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3 (Fontana Exhibits Nos. 8 through 13 marked.)

4 ROBERT FONTANA

5 having been first duly sworn, testified as follows:

6 EXAMINATION

7 QUESTIONS BY MR. HILL:

8 Q. Sir, could you state your name for the record, 10
9 please? 10

10 A. Robert Fontana. 10

11 Q. And how are you currently employed? 10

12 A. I'm employed with Independent Marketing Alliance. 10

13 Q. Okay. Is that a party to this opposition 10
14 proceeding? 10

15 A. Yes. 10

16 Q. And it's the party that has applied for the 10
17 Cobblestone Market? 10

18 A. Yes. 10

19 Q. Just briefly, what is your educational background? 10

20 A. I graduated in 1982 from Cornell University School 10
21 of Hotel Administration. 10

22 Q. What emphasis did you have when you were at 10
23 Cornell? 10

24 A. It was a business curriculum slanted towards the 10
25 hospitality field. 10

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1 Q. After school what did you do next in that field of 10
2 work? 10

3 A. I joined Sysco Corporation. 10

4 Q. And what year would that be? 10

5 A. 1982. 10

6 Q. And how long did you work for Sysco Corporation? 10

7 A. Approximately 20 years. 10

8 Q. And what did you do while you were at Sysco? 10

9 A. Various capacities starting with a sales position 10
10 for six years, moved into brand management for two years, and 10
11 then transferred to their corporate headquarters in Houston 10
12 where I ran their frozen procurement department for 10
13 approximately 12 years. 10

14 Q. And does Sysco focus on any particular segment of 10
15 the market? 10

16 A. Sysco focuses on all segments of the food service 10
17 market. 10

18 Q. And is there a distinction between food service 10
19 market and some other market? 10

20 A. Very much so and in our business food service is a 10
21 separate channel from the retail channel and completely 10
22 different businesses. 10

23 Q. Give us some examples of the food service channel. 10

24 A. Food service is typically distributed to 10
25 institutional end users, schools, hospitals, restaurants. The 10

1 goods are typically distributed in bulk packages as opposed to 10
2 retail, which is consumer-driven, through grocery store outlets 10
3 in smaller consumer oriented packages. 10

4 Q. So, for example, if you were to look at Anderson -- 10
5 and we've utilized the numbering system to be able to refer 10
6 back to Janis Anderson's trial testimony, or I guess it's going 10
7 to be Volume 2, from a few days ago where they introduced their 10
8 packaging, it's Anderson Exhibit No. 12. If you would look at 10
9 that for a moment. What type of a package would you call that? 10

10 A. That is a typical retail style package. 10

11 Q. Okay. And how many rolls or buns are in that 10
12 package? 10

13 A. There are six according to this exhibit. 10

14 Q. I'm sorry, you said you -- that that's -- you call 10
15 it a retail pack? 10

16 A. Yes. 10

17 Q. Is that the kind of packaging that you would find 10
18 when you were at Sysco? 10

19 A. No, the pack size at Sysco in a food service pack 10
20 is much larger and typically that would be probably 12 dozen, 10
21 144 but they're bulk packages versus six individual rolls. 10

22 Q. Okay. And does each plastic bag have some kind of 10
23 packaging on it when you were at Sysco for this type of a 10
24 product or was it on the box instead of the plastic bag? 10

25 A. It can be both depending on the supplier. You can 10

1 have preprinted internal packaging or you can have generic 10
2 plain poly. It really depends on the supplier. 10

3 Q. Is there a distinction between the food service 10
4 segment of the market then and what I think you referred to as 10
5 retail? 10

6 A. Very much so. 10

7 Q. Could you describe the distinction with the retail 10
8 as compared to the food service? 10

9 A. Again, retail is targeted at the household, the 10
10 household consumer for food to be purchased and brought home. 10
11 Food service institutional distribution focuses on delivering 10
12 bulk goods to again restaurants, hotels, schools, hospitals, 10
13 institutional establishments. 10

14 Q. In the food service business who are the decision 10
15 makers to buy product? 10

16 A. Typically the restaurant owner or the food service 10
17 director at a hotel or a chef at a restaurant would be the 10
18 typical buyer. 10

19 Q. When you were at Sysco where did Sysco aim its 10
20 branding advertising? 10

21 A. To -- to those individuals I just mentioned. They 10
22 want that chef or that food service director to recognize their 10
23 brand and their products. 10

24 Q. In the retail segment of the market as contrasted 10
25 with the food service, do you know who is -- who the 10

1 advertising is typically targeted toward? 10

2 A. Typically towards the head of the household. 10

3 Typically the female head of the household would be the major 10
4 decision maker when it comes to the purchase at a retail 10
5 grocery store. 10

6 Q. You heard Ms. Anderson's testimony a few days ago, 10
7 correct? 10

8 A. Yes. 10

9 Q. And do you recall her describing the advertising of 10
10 Flowers where they targeted? 10

11 A. Yes, I do. 10

12 Q. And where was that was your understanding? 10

13 A. That was targeted towards a female upscale 10
14 consumer. 10

15 Q. Is any of the targeted advertising while you were 10
16 at Sysco and managing their brands in any way comparable to or 10
17 overlap the targeted advertising you heard Ms. Anderson talk 10
18 about that Flowers utilizes? 10

