 2 WILLENKEN WILSON LOH & DELGADO LLP 2 Embarcadero Center, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor 3 San Francisco, CA 94111 Telephone: (415) 830-5740 4 Facsimile: (213) 955-9250 5 Jeffrey A. Lindenbaum (admitted pro hac vice) 6 ilindenbaum@collenip.com **COLLEN IP** 7 The Holyoke-Manhattan Building 80 South Highland Avenue 8 Ossining, NY 10562 9 Telephone: (914) 941-5668 Facsimile: (914) 941-6091 10 Attorneys for Defendant and Counterclaimant 11 YVES SAINT LAURENT AMERICA, INC. 12 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 13 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 14 15 LEVI STRAUSS & CO., a Delaware Case No.: 3:18-cv-06977-JSC corporation, 16 **DEFENDANT'S FIRST AMENDED** Plaintiff, **COUNTERCLAIMS** 17 **JURY TRIAL DEMANDED** 18 v. 19 YVES SAINT LAURENT AMERICA, INC., a New York corporation, Assigned to the Hon. Jacqueline Scott Corley 20 Defendant. 21 22 YVES SAINT LAURENT AMERICA, INC., a 23 New York corporation, 24 Counterclaimant, 25 v. 26 LEVI STRAUSS & CO., a Delaware

Counterdefendant.

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1	Defendant and Counterclaimant Yves Saint Laurent America, Inc. ("YSL America"), for			
2	its first amended counterclaims states as follows:			
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4	COUNTERCLAIMS			
5	FACTS COMMON TO YSL AMERICA'S COUNTERCLAIMS			
6	1. YSL America hereby asserts the following Counterclaims against Levi Strauss &			
7	Co. ("Levi Strauss").			
8	2. YSL America incorporates by reference Paragraphs 1-53 of its Answer and its			
9	Affirmative Defenses [Dkt. 12] into these Amended Counterclaims.			
10	3. These Counterclaims arise out of the same series of transactions and events as series			
11	forth in Levi Strauss' Complaint [Dkt. 1].			
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13	<u>PARTIES</u>			
14	4. Defendant and Counterclaim Plaintiff YSL America is a New York corporation			
15	headquartered at 3 East 57th Street, New York, New York 10022.			
16	5. Upon information and belief, Plaintiff and Counterclaim Defendant Levi Strauss			
17	is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business at Levi's Plaza, 1155 Battery			
18	Street, San Francisco, California 94111.			
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20	JURISDICTION AND VENUE			
21	6. This is an action for declaratory relief brought pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and			
22	2022 and the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1114(1)(a), 1125(a) and 1125(c) and for cancellation of			
23	registrations. This Court has jurisdiction over these counterclaims pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1119			
24	and 1121, 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338 as an actual and justiciable controversy exists between			
25	the parties.			
26	7. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Levi Strauss by virtue of its filing of the			
27	Complaint and appearing in this Action, and because it is a resident of this district and sells and			
28	advertises its products in this judicial district.			

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1	8. Venue is proper under 28 U.S.C. § 1391 because Levi Strauss does business in
2	this district and a substantial part of the conduct complained of herein occurred in this district.
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4	BACKGROUND
5	9. YSL America offers for sale and distributes clothing and related goods bearing
6	the SAINT LAURENT and SAINT LAURENT PARIS trademarks, among others (collectively,
7	the "SAINT LAURENT Trademarks"), in the United States, on behalf of the Saint Laurent
8	Fashion House ("Saint Laurent").
9	10. All of the SAINT LAURENT Trademarks are federally registered in the United
10	States, and are famous, valid, subsisting, and un-cancelled trademark registrations.
11	11. Saint Laurent was founded in 1961 by designer Yves Saint Laurent and his patron
12	Pierre Bergé. Saint Laurent is a luxury fashion house known for designing men's and women's
13	ready-to-wear clothing and shoes, as well as accessories such as handbags, jewelry, and eyewear
14	among other goods and services.
15	12. Saint Laurent is among the world's leading fashion houses and is known
16	throughout the world for innovative and trend-setting ready-to-wear clothing, shoes and fashion
17	accessories. Saint Laurent's designs are among the most sought-after in the fashion industry. For
18	over fifty years, Saint Laurent has pioneered fashion with groundbreaking and iconic designs,
19	which are routinely showcased by top celebrities and style icons. This tradition continues
20	strongly into the present day with Saint Laurent's association with celebrities such as Kate Moss
21	Zoe Kravitz, Charlotte Gainsbourg, Travis Scott, Timothée Chalamet, and many others.
22	13. The clothing and related goods sold by YSL America all prominently feature one
23	or more of the SAINT LAURENT Trademarks.
24	14. All products bearing the SAINT LAURENT Trademarks are identified and
25	recognized as originating exclusively from Saint Laurent by virtue of the use of these marks.
26	15. The SAINT LAURENT Trademarks are featured prominently in advertisements
27	that regularly appear in nationally-circulating magazines and seen by hundreds of millions of

