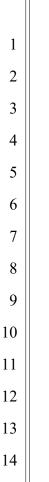
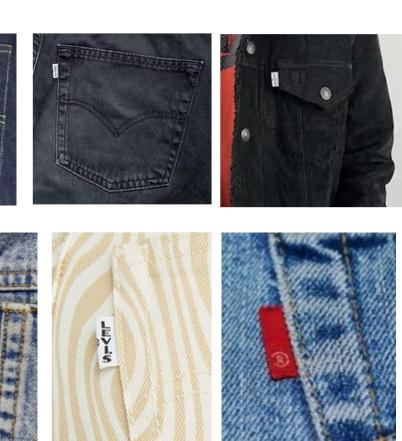
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11	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA				
12	LEVI STRAUSS & CO.,	Case No. 23-cv-04590			
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14	Plaintiff,	COMPLAINT FOR TRADEMARK INFRINGEMENT, DILUTION, AND			
15	V.	UNFAIR COMPETITION (INJUNCTIVE RELIEF SOUGHT)			
16	COPERNI UK LIMITED, JURY TRIAL DEMAND				
17	Defendant.				
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19	Plaintiff Levi Strauss & Co. ("LS&Co.") has	s been manufacturing and selling apparel for over			
20	150 years. The company's apparel production was protected as an "essential industry" during World				
21	War II, and exhibits at institutions such as the Smithsonian and Museum of Modern Art display				
22	photographs underscoring that Levi's® products are a "staple of American culture, symbolizing youth,				
23	freedom, and effortless cool."				
24	LS&Co. brands its apparel products using some of the oldest and most well-respected apparel				
25	trademarks in the world, including the Arcuate and Tab trademarks shown below. The tab is often				
26	displayed in red, but appears in all colors including prominently in white, blue, black, silver, and				
27	orange as in the examples shown below.				
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Every year, millions of jeans, shirts, jackets, skirts, and other products are sold bearing one or more of these marks. The "Arcuate" trademark (top left and top center images) was adopted in 1873 and registered in 1943. The mark appears on almost every pair of Levi's® brand jeans, as well as jackets and accessories. The "Tab" trademark (top right, and all bottom row images) appears on almost all jeans sold under the Levi's brand, and is used on shirts, jackets, and accessories. LS&Co. adopted the Tab trademark in 1936, registered in 1938, and it has at various times been used as part of the corporate logo, in retail signage and on the levi.com website as a signal for all the company's products and services. As shown above, the Tab trademark sometimes bears the famous Levi's® trademark, and sometimes bears only the ® symbol.

This lawsuit is necessary because Defendant Coperni UK Limited has misappropriated LS&Co.'s famous trademarks as symbols for its own apparel products. To stop Defendant from continuing to misuse and trade on LS&Co.'s famous trademarks, and LS&Co.'s reputation and goodwill, LS&Co. seeks preliminary and permanent injunctive relief as well as all appropriate

compensatory remedies and fees and costs necessitated by Defendant's conduct. LS&Co. complains as follows:

JURISDICTION, VENUE, AND INTRA-DISTRICT ASSIGNMENT

- 1. Plaintiff LS&Co.'s claims arise under the Trademark Act of 1946 (the Lanham Act), as amended by the Trademark Dilution Revision Act of 2006 (15 U.S.C. §§ 1051, et seq.). This Court has jurisdiction over such claims pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1338(a) and 1338(b) (trademark and unfair competition), 28 U.S.C. § 1331 (federal question) and 15 U.S.C. § 1121 (Lanham Act). This Court has supplemental jurisdiction over the remaining state law claims under 28 U.S.C. § 1367.
- 2. LS&Co. is informed and believes that venue is proper in this Court under 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b) because Defendant transacts affairs in this district and sells or distributes its infringing products and services in this district, and because a substantial part of the events giving rise to the claims asserted arose in this district.
- 3. Intra-district assignment to any division of the Northern District is proper under Local Rule 3-2(c) and the Assignment Plan of this Court as an "Intellectual Property Action."

PARTIES

- 4. LS&Co. is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business at Levi's Plaza, 1155 Battery Street, San Francisco, California 94111. Operating since approximately the 1850s, LS&Co. is one of the oldest and best-known apparel companies in the world. It manufactures, markets, and sells a variety of apparel, including its traditional Levi's® brand products.
- 5. LS&Co. is informed and believes that defendant Coperni UK Limited ("Defendant" or "Coperni") is a United Kingdom private limited company, with its principal place of business at 10 Redchurch Street, The Biscuit Building, London E2 7DD, United Kingdom.
- 6. LS&Co. is informed and believes that Coperni manufactures, distributes, advertises, and/or sells, or has manufactured, distributed, advertised, and/or sold garments, including jackets, shirts, pants, skirts, vests, and jeans, bearing marks and designs that infringe LS&Co.'s Arcuate and Tab trademarks. Defendant's infringing products and services are offered for sale and sold throughout the United States, including in this judicial district.