19 A. In no way, shape, or form was it in any ways 10
20 comparable. 10

21 Q. Okay. You said you stayed with Sysco for 20 years? 10

22 A. Yes, that's correct. 10

23 Q. After you left Sysco where did you go? 10

24 A. I left Sysco and went to Independent Marketing 10
25 Alliance. 10

1 Q. I understand you said Sysco was a food service 10
2 distributor. What does IMA and its member constituents do? 10

3 A. IMA is owned by six independent distributors. They 10
4 are our member owners. 10

5 Q. And if you take IMA and its member owners together, 10
6 are they comparable to Sysco in terms of the market and the 10
7 business model? 10

8 A. As far as the actual model from each individual 10
9 distributor, yes. 10

10 Q. So what is the business of IMA and its member -- is 10
11 it fair to say member constituents or member owners? 10

12 A. Member owners would be a good term. 10

13 Q. Okay. What business are they in as contrasted with 10
14 Sysco? Just -- 10

15 A. They are in the same business, that is, food 10
16 service distribution to that institutional food service 10
17 customer. 10

18 Q. Are they in the retail business? 10

19 A. No, our member owners are not -- one member owner 10
20 does have a dairy that they do market to a retail segment but 10
21 our specific six member owners, as -- as they exist, are food 10
22 service oriented. 10

23 Q. Similar to Sysco? 10

24 A. Yes. 10

25 Q. And so what did you start doing when you first came 10

1 to work at IMA? I'm just going to use IMA unless the context
2 requires otherwise to refer to IMA itself, as well as its
3 constituent member owners, is that fair? 10

4 A. That's fair. 10

5 Q. Okay. So when you joined IMA, what initially did
6 you do? 10

7 A. Basically two areas I focused on were the marketing
8 and the merchandising aspects of IMA. 10

9 Q. What advantage does IMA bring to its member owners?
10 I mean what's the basic concept of that? 10

11 A. Twofold. We roll up their volumes and we take
12 those volumes and shop them by category in the -- in the food
13 service supplier arena to get them the best cost of goods. 10

14 Q. Are you -- do you have any focus on developing or
15 promoting particular brands or trademarks and labels? 10

16 A. That is the second portion of what we do. We
17 provide them with their own proprietary brands that we as a
18 group come up with to provide them with their own franchise
19 proprietary stand-alone brands in the marketplace to go against
20 Sysco and their other competitors who have similar private
21 label brands. 10

22 Q. In general, how -- what comes first? Do you come
23 up with the brand first or do you come up with a category of
24 goods? I mean what's -- let's say potato chips or potato
25 salad, whatever, how does that work? 10

1 A. Let me explain. We are governed by committees set 10
2 up from our member owners. We at IMA act as facilitators and 10
3 we let various boards make the decisions that they want to 10
4 guide their organization. So there is a procurement advisory 10
5 council made up of senior purchasing people that determine what 10
6 categories that they would like to pursue under a private 10
7 brand. Then there is a marketing and advisory council that is 10
8 made up of senior marketing execs of the company's that create 10
9 brand positions and fit the products into the those brand 10
10 positions so they work in tandem to develop these brands and 10
11 determine the needs. 10

12 Q. And so is it, in layman's terms, that you develop a 10
13 product or a group of products that the decision maker may 10
14 desire to pursue under a particular brand? 10

15 A. Yes. 10

16 Q. What's the general process for doing that once a 10
17 category or a group of products has been selected for branding? 10

18 A. We determine that there is a need for a branding 10
19 position and we employ the assistance of an outside ad agency 10
20 called Newhall Klein and Newhall Klein will create ideation for 10
21 review by the MAC council for consideration. 10

22 Q. And that process takes a little while typically? 10

23 A. Typically it does. 10

24 Q. And then after that what's the next stage or what 10
25 needs to be decided in order to even go to the next stage? 10

1 A. Well, once we have a list of potential brand names 10
2 the ad agency runs them through various trademark searches to 10
3 make sure those marks are clean on the top line basis and we 10
4 can pursue a occult list of potential names. 10

5 Q. And then what happens just generally next? 10

6 A. Generally next we'll refer to our attorneys for 10
7 further review to make sure those marks are clear. We want to 10
8 make certain that our marks are clean and clear and we can move 10
9 forward with a clear conscience. 10

10 Q. Has Bartt Thompson been your attorney for handling 10
11 that process for at least the last few years? 10

12 A. Yes. 10

13 Q. And even though you don't know in detail maybe 10
14 everything he does, do you have a general idea of what he does 10
15 to look at the trademark issues? 10

16 A. Yes. 10

17 Q. And what is that? 10

18 A. That is, again, utilize the resources of a 10
19 trademark attorney to research as thoroughly as possible the 10
20 cleanliness of a potential mark. 10

21 Q. In a typical type of a situation with IMA in terms 10
22 of developing a brand, is it the situation that IMA doesn't 10
23 really care if there's confusion in the marketplace with its 10
24 brand or is it important to IMA that it have brand awareness 10
25 and that it be able to build its brand? 10

1 A. It's very important that there's brand awareness 10
2 and that the market is again not -- is going to be a clean 10
3 market. 10

4 Q. Okay. In the particular situation that we're here 10
5 for today, you understand that IMA has requested and applied 10
6 for a trademark Cobblestone Market, correct? 10

7 A. Correct. 10

8 Q. And did you have some personal involvement in that 10
9 process? 10

10 A. Yes. 10

11 Q. If you could, just briefly tell us how that came 10
12 out and I have -- I have marked as Exhibits 8 through 9, 10, 10
13 11, 12, and 13 as Fontana exhibits. We have done it this way 10
14 for simplification. We'll use those same exhibits for other 10
15 testimony in this case. So all of them may not necessarily be 10
16 your exhibits but as you come across my questions and need to 10
17 refer to any of these feel free to do so. Okay? 10