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16. In addition to Saint Laurent's own advertising bearing the SAINT LAURENT Trademarks, the SAINT LAURENT Trademarks have garnered and continue to reap significant unsolicited media coverage in the United States. Products bearing the SAINT LAURENT Trademarks have been featured in various U.S. publications, including Vogue, Vanity Fair, Elle, Women's Wear Daily, GQ Magazine, the New York Times, T Magazine, WSJ Magazine, Interview, New York Magazine, Harper's BAZAAR, V, V Man, and W Magazine, among others.

17. Clothing designs bearing the SAINT LAURENT Trademarks are featured in fashion editorials and are often credited with forecasting the upcoming seasons for women's ready-to-wear apparel.

#### The Parties' Dispute

18. On or about July 2018, Saint Laurent began selling denim products (the "Saint Laurent Jeans") bearing a decorative, leather-like strip located on the *right* side of the right rear pocket, as depicted below:





19. Pocket ornaments, such as the decorative, leather-like strip found on the Saint Laurent Jeans, as well as many other types of tabs, flags, labels, markers and patches, are ubiquitous, including in the clothing industry and within the realm of denim; absent other source

indicia, are nothing more than common or basic design elements generally not viewed by relevant consumers as a trademark under 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, and 1127, but rather are only seen as purely ornamental decorative elements incapable of trademark significance.

- 20. YSL America sells the Saint Laurent Jeans through Saint Laurent's e-commerce website, <a href="www.ysl.com">www.ysl.com</a> and at its own luxury boutique stores. They are also available for sale at high-end department stores, such as Nordstrom's, Bergdorf Goodman, and Barney's, and at luxury boutiques and specialty retailers, often in a separate section of the store prominently branded with the SAINT LAURENT Trademarks.
  - 21. The Saint Laurent Jeans retail for between \$550 and \$2,590 per pair.
- 22. The Saint Laurent Jeans also prominently feature the SAINT LAURENT Trademarks, both on the actual products, and on hangtags attached to the Saint Laurent Jeans at the point-of-sale, causing customers to immediately understand that the Saint Laurent Jeans originate exclusively from Saint Laurent by virtue of the use of these marks.

#### The Scope of Levi Strauss' Rights; Third Party Uses

- 23. In their complaint [Dkt. 1], Levi Strauss provides a broad identification of its "Tab" trademark (the "Tab trademark"), saying that it consists of "a textile marker or other material sewn into one of the regular structural seams of the garment." [Dkt. 1,  $\P$  9].
- 24. Levi Strauss also identifies eight different federal trademark registrations, and one state registration, which allegedly show the Tab trademark. [Dkt. 1, ¶ 11]. These registrations are all identified as representing "a textile marker or other material sewn into one of the regular structural seams of the garment."
- 25. These registrations show designs containing the LEVI'S trademark (*e.g.* Reg. No. 516,561); designs with no markings (*e.g.* Reg. No. 356,701); designs featuring a pocket ornament located on the seam of a plain pants pocket (*e.g.* Reg. No. 1,157,769); and designs featuring a pocket ornament on the seam of pants pockets containing decorative stitching (*e.g.* Reg. No. 2,791,156). Levi Strauss also identifies the Tab trademark as representing a design featuring a pocket ornament on a *shirt* pocket as well (Reg. No. 2,726,253).