FACTS AND ALLEGATIONS COMMON TO ALL CLAIMS

- 7. LS&Co. marks its Levi's® brand products with trademarks that are famous around the world. For many years prior to the events giving rise to this Complaint and continuing to the present, LS&Co. annually has spent great amounts of time, money (tens and hundreds of millions of dollars per year), and effort advertising and promoting the products on which its trademarks are used and has sold hundreds of millions of these products, all over the world, accounting for billions of dollars in sales, including sales throughout the United States and in California. Through these investments and large sales, LS&Co. has created considerable goodwill and a reputation for high-quality, fashionable products. LS&Co. continuously has used these trademarks, some for well over a century, to distinguish its products. All of LS&Co.'s relevant marks were famous among the general consuming public long before Defendant began selling the products challenged in this Complaint.
- 8. Most of LS&Co.'s trademarks are federally registered; all are in full force and effect, valid and protectable, and exclusively owned by LS&Co. LS&Co. continuously has used each of its trademarks, from the registration date or earlier, until the present and during all times relevant to LS&Co.'s claims.

LS&Co.'s Tab Trademark

- 9. LS&Co. owns the famous Tab Device Trademark (the "Tab trademark"), which, in one configuration, consists of a textile marker or other material sewn into the pocket seams or one of the regular structural seams of the garment. LS&Co. uses the Tab trademark on Levi's® jeans, pants, jackets, shirts, skirts, shorts, accessories, and a variety of other clothing products.
- 10. LS&Co. began to display the Tab trademark on the rear pocket of its pants in 1936 when its then National Sales Manager, Leo Christopher Lucier, proposed placing a folded cloth ribbon in the structural seams of the rear pocket. The purpose of this "tab" was to provide "sight identification" of LS&Co.'s products. Given the distinctiveness of the Tab trademark, Mr. Lucier asserted that "no other maker of overalls can have any other purpose in putting a colored tab on an outside patch pocket, unless for the express and sole purpose of copying our mark and confusing the customer."

- 11. The Tab trademark is valid and exclusively owned by LS&Co. The Tab trademark is famous and recognized around the world and throughout the United States by consumers as signifying authentic, high-quality Levi's® garments. The Tab trademark became famous prior to Defendant's conduct that is the subject of this Complaint.
 - 12. Examples of LS&Co.'s use of its Tab trademark on Levi's®garments are shown here:



- 13. LS&Co. owns, among others, the following United States and California Registrations for its Tab trademark, attached as **Exhibit A**. The federal registrations have become incontestable under the provisions of 15 U.S.C. § 1065.
 - a. U.S. Registration No. 516,561 (first used as early as September 1, 1936; registered October 18, 1949);

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1	b. U.S. Registration No. 1,157,769 (first used as early as September 1,				
2		1936; registered June 16, 1981);			
3	c.	U.S. Registration No. 2,791,156 (first used as early as September 1,			
4		1936; registered December 9, 2003);			
5	d.	U.S. Registration No. 356,701 (first used as early as September 1, 1936;			
6		registered May 10, 1938);			
7	e.	U.S. Registration No. 577,490 (first used as early as September 1, 1936;			
8		registered July 21, 1953);			
9	f.	U.S. Registration No. 774,625 (first used as early as May 22, 1963;			
10		registered August 4, 1964);			
11	g.	U.S. Registration No. 775,412 (first used as early as October 9, 1957;			
12		registered August 18, 1964);			
13	h.	U.S. Registration No. 2,726,253 (first used as early as March 7, 1969;			
14		registered June 17, 2003);			
15	i.	U.S. Registration No. 2,620,144 (first used as early as February, 1999,			
16		registered September 17, 2002); and			
17	j.	California Registration No. 052312 (first used as early as March 7,			
18		1969; registered June 12, 1974).			
19	LS&Co.'s Arcuate Trademark				
20	15. LS&Co. also owns the famous Arcuate Stitching Design Trademark (the				
21	"Arcuate trademark"), which consists of a distinctive pocket stitching design that is the oldest				
22	known apparel trademark in the United States still in continuous use. LS&Co. has used the				
23	Arcuate trademark continuously since 1873 in interstate commerce on clothing products.				
24	LS&Co. first used the Arcuate trademark on jeans and later used it on other products as well.				
25	16. LS&Co. owns, among others, the following United States and California				
26	Registrations for its Arcuate trademark, attached as Exhibit B . The federal registrations have				
27	become incontestable under the provisions of 15 U.S.C. § 1065.				
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- U.S. Registration No. 404,248 (first used as early as 1873; registered a. November 16, 1943);
- U.S. Registration No. 1,139,254 (first used as early as 1873; registered b. September 2, 1980); and
- c. U.S. Registration No. 2,794,649 (first used as early as 1873; registered December 16, 2003).
- 17. The Arcuate trademark is valid and protectable, and exclusively owned by LS&Co. The Arcuate trademark is famous and is recognized around the world and throughout the United States by consumers as signifying authentic, high-quality LEVI'S® jeans. The Arcuate trademark became famous prior to Defendant's conduct that is the subject of this Complaint.
- 18. In addition to producing its own branded apparel, LS&Co. sometimes enters license agreements so that licensees may produce authorized products to LS&Co.'s specifications. The Arcuate trademark and Tab trademarks may be licensed for this purpose. In addition, LS&Co. often engages in collaborations with designers and other brands to produce a jointly created and sponsored item, including many designers and brands with a public image and brand equity that are highly similar to Defendant's market position.