18 A. Okay. 10

19 Q. The first exhibit that may or may not be helpful to 10
20 you is Exhibit 8, which is an e-mail with Sandy Klein from 10
21 Klein Newhall or Newhall Klein that's marked as Exhibit No. 8. 10
22 Could you -- before you look at the document or just before you 10
23 start talking about the document, in general what was going on 10
24 that caused IMA and its member owners to desire a brand which 10
25 ultimately turned out to be the Cobblestone Market brand? 10

1 A. Well, again, we were trying to determine a, a, a 10
2 brand for a line of deli products, food service deli products 10
3 that would be acceptable to the group. 10

4 Q. Okay. And so somebody determined that you needed 10
5 to have a brand for would you say a food service line of deli 10
6 products? 10

7 A. That is correct. 10

8 Q. Okay. And was your committee -- I -- 10

9 A. The marketing advisory council. 10

10 Q. Okay. 10

11 A. We refer to it as the MAC. 10

12 Q. M-A-C? 10

13 A. M-A-C. 10

14 Q. And so that was the job that -- were you assigned 10
15 that job or -- 10

16 A. I -- I'm assigned the task to oversee the process 10
17 of the brand development to make sure that the MAC committee is 10
18 moving along, that the ad agency is timely in what they're 10
19 charged to do. I facilitate the process. 10

20 Q. Okay. So if you look at Exhibit 8, does that 10
21 refresh your recollection of some of the issues that were 10
22 brought up either by you or the ad agency? 10

23 A. Yes. 10

24 Q. What in general was going on at that time that you 10
25 sent this e-mail? 10

1 A. Again, I referred to the first calling of the 10
2 initial list, the first top line search to determine if there 10
3 are any potential problems with the brands that have been 10
4 initially offered. 10

5 Q. Okay. So we look at No. 8, Exhibit No. 8, we're 10
6 referring to it as Fontana Exhibit 8, this is sort of the 10
7 report from Sandy Klein? 10

8 A. (Witness reading.) 10

9 Q. Is this e-mail from Sandy Klein? 10

10 A. Oh, I'm sorry. There was a question in there. I 10
11 believe it is. 10

12 Q. The second page says Sandy Klein. The first page 10
13 looks like it says to Rob? 10

14 A. Yeah, "Best regards Sandy." Yes, you're right. 10

15 Q. Okay. And it was a copy -- CC'd to you, what it 10
16 appears to be on the front page? 10

17 A. Yes. No, Bob Planck. 10

18 Q. I'm sorry, maybe that's why you don't recognize it 10
19 much. Have you seen this document before? 10

20 A. No. 10

21 Q. Have you typically seen these types of documents 10
22 where they list out various marks and any kind of potential 10
23 issues, like the number of hits on a particular word, for 10
24 example? 10

25 A. Typically I will. 10

1 Q. But you don't have any recollection of seeing this 10
2 particular document before? 10

3 A. This specific document, no. 10

4 Q. Did you have an understanding of the content even 10
5 if you don't remember this specific document before? 10

6 A. Yes, this is typical of the processes we go through 10
7 on all our brands we develop. 10

8 Q. Do you have any recollection of -- I see the word 10
9 Oakwood on here and it says it has 62 hits and it talks about 10
10 Oakwood Foods out of New York. Do you remember anything about 10
11 Oakwood? 10

12 A. You know, I don't. I view this process really from 10
13 a 20 thousand foot view. I rely heavily on the advice of our 10
14 ad agency and our attorneys to guide us to the correct 10
15 conclusions. I do not question the findings of the 10
16 professionals when they bring us results. 10

17 Q. Now who is Sandy Klein again? 10

18 A. She's the owner of Newhall Klein. 10

19 Q. And Newhall Klein is? 10

20 A. Our ad agency. 10

21 Q. And how long have they been your ad agency for? 10

22 A. Oh, approximately I would say five out of the six 10
23 years out of IMA's existence. 10

24 Q. So just in big terms, your ad agency sort of gives 10
25 it the first pass; is that right? 10

1 A. That is correct. 10

2 Q. And even if you don't know the details of this 10
3 particular document, was there a sort of first pass approval by 10
4 the ad agency to go forward with the Cobblestone Market brand? 10

5 A. Yes. 10

6 Q. So then Exhibit 9, I don't know if you've seen this 10
7 document either since it also is referenced to Bob Planck. 10
8 Have you seen Exhibit 9 before? 10

9 A. No. 10

10 Q. Okay. Even if you haven't seen it, have you 10
11 participated in a discussion of Cobblestone Corner at some 10
12 point in time? 10

13 A. I do recall that. 10

14 Q. What's your general recollection of the mark 10
15 Cobblestone Corner? 10

16 A. That mark was rejected as being not a clean mark to 10
17 pursue. 10

18 Q. And who actually rejected it? It wasn't the Patent 10
19 and Trademark Office, was it? 10

20 A. No, it was the MAC committee upon consideration 10
21 from the recommendations of Newhall Klein and I believe your -- 10
22 this agency, this law firm. 10

23 Q. Okay. And do you know what the considerations were 10
24 that you gave as instructions or Mr. Planck gave as 10
25 instructions for trying to determine whether a mark would go 10