- 26. This Court has previously ruled that the scope of the Levi Strauss registrations allegedly directed toward the Tab trademark are "limited by material, location, type of garment, and relative size." See Levi Strauss & Co. v. GTFM, Inc., 196 F. Supp. 2d 971, 981 (N.D. Cal. 2002). This Court also found that the Levi Strauss registrations for the Tab trademark were specific as to color, or the "location of the tab on a left structural seam of a right rear patch pocket" and that "the words of the registrations, taken in conjunction with the drawings, provide clear notice of the scope of the [Tab trademark]." <u>Id</u>.
- 27. One consistency between these varied and wide-ranging registrations, on information and belief, is that when the Tab trademark is represented as a pocket ornament, such pocket ornament is always affixed to the *left* structural seam of said pocket.
- 28. On information and belief, virtually all of Levi Strauss' uses of the Tab trademark consist of a pocket ornament affixed to the left structural seam of a pocket.
- 29. On information and belief, most of Levi Strauss' uses of the Tab trademark, by a considerable margin, consist of a red pocket ornament affixed to the left structural seam of a pocket.
- 30. Levi Strauss is not the exclusive user of flag-type ornaments on products, including flag-type pocket ornaments on clothing.
- 31. Even in the garment industry, consumers regularly encounter decorative pocket ornaments sold by a large number of third party users, which coexist with Levi Strauss' Tab trademark in the marketplace.
- 32. For example, Levi Strauss is currently involved in a dispute with the large clothing brand Barbour, whereby Barbour is claiming to have been using the below pocket ornament without objection from Levi Strauss for at least 18 years, without experiencing consumer confusion:

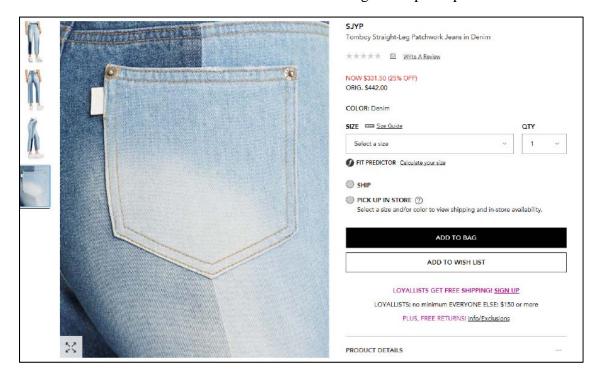
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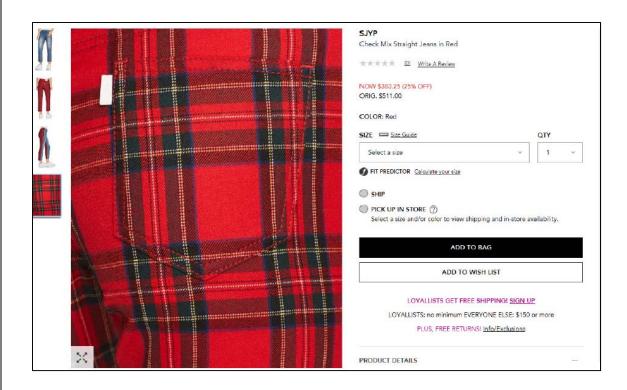




See Complaint for Declaratory Judgment, ¶19, J. Barbour & Sons Ltd., et al v. Levi Strauss & Co., 1:18-cv-05195 (S.D.N.Y.) (June 9, 2018).

33. Another coexisting third-party use of a pocket ornament is found on denim products sold by the clothing brand SJYP. As depicted below, SJYP sells jeans bearing a white pocket ornament affixed to the "left structural seam of a right rear patch pocket":





These SJYP jeans are available online and in stores throughout the United States, including at Bloomingdale's, Net-A-Porter, and Farfetch.

34. Among the many third-party uses of such pocket ornaments include the brands G.H. Bass & Co., DKNY, Tommy Hilfiger, Nautica, Vigoss, Paul Smith, Stussy, and Carhartt, as depicted below:





### **DKNY**



## **Tommy Hilfiger**



# Nautica



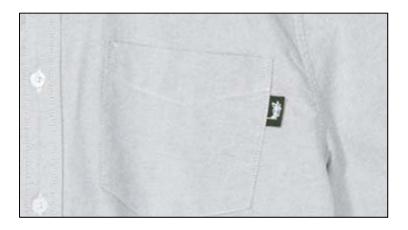
# Vigoss



## **Paul Smith**



# Stussy



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Carhartt



35. Other pocket ornaments on the market are fully sewn in the structural seam of the pocket, such as those shown below, made by Miller International Inc.:





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Upon information and belief, Levi Strauss has consented to the use of the above pocket ornament by Miller International, Inc.