Coperni's Infringement of LS&Co.'s Trademarks

19. Beginning at some point in the past and continuing until the present, Coperni has manufactured, promoted, and sold garments that infringe and dilute LS&Co.'s Tab trademark. Examples include these products bearing infringing tabs (the "Coperni Tabs"):

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20. Additionally, Coperni has manufactured, marketed, and/or sold products bearing copies of LS&Co.'s Arcuate trademark. Examples include these products bearing infringing stitching design (the "Coperni Stitching Design"):





- 21. In particular, LS&Co. is informed and believes that Coperni has manufactured, sourced, marketed, and/or sold substantial quantities of garments bearing the Coperni Tabs and Coperni Stitching Design (collectively, the "Coperni Infringements") that are highly similar to LS&Co.'s Arcuate trademark and Tab trademark and are likely to confuse consumers about the source of Coperni's products and/or a relationship between Coperni and LS&Co.
- 22. Additionally, LS&Co. is informed and believes that Coperni sells the Coperni Infringements alongside unauthorized "reworked" versions of LS&Co.'s authentic apparel

products, retaining the Arcuate trademark and Tab trademark in a manner that is likely to confuse consumers about the source of Coperni's products and/or a relationship between Coperni and LS&Co. Examples of these unauthorized "reworked" products bearing LS&Co.'s Arcuate trademark and Tab trademark follow (these products constitute infringement and dilution of LS&Co.'s famous trademarks as well):





- 23. LS&Co. is informed and believes that Coperni has manufactured, marketed, and sold the Coperni Infringements and reworked LS&Co.'s products and products all of which bear one or more copies of the Arcuate trademark and Tab trademark and has profited, and continues to profit from these sales.
- 24. Coperni's actions have caused and will cause LS&Co. irreparable harm for which money damages and other remedies are inadequate. Unless Coperni is restrained preliminarily and permanently by this Court, it will continue and/or expand its illegal activities and otherwise continue to cause great and irreparable damage and injury to LS&Co. by, among other things:
 - a. Depriving LS&Co. of its rights to use and control use of its trademarks and maintain its reputation with consumers, licensees and collaborators, including the exclusive use of its trademarks on products and services that LS&Co. creates, produces, licenses, and sells;
 - Creating a likelihood of confusion, mistake, and deception among consumers and the trade as to the source of the infringing products and services;

1		c. Causing the public falsely to associate LS&Co. with Coperni and/or its			
2		products and services, or vice versa;			
3		d. Causing incalculable and irreparable damage to LS&Co.'s goodwill,			
4		reputation and standing with consumers, licensees and collaborators;			
5		e. Diluting the capacity of its Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark to			
6		differentiate Levi's® products from others;			
7		f. Causing LS&Co. to lose sales of its genuine clothing products; and			
8		g. Causing others to believe that the distinctive features of the Tab			
9		trademark and Arcuate trademark may be misappropriated for their use.			
10	FIRST CLAIM				
11		<u>FEDERAL TRADEMARK INFRINGEMENT</u> (15 U.S.C. §§ 1114-1117; Lanham Act § 32)			
12	25. LS&Co. realleges and incorporates by reference each of the allegations				
13	contained in paragraphs 1 through 24 of this Complaint.				
14	26. Without LS&Co.'s consent, Defendant has used – in connection with the sale,				
15	offering for sale, distribution, or advertising of its products and services – trademarks and				
16	designs, including the stitching and pocket tab designs (examples of which are shown in this				
17	Complaint) that infringe upon LS&Co.'s registered Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark.				
18	27. Defendant's acts of willful trademark infringement have been committed with				
19	the intent to cause confusion, mistake, or deception, cause harm to LS&Co. and consumers,				
20	and are in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1114.				
21	28.	As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's infringing activities, LS&Co. is			
22	entitled to recover all of Defendant's unlawful profits and LS&Co.'s substantial damages				
23	under 15 U.S.C. 1117(a).				
24	29.	Defendant's infringement of LS&Co.'s Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark			
25	is an exceptional case and was intentional, entitling LS&Co. to treble the amount of its				
26	damages and Defendant's profits, and to an award of attorneys' fees under 15 U.S.C. §§				
27	1117(a).				
28	30.	LS&Co. is entitled to injunctive relief pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1116(a).			

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SECOND CLAIM FEDERAL UNFAIR COMPETITION (False Designation of Origin and False Description)

(15 U.S.C. § 1125(a); Lanham Act § 43(a))

- 31. LS&Co. realleges and incorporates by reference each of the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 30 of this Complaint.
- 32. Defendant's use of its infringing trademarks and designs including the stitching and pocket tab designs shown by example in this Complaint tends falsely to describe its products and services within the meaning of 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a)(1). Defendant's conduct is likely to cause confusion, mistake, or deception by or in the public as to the affiliation, connection, association, origin, sponsorship, or approval of Defendant and Defendant's products and services, to the detriment of LS&Co. and consumers in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a)(1).
- 33. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's willful infringing activities, LS&Co. is entitled to recover all of Defendant's unlawful profits and LS&Co.'s substantial damages under 15 U.S.C. § 1117(a).
- 34. Defendant's infringement of LS&Co.'s Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark is an exceptional case and was intentional, entitling LS&Co. to treble the amount of its damages and Defendant's profits, and to an award of attorneys' fees under 15 U.S.C. § 1117(a).
 - 35. LS&Co. is entitled to injunctive relief pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1116(a).