1 forward or not go forward? 10

2 A. Again, I don't. I take it at face value when we 10
3 are told that the mark is not clean that we are not -- we're 10
4 probably not going to pursue that avenue and opt for something 10
5 that is a clean mark that will give us a clean brand down the 10
6 road. 10

7 Q. So is it that the -- the initial issue was to see 10
8 if we could pursue Cobblestone Corner? 10

9 A. That is correct. 10

10 Q. And at some point it came back what, that 10
11 Cobblestone Market would be better? 10

12 A. That is my recollection, yes. 10

13 Q. And less troublesome? 10

14 A. That is my recollection, yes. 10

15 Q. Whether it be Cobblestone Corner or the Cobblestone 10
16 Market, what was the image IMA and its member owners were 10
17 trying to evoke in the minds of someone who would see that 10
18 mark? 10

19 A. We were trying to create a image of an 10
20 old-fashioned deli, neighborhood deli, neighborhood marketplace 10
21 where you could go and get fresh meats and cheeses. That's 10
22 what we were trying to accomplish. Yeah, my -- as you know, 10
23 under our brand positioning statement, to elaborate on that, 10
24 you know, under Cobblestone Market our brand positioning 10
25 statement is "Cobblestone Market is the place for delicious 10

1 deli meats, cheeses, pickles, fresh salads, and more. Our 10
2 premium quality and consistency will remind everyone of their 10
3 favorite neighborhood deli." 10

4 Q. Is that what's currently on your Web site? 10

5 A. Yes. 10

6 MR. DAVIS: Marty, just like to note for the 10
7 record the witness is reading from a piece of paper. Can we 10
8 marked that as exhibit? 10

9 MR. HILL: Yeah, I don't have any objection. 10
10 We can mark that as No. 14 if you want to. 10

11 (Fontana Exhibit No. 14 marked.) 10

12 Q. (By Mr. Hill) So you read from Exhibit 14, 10
13 correct? 10

14 A. Correct. 10

15 Q. And when you came up with Exhibit 14, was that by 10
16 having someone look at the Web site and read it to you 10
17 verbatim? 10

18 A. Yes. 10

19 Q. Is that a position statement that you recall? 10

20 A. Yes. 10

21 Q. Was it prompted by your examination of a 10
22 positioning statement that was produced during Ms. Anderson's 10
23 deposition testimony, which I think is marked as Anderson 10
24 Exhibit, is it 10? 10

25 A. Yes. Yes, it was. 10

1 Q. And so after you read the positioning statement of 10
2 Janis Anderson, and really it's the positioning statement of 10
3 Flowers Bakeries, as it relates to their Cobblestone Mill brand 10
4 and mark that that prompted you to think about your own 10
5 positioning statement? 10

6 A. Yes, it did. 10

7 Q. Did you see any overlap between the positioning 10
8 statement of Ms. Anderson, as articulated in Anderson Exhibit 10
9 10, versus what's going to be Planck Exhibit 14, which is the 10
10 positioning statement of IMA? 10

11 A. None whatsoever. 10

12 Q. Exhibits 10, 11, and 12, which are in front of you, 10
13 are documents that are actually out of the Patent and Trademark 10
14 Office file. Were you the primary person involved with that 10
15 process or was Mr. Planck? 10

16 A. Mr. Planck I believe was more involved in this 10
17 process than I was. 10

18 Q. I'll save those questions then for Mr. Planck. 10
19 Let's go to Exhibit 13, which is a sample of your logo and 10
20 actually it's the same logo I believe as Exhibit No. 6. You 10
21 can look at Exhibit No. 6 if you want to. This was -- we're 10
22 pulling in Exhibit 6 from the first volume of your deposition 10
23 and I believe that to be the same stylistic, to the extent a 10
24 stylistic mark, the same logo as you see in Exhibit 13, 10
25 correct? 10

1 A. Yes. 10

2 Q. Generally describe that mark. Not just the word 10
3 mark but the context the trade dress in which it's depicted. 10

4 A. Again as I described, we're trying to depict an 10
5 old-fashioned market type deli that invokes the old world 10
6 goodness in what we're trying to offer. 10

7 Q. And if you look at Anderson Exhibit No. 12, and you 10
8 were at Ms. Anderson's deposition, right? 10

9 A. Yes. 10

10 Q. Her trial testimony, and if you look at the left 10
11 side of Anderson Exhibit 12, you will see their Cobblestone 10
12 Mill mark. Do you see that? 10

13 A. Yes, I do. 10

14 Q. And do you see what I think Ms. Anderson referred 10
15 to as a relatively busy depiction of a -- of an old gristmill 10
16 or mill? 10

17 A. It's vague but I can see it. 10

18 Q. Okay. And have you seen better pictures of that 10
19 than the one that's Exhibit 12 before? 10

20 A. No. 10

21 Q. Okay. Does that show you or you refer to the old 10
22 version of that of some cobblestone either in the street or on 10
23 the side of the building next to the mill? 10

24 A. It's tough to make out in this but it looks like 10
25 that's what they're trying to get across. 10

1 Q. Okay. And then you can see -- well, first of all, 10
2 before we ever go to Flowers change to their new logo, does -- 10
3 when you see the Cobblestone Mill mark with this old mill with 10
4 that whatever it is that's vague that you say is hard to make 10
5 out, what's the image that's evoked in your mind? 10