- 36. Further examples of third-party uses of pocket ornaments, all of which on information and belief coexist with Levi Strauss' Tab trademark in the marketplace, are enclosed as Exhibit A. On information and belief, these third-party uses include products offered by major brands, and are widely available to prospective customers.
- 37. With the presence of so many pocket ornaments in the marketplace, consumers coming across such pocket ornaments will undoubtedly generally view them as common, basic and generic design elements which do not function as a trademark under 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, and 1127. Due to the ubiquitous nature of these pocket ornaments, consumers understand these design elements as purely ornamental structures incapable of trademark significance.

## **Differences between the Parties Respective Designs**

- 38. In addition to the common use of pocket ornaments in the marketplace, there are differences in the parties' respective pocket ornaments, products, and consumers, which eliminate any possibility of confusion.
- 39. The Saint Laurent pocket ornament is located on the right structural seam of a pants pocket, while the Levi Strauss Tab trademark, upon information and belief, always includes a pocket ornament affixed to the left structural seam of a pocket.
- 40. The Saint Laurent pocket ornament is made of a relatively thick, leather-like material, while, upon information and belief, the Levi Strauss pocket ornament characteristically uses only woven natural or synthetic fibers.
- 41. The Saint Laurent pocket ornament is never used in red while, upon information and belief, most of Levi Strauss' uses of the Tab trademark, by a considerable margin, consist of a red pocket ornament, which upon information and belief, is the only color that consumers may associate as a trademark of Levi Strauss.
  - 42. The Saint Laurent Jeans are most often offered for sale at Saint Laurent's own

stores and at high-end Saint Laurent boutiques within department stores such as Nordstrom's, Bergdorf Goodman, and Barney's.

- 43. The Saint Laurent Jeans retail for between \$550 and \$2,590 per pair, which makes it unlikely that the Saint Laurent Jeans are impulse purchases made hastily by consumers, but rather these jeans are being sold to highly informed consumers who are exercising great care, and understand exactly what they are buying and for what reason, and from whom. On the other hand, Levi Strauss jeans bearing the Tab trademark can be found for under \$20.
- 44. The Saint Laurent Jeans are always sold with clear markings featuring the Saint Laurent Trademarks that would allow consumers to immediately recognize the Saint Laurent Jeans as originating from Saint Laurent.
- 45. Levi Strauss' products include other indicia of source that are used in close proximity to its Tab trademark, such as its arcuate stitching on its pockets, and the Levi's waistband jacron patch.
- 46. On information and belief, there has been no confusion between the parties' respective designs.

# **CLAIMS FOR RELIEF**

### **COUNT I**

# Declaration of No Trademark Infringement under Federal or California Law

- 47. YSL America hereby realleges each allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs, as if fully set forth herein.
- 48. In filing this Complaint, and in its correspondence with YSL America both before and after the filing of this Complaint, Levi Strauss has alleged that the Saint Laurent Jeans infringe upon the Levi Strauss Tab trademark by virtue of the Saint Laurent Jeans containing a non-red leather-like strip on the right structural seam of its right rear pocket.
- 49. YSL America denies that its sale of the Saint Laurent Jeans infringes on Levi Strauss' rights in the Tab trademark.
  - 50. The use of a non-red leather-like strip on the right structural seam of the right rear

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pocket of the Saint Laurent Jeans is not confusingly similar to the Tab trademark, and consumers are not likely to be misled or confused as to the source of the parties' respective goods.