THIRD CLAIM FEDERAL DILUTION OF FAMOUS MARKS (Trademark Dilution Revision Act of 2006) (15 U.S.C. § 1125(c); Lanham Act § 43(c))

- 36. LS&Co. realleges and incorporates by reference each of the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 35 of this Complaint.
- 37. LS&Co.'s Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark are distinctive and famous within the meaning of the Trademark Dilution Revision Act of 2006, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c), and each was distinctive and famous prior to Defendant's conduct as alleged in this Complaint.
- 38. Defendant's conduct including Defendant's use of the stitching and pocket tab designs shown by example in this Complaint is likely to cause dilution of LS&Co.'s Tab

trademark and Arcuate trademark by diminishing each of their distinctiveness in violation of the Trademark Dilution Revision Act of 2006, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c).

39. LS&Co. is entitled to injunctive relief pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 1116(a) and 1125(c).

FOURTH CLAIM CALIFORNIA TRADEMARK INFRINGEMENT AND DILUTION (Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 14247)

- 40. LS&Co. realleges and incorporates by reference each of the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 39 of this Complaint.
- 41. LS&Co. owns registered and common law rights in its Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark.
- 42. Defendant is using trademarks and designs including the stitching and pocket tab designs shown by example in this Complaint that are identical or nearly identical to the Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark, without the consent of LS&Co.
- 43. LS&Co.'s Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark each became famous in California long before Defendant began using its infringing trademarks and designs.
- 44. Defendant's use of its infringing trademarks and designs is likely to cause consumer confusion about the source of Defendant's goods and services or about a relationship between LS&Co. and Defendant and is likely to dilute LS&Co.'s Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark, and each of them, in violation of California Business & Professions Code §§ 14200 et seq., and California Business & Professions Code § 14247.
- 45. Defendant infringed and diluted LS&Co.'s Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark with knowledge and intent to cause confusion, mistake, or deception.
- 46. Defendant's conduct is aggravated by that kind of willfulness, wantonness, malice, and conscious indifference to the rights and welfare of LS&Co. for which California law allows the imposition of exemplary damages.
- 47. Pursuant to California Business & Professions Code §§ 14247 and 14250, LS&Co. is entitled to injunctive relief and damages in the amount of three times Defendant's profits and three times all damages suffered by LS&Co. by reason of Defendant's

1 manufacture, use, display, and sale of infringing goods and services. 2 CALIFORNIA UNFAIR COMPETITION 3 (Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17200) 4 48. LS&Co. realleges and incorporates by reference each of the allegations 5 contained in paragraphs 1 through 47 of this Complaint. 6 49. Defendant's conduct constitutes "unlawful, unfair or fraudulent business act[s] 7 or practice[s] and unfair, deceptive, untrue or misleading advertising" within the meaning of 8 California Business & Professions Code section 17200. 9 50. LS&Co. is entitled to injunctive relief preventing the conduct alleged in this 10 Complaint. 11 PRAYER FOR JUDGMENT 12 WHEREFORE, LS&Co. prays that this Court grant it the following relief: 13 1. Adjudge that LS&Co.'s Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark, and each of them, 14 have been infringed by Defendant in violation of LS&Co.'s rights under common law, 15 U.S.C. § 15 1114, and/or California law; 16 2. Adjudge that Defendant has competed unfairly with LS&Co. in violation of 17 LS&Co.'s rights under common law, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a), and/or California law; 18 3. Adjudge that Defendant's activities are likely to dilute LS&Co.'s famous Tab 19 trademark and Arcuate trademark, and each of them, in violation of LS&Co.'s rights under common 20 law, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c), and/or California law; 21 4. Adjudge that Defendant and its agents, employees, attorneys, successors, assigns, 22 affiliates, and joint venturers and any person(s) in active concert or participation with it, and/or any 23 person(s) acting for, with, by, through or under it, be enjoined and restrained at first during the 24 pendency of this action and thereafter permanently from: 25 a. Manufacturing, producing, sourcing, importing, exporting, selling, 26 buying, offering for sale, distributing, licensing, advertising, or

promoting any goods or services, using any words, symbols or designs

that so resemble LS&Co.'s Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark, or

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any of them, as to be likely to cause confusion, mistake or deception, on or in connection with any product or service that is not authorized by or for LS&Co., including without limitation, the infringing trademarks and designs that are the subject of this Complaint and for which Defendant is responsible, or any other approximation of LS&Co.'s trademarks;

- b. Using any word, term, name, symbol, device, or combination thereof that causes or is likely to cause confusion, mistake, or deception as to the affiliation or association of Defendant or its products and services with LS&Co. or as to the origin of Defendant's goods and services, or any false designation of origin, false or misleading description or representation of fact, or any false or misleading advertising;
- c. Claiming trademark rights in the pocket stitching and tab designs shown by example in this Complaint, or any other word, symbol, or design that is confusingly similar to the Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark, including by applying now or in the future for federal registration of trademarks comprising the Coperni Infringements or any other word, symbol, or design that is similar to the Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark;
- d. Infringing LS&Co.'s rights in and to any of its trademarks in its Levi's® brand products or otherwise damaging LS&Co.'s goodwill or business reputation;
- e. Further diluting the Tab trademark and Arcuate trademark;
- f. Otherwise competing unfairly with LS&Co. in any manner; and
- g. Continuing to perform in any manner whatsoever any of the other acts complained of in this Complaint;
- 5. Adjudge that Defendant be required immediately to supply LS&Co.'s counsel with a complete list of individuals and entities from whom or which it purchased, and to whom or which it sold, offered for sale, distributed, advertised or promoted, infringing products and services as alleged

in this Complaint;