6 A. Looks like they're trying to depict in an 10
7 old-fashioned mill where they used to grind wheat into flour. 10

8 Q. And is that, at least from your understanding, 10
9 consistent with the fact that they're a bakery? 10

10 A. Exactly. I would think that the wheat flour bread 10
11 connotation is what they're trying to invoke. 10

12 Q. In your mind when you compared the image of an 10
13 old-fashioned mill that grinds wheat with IMA's image of an 10
14 old-fashioned deli market where you sell -- buy meats and 10
15 cheeses, was there any confusion in your mind? 10

16 A. None whatsoever. One is where product is ground up 10
17 and manufactured, and another a market is where you sell 10
18 product. 10

19 Q. Okay. Now if you'll notice on the left it's what 10
20 they said was the old of Anderson Exhibit 12 and then they have 10
21 now switched to what they call -- what did they say? What 10
22 tomorrow brings, is that what it say? 10

23 A. Yes, that's what it says. 10

24 Q. So the new image that Ms. Anderson testified to is 10
25 the one that depicts the larger wheel on the right. Do you see 10

1 that? 10

2 A. Yes, I do. 10

3 Q. In the new style of the Cobblestone Mill mark, as 10
4 utilized by Flowers, did they do away with anything? 10

5 A. It looks like they completely did away with the 10
6 mill. 10

7 Q. The stone building is the mill? 10

8 A. The stone building is not there. 10

9 Q. Okay. But is the part of the mill there that's the 10
10 wheel? 10

11 A. Yeah, the only thing that remains looks like the 10
12 mill wheel, yes. 10

13 Q. Okay. So the old building's done away with but the 10
14 new or the old mill wheel is still there? 10

15 A. Yes. 10

16 Q. And more prominently displayed? 10

17 A. Yes. 10

18 Q. Again, as Flowers has revised their mark to focus 10
19 on the mill wheel as opposed to the old cobblestone building, 10
20 does that create any confusion in your mind or a possibility 10
21 that someone could be confused as to a source of the bakery 10
22 products that Flowers makes versus the deli hams, meats, and 10
23 cheeses that are sold by IMA and its stitch constituent members 10
24 under the Cobblestone Market brand? 10

25 A. I would think there would be no confusion at all 10

1 one's a mill and one is a market. 10

2 Q. When did IMA and its member owners start actually 10
3 using the Cobblestone Market brand? 10

4 A. That would be a guesstimate on my part. Probably 10
5 somewheres around year 2004, 2005. 10

6 Q. Okay. What kind of investment did first IMA make 10
7 itself as the organization I guess that pursues the brands in 10
8 the brand Cobblestone Market? 10

9 A. Generally it's approximately \$25,000 to create a 10
10 brand through Newhall Klein. 10

11 Q. Okay. So you've got the ad agency expense and 10
12 that's really not any marketing at that point. Is that just 10
13 creation of the brand? 10

14 A. That's just ideation and creation of the brand and 10
15 logo. 10

16 Q. And then you go through the label process and that 10
17 has additional expenses? 10

18 A. Right. 10

19 Q. And then does IMA also invest in any marketing 10
20 materials? 10

21 A. Each project generally has a point of sale piece 10
22 attached to it that can cost anywhere between 15 thousand and 10
23 \$30,000. I believe this project was around \$25,000. 10

24 Q. Okay. So that's really not dissemination of 10
25 advertising material or marketing material. That's just the 10

1 creation at the creative level. Right? 10

2 A. Correct. 10

3 Q. So all total what would you estimate that IMA has 10
4 spent in just in developing the brand? I'm not talking about 10
5 marketing it, just developing the Cobblestone Market brand? 10

6 A. Between 40 and \$50,000 for the ideation and brand 10
7 creation and the initial point of sale runs. 10

8 Q. Okay. Then to use this material you have to market 10
9 it, disseminate it, advertise it to certain people, right? 10

10 A. Correct. 10

11 Q. And how does that work? 10

12 A. That takes place at the local level where we -- 10
13 after the point of sale is developed we send each company a 10
14 CD-rom where they customize the point of sale for their 10
15 marketplace and they begin to incur additional expenses at the 10
16 local market level. 10

17 Q. What level of brand marketing support was targeted 10
18 by your member owners for the Cobblestone Market brand? 10

19 A. Approximately two percent goes into their local 10
20 marketing funds to promote this item locally. 10

21 Q. And what were the sales last year, or through this 10
22 year, the annual sales of the Cobblestone Market brand product? 10

23 A. Approximately 80 million dollars. 10

24 Q. You heard Ms. Anderson testify that they hoped to 10
25 do 76 million I think it was this year, maybe as much as 80 10

1 million, something in that neighborhood? 10

2 A. I don't recollect the exact figure but that may be 10
3 correct. 10

4 Q. So IMA's Cobblestone Market brand does at least as 10
5 much business, if not more, than the Cobblestone Mill bread 10
6 products that Ms. Anderson testified about? 10

7 A. If those numbers are correct, yes. 10

8 Q. So what do you believe to be the amount of money 10
9 that's been spent by IMA and its member owners to promote the 10
10 brand Cobblestone Market on an annual basis? 10

11 A. Well, at the local level at two percent that would 10
12 be approximately 1.6 million between all our member owners 10
13 to -- and that would encompass food somehow allowances, flier 10
14 allowances, they have local magazines that target the food 10
15 service operator that I referred to, the chef and the food 10
16 service managers, and they circulate those so all those 10
17 activities cost money but the two percent equals about 1.6 10
18 million. 10