- 51. Upon information and belief, unadorned pocket ornaments, including the marks asserted by Levi Strauss in this action, have generally become or have always been common or generic elements, not recognized by consumers as an indicator of source of the product bearing such ornaments. A pocket ornament of this nature is a common, basic and generic design element which does not function as a trademark and generally is not viewed by relevant consumers as a trademark under 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, and 1127, but rather, is only recognized by consumers as purely ornamental, decorative element, or other non-source indicating element, incapable of performing a trademark function or acting as a trademark to denote source or origin of the products bearing the pocket ornament.
- 52. Levi Strauss' allegations of infringement against YSL America have and will continue to harm YSL America until such claims are resolved.
- 53. Based on the foregoing, an actual case or controversy exists with respect to Levi Strauss' allegations that Saint Laurent is committing acts of trademark infringement with respect to its Tab trademark and with respect to the validity and enforceability of Levi Strauss' alleged trademark(s).
- 54. Accordingly, YSL America is seeking a judgment declaring that its use of a nonred leather-like strip on the right structural seam of the right rear pocket of the Saint Laurent Jeans is not confusingly similar to the Tab trademark, and cannot infringe Levi Strauss' generic ornament, that YSL America has not engaged in any acts of trademark infringement relating to its sale of the Saint Laurent Jeans, and that Levi Strauss is not entitled to any injunctive, monetary, or any other relief based on said conduct by YSL America.

#### **COUNT II**

### Declaration of No Unfair Competition under Federal or California Law by YSL America

55. YSL America hereby realleges each allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs, as if fully set forth herein.

- 56. In filing this Complaint, and in its correspondence with YSL America both before and after the filing of this Complaint, Levi Strauss has alleged that YSL America's sale of the Saint Laurent Jeans constitutes unfair competition with respect to Levi Strauss Tab trademark by virtue of the Saint Laurent Jeans containing a non-red leather-like strip on the right structural seam of its right rear pocket.
- 57. YSL America denies that its sale of the Saint Laurent Jeans constitutes an act of unfair competition relating to Levi Strauss' rights in the Tab trademark.
- 58. The use of a non-red leather-like strip on the right structural seam of the right rear pocket of the Saint Laurent Jeans is not confusingly similar to the Tab trademark, and consumers are not likely to be misled or confused as to the source of the parties' respective goods.
- 59. Upon information and belief, unadorned pocket ornaments, including the marks asserted by Levi Strauss in this action, have generally become or have always been common or generic elements, not recognized by consumers as an indicator of source of the product bearing such ornaments. A pocket ornament of this nature is a common, basic and generic design element which does not function as a trademark and generally not viewed by relevant consumers as a trademark under 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, and 1127, but rather, is only recognized by consumers as purely ornamental, decorative element, or other non-source indicating element, incapable of performing a trademark function or acting as a trademark to denote source or origin of the products bearing the pocket ornament.
- 60. Levi Strauss' allegations of unfair competition against YSL America have and will continue to harm YSL America until such claims are resolved.
- 61. Based on the foregoing, an actual case or controversy exists with respect to Levi Strauss' allegations that Saint Laurent is committing acts of unfair competition with respect to its Tab trademark and with respect to the validity and enforceability of Levi Strauss' alleged trademark(s).
- 62. Accordingly, YSL America is seeking a judgment declaring that its use of a non-red leather-like strip on the right structural seam of the right rear pocket of the Saint Laurent

  Jeans is not confusingly similar to the Tab trademark, and cannot infringe Levi Strauss' generic

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2	of the Saint Laurent Jeans, and that Levi Strauss is not entitled to any injunctive, monetary, or			
3	any other relief based on said conduct by YSL America.			
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5		COUNT III		
6	Declaration of No Dilution under Federal or California Law by YSL America			
7	63.	YSL America hereby realleges each allegation contained in the foregoing		
8	paragraphs, a	s if fully set forth herein.		
9	64.	In filing this Complaint, and in its correspondence with YSL America both before		
10	and after the	filing of this Complaint, Levi Strauss has alleged that YSL America's sale of the		
11	Saint Lauren	Jeans constitutes dilution of Levi Strauss Tab trademark by virtue of the Saint		
12	Laurent Jeans	s containing a non-red leather-like strip on the right structural seam of its right rear		
13	pocket.			
14	65.	YSL America denies that its sale of the Saint Laurent Jeans constitutes an act of		
15	dilution relat	ing to Levi Strauss' rights in the Tab trademark.		