- 6. Adjudge that Defendant be required immediately to deliver to LS&Co.'s counsel its entire inventory of infringing products and services, including without limitation pants, shirts, and any other clothing, packaging, labeling, advertising and promotional material, and all plates, patterns, molds, matrices and other material for producing or printing such items, domain names, or social media handles that are in its possession or subject to its control and that infringe or facilitate infringement of LS&Co.'s trademarks as alleged in this Complaint;
- 7. Adjudge that Defendant, within thirty (30) days after service of the judgment demanded herein, be required to file with this Court and serve upon LS&Co.'s counsel a written report under oath setting forth in detail the manner in which it has complied with the judgment;
- 8. Adjudge that LS&Co. recover from Defendant its damages and lost profits, and Defendant's profits, in an amount to be proven at trial, as well as punitive damages under California law;
- 9. Adjudge that Defendant be required to account for any profits that are attributable to its illegal acts, and that LS&Co. be awarded (1) Defendant's profits and (2) all damages sustained by LS&Co., under 15 U.S.C. § 1117, plus prejudgment interest;
- 10. Adjudge that the amounts awarded to LS&Co. pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1117 shall be trebled;
- 11. Order an accounting of and impose a constructive trust on all of Defendant's funds and assets that arise out of its infringing and dilutive activities;
- 12. Adjudge that LS&Co. be awarded its costs and disbursements incurred in connection with this action, including LS&Co.'s reasonable attorneys' fees and investigative expenses; and
- 13. Adjudge that all such other relief be awarded to LS&Co. as this Court deems just and proper.

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DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL Levi Strauss & Co. demands that this action be tried to a jury. Dated: September 7, 2023 Respectfully submitted, VERSO LAW GROUP LLP By: /s/ Ryan Bricker Gregory S. Gilchrist Ryan Bricker Sophy J. Tabandeh Paymaneh Parhami Attorneys for Plaintiff LEVI STRAUSS & CO.

Exhibit A

Registered Oct. 18, 1949

Registration No. 516,561

PRINCIPAL REGISTER Trade-Mark

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

Levi Strauss & Company, San Francisco, Calif.

Act of 1946

Application May 3, 1948, Serial No. 556,108



(Statement)

Levi Strauss & Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of California, located at San Francisco, California, and doing business at 98 Battery Street, San Francisco, California, has adopted and is using the trade-mark shown in the accompanying drawing, for MEN'S, WOMEN'S, AND CHILDREN'S OVERALLS AND JACKETS, in Class 39, Clothing, and presents herewith five specimens showing the trade-mark as actually used in connection with such goods, the trade-mark being applied to the goods by affixing permanently thereto a tab of textile material on which the trade-mark is shown, and requests that the same be registered in the United States Patent Office on the Principal Register in accordance with the act of July 5, 1946.

The trade-mark was first used on jackets July 1, 1937, and on overalls September 1, 1936, and first used in commerce among the several States and between the United States and foreign nations which may lawfully be regulated by Congress on jackets July 1, 1937, and on overalls September 1, 1936.

Applicant is the owner of the trade-mark, Reg-

istration No. 413,386, dated April 24, 1945, and Registration No. 250,265, dated December 4, 1928.

(Declaration)

D. A. Beronio, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the secretary of Levi Strauss & Company, the applicant named in the foregoing statement; that he believes that said corporation is the owner of the trade-mark which is in use in commerce among the several States and between the United States and foreign nations, and that no other person, firm, corporation or association, to the best of his knowledge and belief, has the right to use such trade-mark in commerce which may lawfully be regulated by Congress, either in the identical form thereof or in such near resemblance thereto as might be calculated to deceive; that the drawing and description truly represent the trade-mark sought to be registered; that the specimens show the trade-mark as actually used in connection with the goods; and that the facts set forth in the statement are true.

LEVI STRAUSS & COMPANY, By D. A. BERONIO, Secretary. Int. Cl.: 25

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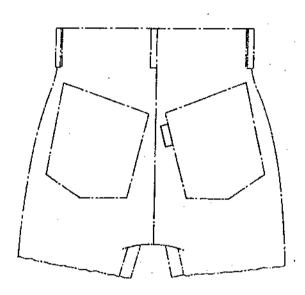
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United States Patent and Trademark Office

Reg. No. 1,157,769 Registered Jun. 16, 1981

TRADEMARK Principal Register



Levi Strauss & Co. (Delaware corporation) 98 Battery St.

San Francisco, Calif. 94106, by merger and change of name from

Levi Strauss & Co. (California corporation) San Francisco, Calif. For: TROUSERS, in CLASS 25 (U.S. Cl. 39).
First use Sep. 1, 1936; in commerce Sep. 1, 1936.
Owner of U.S. Reg. Nos. 356,701, 775,412 and others.