19 Q. And in spending all the 1.6 million, is that on an 10
20 annual basis? 10

21 A. Correct. 10

22 Q. On all that advertising and all those sales, have 10
23 you found any time that a customer came to you, or anybody, and 10
24 said "Gee, are you the bread people?" 10

25 A. Never. 10

1 Q. Would you be surprised if somebody came and said "I 10
2 thought maybe that bakery started making hams"? 10

3 A. Yes. 10

4 Q. In your industry, or your experience in the 10
5 industry, are bakeries usually focused on baked and bread 10
6 products? 10

7 A. Yes. 10

8 Q. And has it been your experience that they expand 10
9 into something like making turkey or deli ham or salads? 10

10 A. No. 10

11 Q. And by comparison, is IMA's Cobblestone Market 10
12 brand selling any bread products under the Cobblestone Market 10
13 brand? 10

14 A. No. And to further elaborate, we actually have a 10
15 separate stand-alone brand of bread so there's no confusion. 10

16 Q. Okay. What is the brand that you sell for breads? 10

17 A. Brickfire Bakery. 10

18 Q. And again, your market image that you're trying to 10
19 evoke, is the process of baking the bread, Brickfire Bakery, 10
20 right? 10

21 A. Correct. 10

22 Q. Did you hear Ms. Anderson talk about the fact that 10
23 the -- that food -- that Flowers has a food service division? 10

24 A. Yes, Flowers Specialty I believe. 10

25 Q. And you also heard her say that Flowers Specialty, 10

1 their food division, cannot and will not sell the Cobblestone 10
2 Mill brand because that's a different distribution mechanism? 10

3 A. As I understood it, that would be an actual 10
4 violation of the contracts that Flowers Bakery has with their 10
5 distributors. 10

6 Q. Do you know if IMA and its member owners purchased 10
7 any bread products from the food service division which is 10
8 Flowers Specialties of Flowers? 10

9 A. We have two members that purchase from Flowers 10
10 Specialties. 10

11 Q. And does Flowers Specialties have its own brands 10
12 that are not in any way associated with Cobblestone Mill? 10

13 A. It's my understanding they do. 10

14 Q. Do you know what those brands are? 10

15 A. I think Mrs. Smith's is one of them but that's the 10
16 only one I've heard reference to. 10

17 Q. So the Flowers Bakeries does in fact have brands 10
18 that they sell through food service but they are Mrs. Smith's 10
19 or brands other than the Cobblestone Mill brand? 10

20 A. The Flowers Specialties does, yes. 10

21 Q. In terms of the advertising budget that you spent, 10
22 I know you generally described it a few moments ago, do you 10
23 also advertise in magazines? 10

24 A. The companies have a local publication that they 10
25 customize for their customer base. We do not do any other 10

1 advertising in trade magazines, no. 10

2 Q. Do you know what trade magazines that the owner 10
3 members advertise the Cobblestone Market brand in? 10

4 A. Again, it's their local self-publication that they 10
5 write and customize. 10

6 Q. And who would the target audience of that 10
7 publication be? 10

8 A. Again, the chefs, food service managers, the people 10
9 that run institutional food service establishments. 10

10 Q. Have you ever seen or do you anticipate that there 10
11 will ever be any advertising focused on the upscale female 10
12 retail consumer? 10

13 A. No. 10

14 Q. Have you understood my questions? 10

15 A. Yes. 10

16 Q. Is there anything you need to clarify that you have 10
17 testified to that's unclear that you think needs clarification 10
18 at this time? 10

19 A. No. 10

20 MR. HILL: With that I will pass the witness. 10

21 MR. DAVIS: Why don't we take a quick break. 10

22 MR. HILL: Okay. 10

23 (Brief recess from 10:48 a.m. to 11:08 a.m..) 11

24 EXAMINATION 11

25 QUESTIONS BY MR. DAVIS: 11

1 Q. Mr. Fontana, as you know, my name is Ted Davis and 11
2 I represent Flowers in this proceeding. Mr. Hill covered 11
3 earlier the fact that you had given a discovery deposition in 11
4 this case and the parties have agreed to try and streamline the 11
5 proceedings to allow discovery depositions to be used at the 11
6 trial in this matter, which is where we otherwise are. I'm 11
7 going to be referring to your discovery deposition testimony. 11
8 I don't -- in a couple of spots. I don't believe it will be 11
9 necessary for you to take a look at it to respond, but if you 11
10 would feel more comfortable doing is so I have a copy of it 11
11 here as well as the exhibits. 11

12 MR. HILL: I'd like you to just that you're 11
13 clear as to the context. 11

14 Q. (By Mr. Davis) If I refer to specific pages in the 11
15 discovery deposition I'll tell you what pages those are. 11

16 A. Okay. 11

17 MR. HILL: Ted, do you have a extra copy for me 11
18 or do you want me to go get his depo? I've got his depo in the 11
19 other room. You just tell me the pages and that way I can look 11
20 at it too. 11

21 MR. DAVIS: We have extra copies I believe. 11

22 MR. HILL: Of those excerpts? 11

23 MR. DAVIS: I think it's the whole thing. 11

24 MR. HILL: Let me just go grab it. 11

25 (Mr. Hill leaves room and returns.) 11

1 Q. (By Mr. Davis) Mr. Fontana, you previously have 11
2 testified about an exhibit that was labeled earlier as Fontana 11
3 No. 6. I'd like for you to take a look that and do you 11
4 recognize that document still? 11