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- 66. The use of a non-red leather-like strip on the right structural seam of the right rear pocket of the Saint Laurent Jeans does not blur the distinction, if any, that consumers associate between the Tab trademark and Levi Strauss, and will not tarnish the Tab trademark.
- 67. Upon information and belief, unadorned pocket ornaments, including the marks asserted by Levi Strauss in this action, have generally become or have always been common or generic elements, not recognized by consumers as an indicator of source of the product bearing such ornaments. A pocket ornament of this nature is a common, basic and generic design element which does not function as a trademark and generally not viewed by relevant consumers as a trademark under 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, and 1127, but rather, is only recognized by consumers as purely ornamental, decorative element, or other non-source indicating element, incapable of performing a trademark function or acting as a trademark to denote source or origin of the products bearing the pocket ornament.

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- 68. Levi Strauss' allegations of dilution against YSL America have and will continue to harm YSL America until such claims are resolved.
- 69. Based on the foregoing, an actual case or controversy exists with respect to Levi Strauss' allegations that YSL America's sale of the Saint Laurent Jeans is diluting Levi Strauss's Tab trademark, and with respect to the validity and enforceability of Levi Strauss' alleged trademark(s).
- 70. Accordingly, YSL America is seeking a judgment declaring that its use of a nonred leather-like strip on the right structural seam of the right rear pocket of the Saint Laurent Jeans is not diluting Levi Strauss' rights in the Tab trademark, that it cannot infringe rights in a generic designation, and that Levi Strauss is not entitled to any injunctive, monetary, or any other relief based on said conduct by YSL America.

### COUNT IV

### Cancellation of U.S. Registration No. 1,157,769

- 71. YSL America hereby realleges each allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs, as if fully set forth herein.
- 72. This claim is for cancellation of Levi Strauss' U.S. Trademark Registration No. 1,157,769 pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1051, 1064 and 1119.
- 73. Upon information and belief, unadorned pocket ornaments, including the marks asserted by Levi Strauss in this action, have generally become or have always been common or generic elements, not recognized by consumers as an indicator of source of the product bearing such ornaments. A pocket ornament of this nature is a common, basic and generic design element which does not function as a trademark and generally not viewed by relevant consumers as a trademark under 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, and 1127, but rather, is only recognized by consumers as purely ornamental, decorative element, or other non-source indicating element, incapable of performing a trademark function or acting as a trademark to denote source or origin of the products bearing the pocket ornament.
  - 74. Levi Strauss' Tab trademark registered under U.S. Trademark Registration No.

1	1,157,769 is invalid because the design does not function as a trademark and/or is generic.			
2	75. The continued existence of U.S. Trademark Registration No. 1,157,769 damages			
3	and injures YSL America.			
4	76. Accordingly, YSL seeks cancellation.			
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6	<u>COUNT V</u>			
7	Cancellation of U.S. Registration No. 774,625			
8	77. YSL America hereby realleges each allegation contained in the foregoing			
9	paragraphs, as if fully set forth herein.			
10	78. This claim is for cancellation of Levi Strauss' U.S. Trademark Registration No.			
11	774,625 pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1051, 1064 and 1119.			
12	79. Upon information and belief, unadorned pocket ornaments, including the marks			
13	asserted by Levi Strauss in this action, have generally become or have always been common or			
14	generic elements, not recognized by consumers as an indicator of source of the product bearing			
15	such ornaments. A pocket ornament of this nature is a common, basic and generic design			
16	element which does not function as a trademark and generally is not viewed by relevant			
17	consumers as a trademark under 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, and 1127, but rather, is only			
18	recognized by consumers as purely ornamental, decorative element, or other non-source			
19	indicating element, incapable of performing a trademark function or acting as a trademark to			
20	denote source or origin of the products bearing the pocket ornament.			
21	80. Levi Strauss' Tab trademark registered under U.S. Trademark Registration No.			
22	774,625 is invalid because the design does not function as a trademark and/or is generic.			
23	81. The continued existence of U.S. Trademark Registration No. 774,625 damages			
24	and injures YSL America.			
25	82. Accordingly, YSL seeks Cancellation.			
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1	<u>COUNT VI</u>			
2	Cancellation of U.S. Registration No. 2,726,253			
3	83. YSL America hereby realleges each allegation contained in the foregoing			
4	paragraphs, as if fully set forth herein.			
5	84. This claim is for cancellation of Levi Strauss' U.S. Trademark Registration No.			
6	2,726,253 pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1051, 1064 and 1119.			
7	85. Upon information and belief, unadorned pocket ornaments, including the marks			
8	asserted by Levi Strauss in this action, have generally become or have always been common or			
9	generic elements, not recognized by consumers as an indicator of source of the product bearing			
10	such ornaments. A pocket ornament of this nature is a common, basic and generic design			
11	element which does not function as a trademark and generally is not viewed by relevant			
12	consumers as a trademark under 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, and 1127, but rather, is only			
13	recognized by consumers as purely ornamental, decorative element, or other non-source			
14	indicating element, incapable of performing a trademark function or acting as a trademark to			
15	denote source or origin of the products bearing the pocket ornament.			
16	86. Levi Strauss' Tab trademark registered under U.S. Trademark Registration No.			
17	2,726,253 is invalid because the design does not function as a trademark and/or is generic.			
18	87. The continued existence of U.S. Trademark Registration No. 2,726,253 damage			
19	and injures YSL America.			
20	88. Accordingly, YSL seeks Cancellation.			
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22	COUNT VII			
23	Cancellation of California Registration No. 52312			
24	89. YSL America hereby realleges each allegation contained in the foregoing			
25	paragraphs, as if fully set forth herein.			
26	90. This claim is for cancellation of Levi Strauss' California Registration No. 52312			
27	pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1119 and Cal. Bus. and Prof. Code Art. 6, § 14230 and common law.			
28	91. Upon information and belief, unadorned pocket ornaments, including the marks			