Applicant disclaims the representation of the goods apart from the mark as shown.

The mark consists of a small marker or tab affixed to the exterior of the garment at the hip pocket.

Ser. No. 263,725, filed Feb. 1, 1967.

J. C. DEMOS, Deputy Director

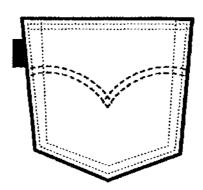
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Reg. No. 2,791,156 Registered Dec. 9, 2003

TRADEMARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER



LEVI STRAUSS & CO. (DELAWARE CORPORA-TION) 1155 BATTERY STREET SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111

FOR: PANTS, JEANS, SHORTS, SHIRTS, T-SHIRTS, BLOUSES, SKIRTS AND JACKETS, IN CLASS 25 (U.S. CLS. 22 AND 39).

FIRST USE 9-1-1936; IN COMMERCE 9-1-1936.

OWNER OF U.S. REG. NOS. 1,041,846, 1,135,196, AND 1,139,254.

THE LINING AND SHADING SHOWN IN THE DRAWING ARE FEATURES OF THE MARK AND NOT INTENDED TO INDICATE COLOR.

THE MARK CONSISTS OF THE COMBINATION OF A DOUBLE ARCUATE AND TAB DESIGN SHOWN ON THE SHAPE OF A POCKET, AS INDICATED BY A SOLID LINE.

SER. NO. 78-144,339, FILED 7-16-2002.

ELLEN B. AWRICH, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

Registered May 10, 1938

Trade-Mark 356,701

Republished, under the Act of 1946, April 27, 1948, by Levi Strauss & Company, San Francisco, Calif.

Affidavit under Section 8 accepted. Affidavit under Section 15 received, Aug. 31, 1953.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

Levi Strauss & Company, San Francisco, Calif.

Act of February 20, 1905

Application June 30, 1937, Serial No. 394,734



STATEMENT

To the Commissioner of Patents:

Levi Strauss & Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of California and located at city and county of San Francisco, State of California, and doing business at 98 Battery Street, San Francisco, California, has adopted and used the trade-mark shown in the accompanying drawing, for MEN'S, WOM-EN'S, AND CHILDREN'S OVERALLS OF THE PATCH-POCKET TYPE, in Class 39, Clothing, and presents herewith five specimens showing the trade-mark as actually used by applicant upon the goods, and requests that the same be registered in the United States Patent Office in accordance with the act of February 20, 1905.

The trade-mark consists of a small marker or tab, of textile material or the like, colored red, appearing on and affixed permanently to the exterior of the garment in a position that the red tab is visible, while the garment is being worn.

tab is visible, while the garment is being worn.
The trade-mark has been continuously used in the business of the applicant since on or about September 1, 1936.

In practice the trade-mark is applied to the

goods by stitching an end of a red marker or tab into one of the regular structural seams of t' garment so that the stitching of said seam secures one end of the red tab to the garment with a portion thereof extending visibly from the edge of the seam.

No claim is made herein for the representation of a portion of the garment or seam shown in the drawing, these being shown merely to illustrate one manner in which the red marker or red tab may be applied to a garment. The drawing is liued for the color red.

The undersigned hereby appoints Chas. F. Townsend, whose address is 908-917 Crocker Building, San Francisco, California, its attorney with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application, to make atterations and amendments therein, to receive the certificate of registration, and to transact all business in the Patent Office connected therewith.

LEVI STRAUSS & COMPANY, By D. A. BERONIO, Secretary. registered July 21, 1953

Registration No. 577,490

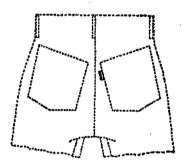
PRINCIPAL REGISTER Trade-Mark

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

Levi Strauss & Company, San Francisco, Calif.

Act of 1946

Application April 30, 1949, Serial No. 578,119



STATEMENT

Levi Strauss & Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of California, located at San Francisco, California, and doing business at 98 Battery Street, San Francisco, California, has adopted and is using the trade-mark shown in the accompanying drawing, for OVERALLS, in Class 39, Clothing, and presents herewith five facsimiles showing the trademark as actually used in connection with such goods, the trade-mark being applied to the goods in the manner hereinafter set forth, and requests that the same be registered in the United States Patent Office on the Principal Register in accordance with the act of July 5, 1946.

The trade-mark was first used on September 1, 1936, and first used in commerce among the several States which may lawfully be regulated by Congress on September 1, 1936.

The trade-mark consists of a small marker

or tab, of textile material or the like, colored red, appearing on and affixed permanently to the exterior of the garment in a position that the red tab is visible, while the garment is being worn.

In practice, the trade-mark is applied to the goods by stitching an end of a red marker or tab into one of the regular structural seams of the hip pockets of the garment so that the stitching of said seam secures one end of the red tab to the garment with a portion thereof extending visibly from the edge of the seam.

The drawing is lined for the color red.

Applicant is the owner of Trade-Mark Registration No. 356,701 issued May 10, 1938, and No.

404,248 issued November 16, 1943.