5 A. Yes. 11

6 Q. And what is that document? 11

7 A. It looks like some pages out of some point of sale 11
8 material. 11

9 Q. And this is a document generated by IMA? 11

10 A. Correct. 11

11 Q. I'd like, if you could, to ask you some questions 11
12 going through this page by page. Can you tell me what the two 11
13 items on the first page of this document are up at the top? 11
14 Not the advertising agency material at the bottom. 11

15 A. It's looks like point of sale for our ham. 11

16 Q. And who developed those materials? 11

17 A. Newhall Klein. 11

18 Q. And you've described them as point of sale 11
19 materials. How do they wind up being used at point of sale? 11

20 A. Well, they're put in front of a customer or left 11
21 with a customer to describe the attributes of a product. 11

22 Q. And by customer here you mean? 11

23 A. The restaurateur, the chef, the food service 11
24 manager at a hotel, at a restaurant, at a school. 11

25 Q. Okay. Could you take a look at the second page of 11

1 that document, please? The second page features what seem to 11
2 be similar material. Would your characterization of those two 11
3 be the same? 11

4 A. Yes, just different products. 11

5 Q. Yes. The third page as well? 11

6 A. Yeah, the same, different products. 11

7 Q. The next page also? 11

8 A. The same, different products. 11

9 Q. And then proceeding on to the page following that, 11
10 which is numbered page five, I'd like to ask you some questions 11
11 about the items displayed on that page. 11

12 A. Okay. 11

13 Q. Could you describe generally what these items are? 11

14 A. These are merchandising materials designed to 11
15 outfit kiosks that our products are merchandised through 11
16 typically in a college, institutional food service setting. 11

17 Q. And when you use the word kiosk, what do you mean 11
18 by that? 11

19 A. Kiosk can be a stand-alone cart similar that you 11
20 see in many food courts or this can be used to dress up a 11
21 typical food service stainless steel counter at a college food 11
22 service line to give the students the feel that they're 11
23 actually purchasing from a food service deli environment. 11

24 Q. So these items would go into a pre-existing 11
25 location of one of your customers? 11

1 Q. And when you say worker, that would be an employee 11
2 of one of your customers? 11

3 A. Correct. 11

4 Q. E? 11

5 A. Again, it's a hat to achieve the same purpose. 11

6 Q. And F? 11

7 A. F is -- it looks like price tags to merchandise the 11
8 price of a product. 11

9 Q. And how would those be displayed? 11

10 A. Typically in a deli case on a -- to advertise the 11
11 price of whatever product they're trying to sell a dollar for 11
12 the pickle. 11

13 Q. Item G? 11

14 A. Looks like holders to hold that price tag. 11

15 Q. H? 11

16 A. It's a static cling that would go on the window of 11
17 the deli case and stick to it to again merchandise the 11
18 Cobblestone Market brand. 11

19 Q. So an end consumer looking at a particular food 11
20 item through that window might see that as they examine the 11
21 items that they might purchase? 11

22 A. It would actually be on the outside of the window. 11

23 Q. But it would be the window through which they would 11
24 look to see the food item? 11

25 A. Yes. 11

1 Q. Okay. Moving on to I? 11

2 A. I is -- looks like the same thing, smaller. 11

3 Q. J? 11

4 A. It's an apron again to again give the consumer the 11
5 feel that they're buying from a deli. 11

6 Q. Next is K? 11

7 A. Let's see. H, I, J, K. 11

8 Q. These are a little bit cryptic. 11

9 A. Oh, no. They're ceiling danglers. You dangle them 11
10 from the rafters in the ceiling again to merchandise your 11
11 products and brands. 11

12 Q. And again, these would be displayed by your 11
13 customers? 11

14 A. Yes. 11

15 Q. L? 11

16 A. L, again it's a static cling design to cling onto 11
17 the outside of a glass or stainless steel case. 11

18 Q. Moving on to M? 11

19 A. I'm trying to find it on here. I'm trying to find 11
20 the reference M. Looks like outdoor signage but there's 11
21 nothing displayed there. 11

22 Q. There does seem to be an empty box for that one. 11
23 Has the company ever produced outdoor signs? 11

24 A. Not to my knowledge. I do not know if that ever 11
25 came to fruition or not. 11

1 Q. What about item N? 11

2 A. It looks like a menu board to menu your items. 11

3 Q. And again, that would be -- I see there's some 11

4 blank spaces in that menu board, and those spaces, would they 11

5 be filled in by your customers? 11

6 A. Yeah, they would customize whatever they want to 11

7 slide into that menu board. 11

8 Q. And then display it to the ultimate consumer? 11

9 A. Correct. 11

10 Q. O looks like to be the -- more or less the same 11

11 thing? 11

12 A. Same thing, yes. 11

13 Q. P? 11

14 A. P, server buttons. They would go on the lapel of 11

15 the apron. 11

16 Q. What about Q? 11

17 A. Q is looks like deli wrap to wrap the product in. 11

18 Q. And so if an end consumer were to purchase a 11

19 product from one of your customers, it would be delivered in 11

20 that wrapper? 11

21 A. You know, I don't think so. I believe we did away 11

22 with sandwich wraps and they no longer exist in the line of 11

23 products. 11

24 Q. Did they ever exist? 11

25 A. No, they didn't. It was proposed and we decided 11

1 not to go forward with sandwich wrap so they are not in 11
2 existence. 11

3 Q. What about item R? 11

4 A. R, it looks like a table umbrella, again, to help 11
5 merchandise the brand. 11

6 Q. And so that would be used, say, on a patio by your 11
7 customers? 11

8 A. I would say again more in a college dining setting 11
9 to help give the feel that you're on a patio but in fact you 11
10 would be inside an institutional food service environment 11
11 trying to give the feel of that overall deli in what's 11
12 generally a very sterile food service environment. A lot of 11
13 colleges are trying to upscale their food service to the 11
14 students and that's how you do that utilizing that type of 11
15 imagery to accomplish that. 11