1	1 asserted by Levi Strauss in this action, have gene	erally become or have always been common or				
2	generic elements, not recognized by consumers as an indicator of source of the product bearing					
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5	5 consumers as a trademark under BPC Section 14	consumers as a trademark under BPC Section 14230(c)(5) NS BPC Section 14230(d), but rather,				
6	6 is only recognized by consumers as purely ornar	is only recognized by consumers as purely ornamental, decorative element, or other non-source				
7	7 indicating element, incapable of performing a tra	indicating element, incapable of performing a trademark function or acting as a trademark to				
8	8 denote source or origin of the products bearing t	he pocket ornament.				
9	9 92. Levi Strauss' Tab trademark regi	stered under California Registration No.52312 is				
10	invalid because the design does not function as a	trademark and/or is generic.				
11	11 93. The continued existence of Califo	ornia Registration No.52312 damages and injures				
12	12 YSL America.					
13	13 94. Accordingly, YSL seeks Cancella	ation.				
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15	15 <b>DEMAND FOI</b>	R JURY TRIAL				
16	In accordance with Rule 38 of the Federa	al Rules of Civil Procedure, YSL America				
17	17 respectfully demands a jury trial of all issues tria	respectfully demands a jury trial of all issues triable to a jury in this action.				
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19	19 PRAYER F	OR RELIEF				
20	WHEREFORE, YSL America respectful	WHEREFORE, YSL America respectfully requests that this Court enter judgment in its				
21	favor and against Levi Strauss and grant the follo	owing relief:				
22	A. Dismissal of Levi Strauss' Comp	laint with Prejudice; and				
23	B. A declaration that YSL America'	s sale of the Saint Laurent Jeans does not				
24	infringe on Levi Strauss' rights, i	f any, in the Tab trademark; and				
25	C. A declaration that YSL America'	s sale of the Saint Laurent Jeans does not				
26	constitute an act of unfair compet	ition with respect to Levi Strauss' rights, if any,				
27	in the Tab trademark; and					

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1	D.	A declaration t	that YSL America	's sale of the Sain	t Laurent Jeans does not dilute
2		Levi Strauss' r	rights, if any, in th	e Tab trademark;	and
3	E.	A declaration that the Tab trademark does not function as a trademark or is			
4		generic; and			
5	F.	An order enjoi	ning Levi Strauss	from pursuing an	y action against YSL America
6		relating to its s	sale of the Saint La	aurent Jeans; and	
7	G.	An order direc	ting cancellation of	of US. Reg. Nos. 1	1,157,769, 774,625, 2,726,253
8		and Cal. Reg. 1	No. 52312; and		
9	H.	An order awar	ding YSL Americ	a its attorneys' fee	es and costs relating to this
10		actions; and			
11	I.	An order grant	ting YSL America	any further and a	dditional relief that it deems
12		just and proper	r.		
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14			R	espectfully submi	tted,
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