LEVI STRAUSS & COMPANY, By D. A. BERONIO,

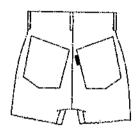
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United States Patent Office

774,625 Registered Aug. 4, 1964

PRINCIPAL REGISTER Trademark

Ser. No. 171,283, filed June 18, 1963



Levi Strauss & Co. (California corporation) 98 Battery St. San Francisco 6, Calif.

For: GARMENTS, PARTICULARLY TROUSERS, in CLASS 39.

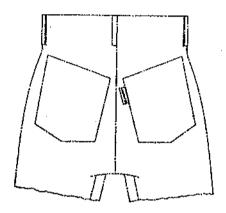
First use May 22, 1963; in commerce May 22, 1963. The mark consists of a small marker or black tab affixed to the exterior of the garment at the hip pocket. Owner of Reg. Nos. 356,701, 577,490, and 720,376.

Inited States Patent Office

775,412 Registered Aug. 18, 1964

PRINCIPAL REGISTER Trademark

Ser. No. 171,282, filed June 18, 1963



Levi Strauss & Co. (California corporation) 98 Battery St. San Francisco 6, Calif.

For: GARMENTS, PARTICULARLY TROUSERS, in CLASS 39.

First use Oct. 9, 1957; in commerce Oct. 9, 1957.

The mark consists of a small marker or white tab with the name "Levi's" superposed thereon, which is affixed to the exterior of the garment at the hip pocket.

Owner of Reg. Nos. 250,265, 720,376, and others.

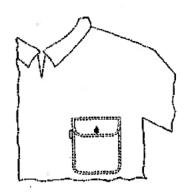
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Reg. No. 2,726,253 Registered June 17, 2003

United States Patent and Trademark Office

TRADEMARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER



LEVI STRAUSS & CO. (DELAWARE CORPORA-TION) 1155 BATTERY STREET SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111

FOR: CLOTHING, NAMELY, SHIRTS, IN CLASS 25 (U.S. CLS. 22 AND 39).

FIRST USE 3-7-1969; IN COMMERCE 3-7-1969.

OWNER OF U.S. REG. NOS. 356,701, 1,183,022 AND OTHERS.

THE TRADEMARK CONSISTS OF A SMALL MARKER OR TAB OF TEXTILE MATERIAL AP-

PEARING ON AND AFFIXED PERMANENTLY TO THE EXTERIOR OF A SHIRT POCKET. THE SHIRT AND SHIRT POCKET SHOWN IN BROKEN LINES ON THE DRAWING SERVES TO SHOW POSITIONING OF THE MARK AND NO CLAIM IS MADE TO THIS MATTER.

SEC. 2(F).

SER. NO. 75-904,260, FILED 1-26-2000.

TERESA M. RUPP, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

Int. Cl.: 35

Prior U.S. Cls.: 100, 101 and 102

United States Patent and Trademark Office Reg. No. 2,620,144

Reg. No. 2,620,144

Registered Sep. 17, 2002

SERVICE MARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER



LEVI STRAUSS & CO. (DELAWARE CORPORA-TION) 1155 BATTERY STREET SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111 FIRST USE 2-0-1999; IN COMMERCE 2-0-1999.

FOR: RETAIL STORE SERVICES IN THE FIELD OF CLOTHING, IN CLASS 35 (U.S. CLS. 100, 101 AND

SER. NO. 76-193,799, FILED 1-12-2001.

CHRISTOPHER BUONGIORNO, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

Design Only: Q4State ST-6

State CALIFORNIA

Owner LEVI STRAUSS & CO.

Renewed To LEYI STRAUSS & CO.

DELAWARE CORPORA

DELAWARE CORPORATION 1155 BATTERY STREET SAN FRANCISCO CALIFORNIA Renewed: 04-JAN-1984

Renewal Registration Number: 9036

LEVI STRAUSS & CO.

CALIFORNIA CORPORATION 1155 BATTERY STREET

SAN FRANCISCO CALIFORNIA 94111

Renewed: 13-JUN-1994

Renewal Registration Number: 13720

LEVI STRAUSS & CO.

DELAWARE CORPORATION 1155 BATTERY STREET

SAN FRANCISCO CALIFORNIA 94111

Renewed: 16-JUN-2004

Renewal Registration Number: 17805

LEVI STRAUSS & CO.

DELAWARE CORPORATION 1155 BATTERY STREET

SAN FRANCISCO CALIFORNIA 94111

Renewed: 30-MAY-2014

Renewal Registration Number: 20170

Registrant LEVI STRAUSS & CO.

DELAWARE CORPORATION TWO EMBARCADERO CENTER SAN FRANCISCO CALIFORNIA 94106

Status Renewed (Registered) (CA) - 52312

Chronology Registered: 12-JUN-1974

Registration Number: 52312

Renewed: 04-JAN-1984 13-JUN-1994 16-JUN-2004 30-MAY-2014

Renewal Registration Number:

Mark Type TRADEMARK

Goods and Services 25

Shirts and jackets State Class(es): 39

First Use in State: 07-MAR-1969 First Use Anywhere: 07-MAR-1969

Design Type DESIGN ONLY

Design Phrase THE MARK CONSISTS OF A FOLDED CLOTH RIBBON SEWN WITH ITS

ENDS INSERTEDINTO THE REGULAR STRUCTURAL SEAM OF A PATCH POCKET OR FLAP OF SHIRTS SO THAT THE FOLD PROTRUDES FROM THE SEAM AND IS VISIBLE THROUGHOUT THE LIFE OF THE GARMENT

WHILE IT IS BEING WORN

Manner Of Display A PROTRUDING TAB IN THE POCKET SEAM OF A SHIRT OR JACKET

PROTRUDING FROM THE SEAM OF THE POCKET OR FROM THE FLAP ON

THE POCKET

EXHIBIT B

Registered Nov. 16, 1943

Trade-Mark 404,248

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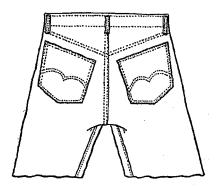
Affidavit under Section 8 accepted. Affidavit under Section 15 received, Aug. 31, 1953.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

Levi Strauss & Company, San Francisco, Calif.

Act of February 20, 1905

Application September 25, 1942, Serial No. 455,769



STATEMENT

To the Commissioner of Patents:

Levis Strauss & Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of California and located at the city and county of San Francisco, State of California, and doing business at 98 Battery Street, San Francisco, California, has adopted and used the trade-mark shown in the accompanying drawing, for WAISTBAND TYPE OVERALLS, in Class 39, Clothing, and presents herewith five facsimiles showing the trade-mark as actually used by applicant upon the goods, and requests that the same be registered in the United States Patent Office in accordance with act of February 20, 1905. The trade-mark has been continuously used and applied to said goods in applicant's business since the year 1873. The trade-mark consists of double arcuate designs of orange color displayed on the hip pockets of the overalls as shown on the drawing. The mark is applied to the overalls by stitching the double arcuate designs on the hip pockets with orange colored thread, or by painting the lines of said design on the hip pockets with orange colored paint.

No claim is made to the exclusive use of the representation of a pair of overalls.

The undersigned hereby appoints Castberg & Roemer, a firm composed of Thomas Castberg and Irving C. Roemer, whose address is 807 Crocker Building, San Francisco, California, and whose registration number is 15,030, as its attorneys, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the certificate of registration, and to transact all business in the Patent Office connected therewith.

LEVI STRAUSS & COMPANY, By DANIEL E. KOSHLAND, Vice President. Int. Cl.: 25

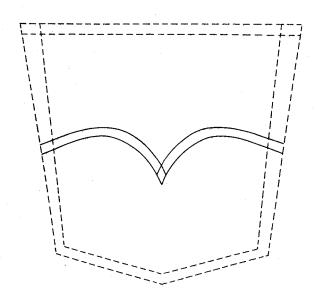
Prior U.S. Cl.: 39

Reg. No. 1,139,254

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Registered Sep. 2, 1980

TRADEMARK Principal Register



Levi Strauss & Co. (Delaware corporation) Two Embarcadero Ctr. San Francisco, Calif. 94106 For: PANTS, JACKETS, SKIRTS, DRESSES AND SHORTS, in CLASS 25 (U.S. CL. 39). First use 1873; in commerce 1873. Owner of U.S. Reg. No. 404,248.

Ser. No. 169,399. Filed May 8, 1978.

M. J. LEAHY, Primary Examiner

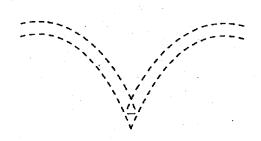
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United States Patent and Trademark Office

Reg. No. 2,794,649 Registered Dec. 16, 2003

TRADEMARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER



LEVI STRAUSS & CO. (DELAWARE CORPORATION)
1155 BATTERY STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111

THE MARK CONSISTS OF A DOUBLE ARCUATE DESIGN.

FOR: PANTS, JEANS, SHORTS, SHIRTS, T-SHIRTS, BLOUSES, SKIRTS AND JACKETS, IN CLASS 25 (U.S. CLS. 22 AND 39).

SER. NO. 78-142,765, FILED 7-10-2002.

FIRST USE 0-0-1873; IN COMMERCE 0-0-1873.

GINNY ISAACSON, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

LEVI STRAUSS & CO.

- (b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff San Francisco (EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)
- (c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)

Gregory S. Gilchrist, Ryan Bricker, Sophy J. Tabandeh, Paymaneh Parhami Verso Law Group LLP, 209 Kearny St., 3rd Fl., San Francisco, CA 94108, 415-534-0495

DEFENDANTSCOPERNI UK LIMITED

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

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 - c) Attorneys. Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)."
- II. Jurisdiction. The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 8(a), which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.
 - (1) United States plaintiff. Jurisdiction based on 28 USC §§ 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here.
 - (2) <u>United States defendant</u>. When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.
 - (3) <u>Federal question</u>. This refers to suits under 28 USC § 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.
 - (4) <u>Diversity of citizenship</u>. This refers to suits under 28 USC § 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; **NOTE: federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.)**
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- IV. Nature of Suit. Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If the nature of suit cannot be determined, be sure the cause of action, in Section VI below, is sufficient to enable the deputy clerk or the statistical clerk(s) in the Administrative Office to determine the nature of suit. If the cause fits more than one nature of suit, select the most definitive.
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