16 Q. Okay. Why don't we see if we can streamline this. 11
17 If you could just go through S, T, U, and V and finish this up. 11

18 A. Okay. S and T look like shirts again to dress up 11
19 the employees to get the brand image across and luncheon 11
20 napkins again to complement the experience along with sandwich 11
21 wrap stickers, which I believe along with the sandwich wrap 11
22 have -- did -- never did come into fruition. 11

23 Q. A customer -- an end consumer walking into one of 11
24 your customer's establishments in which these items are 11
25 displayed would see these at the point of sale, would they not? 11

1 Q. What about supermarket delis? 11

2 A. Supermarket delis can be a potential customer for a 11
3 food service distributor. 11

4 Q. You said they can be. Do you know if they are or 11
5 are not? 11

6 A. They are. 11

7 Q. They are? 11

8 A. Yeah. A smaller segment but they are. 11

9 Q. You testified earlier, as you characterized it, 11
10 that your members are food service oriented. Do you mean by 11
11 that that that's all they do? 11

12 A. That is the majority of what they do. 11

13 Q. What would be the other activities not falling into 11
14 the majority of their activities? 11

15 A. Okay. To reference more and more the supermarket 11
16 deli has become more of a food service entity than a retail 11
17 entity. The deliveries to those units are -- can be food 11
18 service driven and are -- have more of a food service look than 11
19 a retail look. 11

20 Q. Which of your members -- sorry, let me withdraw 11
21 that. Let me make sure I understood your last testimony 11
22 correctly. The supermarket deli is becoming an increasingly 11
23 larger segment of the food service channel? 11

24 A. The food -- the retail deli is acting and looking 11
25 more like a food service channel than a retail channel. 11

1 Q. And if that is the case, would that mean that your 11
2 six members would have a greater share of that supermarket deli 11
3 market, say, than they did ten years ago? 11

4 A. Yes. Potentially, yes. 11

5 Q. You said potentially. Do you think it is or is not 11
6 a larger setting? 11

7 A. I think it is a larger setting than it was ten 11
8 years ago. 11

9 Q. And your six members are servicing that? 11

10 A. I can't speak for certainty that all six service 11
11 that segment. 11

12 Q. But at least some of them do? 11

13 A. I would think so. 11

14 Q. Okay. Mr. Hill has marked as an exhibit or as four 11
15 exhibits in your earlier testimony some material from the file 11
16 wrapper history of your application. I'm not sure we 11
17 necessarily need to mark those as exhibits but I'll go ahead 11
18 and do the same thing. 11

19 MR. HILL: You've got some other sections from 11
20 the file wrapper? 11

21 MR. DAVIS: I've got something that I don't 11
22 believe that you marked. It's -- 11

23 MR. HILL: Oh. For the record, I don't mind 11
24 you showing him a document that references the same scope of 11
25 testimony that we took on direct but since he's our witness, 11

1 since I have a limited testimony, in fact no testimony from him 11
2 regarding the actual application process I may object to but 11
3 let's go ahead and mark it as an exhibit, but I may object to 11
4 it as being outside the scope of this -- of the direct. 11

5 MR. DAVIS: I understand. I don't think it is 11
6 outside the scope of the direct. 11

7 MR. HILL: Do you want to mark this -- 11

8 MR. DAVIS: I'm sorry, Marty, which one did I 11
9 hand you? 11

10 MR. HILL: You handed me something that's the 11
11 Motion to Amend the Application. 11

12 MR. DAVIS: That's it. 11

13 MR. HILL: Is that what you want me to mark? 11

14 MR. DAVIS: Yes. 11

15 THE COURT REPORTER: 15. 11

16 MR. HILL: 15? 11

17 THE COURT REPORTER: Mh-mh. 11

18 (Fontana Exhibit No. 15 marked.) 11

19 Q. (By Mr. Davis) Mr. Fontana, I'd like to show you a 11
20 document, as I mentioned. It is from what we call the file 11
21 wrapper history of your application. It is -- you'll see it is 11
22 a document filed by your counsel to amend the application and 11
23 I'd like for you to turn to the second page of that and you'll 11
24 see in the middle towards -- the upper middle part of that 11
25 document a revised identification of goods for the application. 11

1 A. Okay. 11

2 Q. Is that identification of goods restricted in any 11
3 way to the food service channel distribution? 11

4 MR. HILL: Object to the extent it calls for a 11
5 legal conclusion but to the extent that he knows the answer he 11
6 can answer it. 11

7 MR. DAVIS: I believe it's a factual question. 11

8 A. I don't believe so. 11

9 Q. (By Mr. Davis) Thank you. Mr. Fontana, I'd like 11
10 to ask you a question about an exhibit about which you 11
11 testified earlier. 11

12 MR. HILL: That's fine. 11

13 Q. (By Mr. Davis) This one is marked Anderson Exhibit 11
14 12. You testified about the packaging of the products shown on 11
15 this exhibit and I believe you testified that IMA's products 11
16 would not be shipped in similar packaging; is that correct? 11

17 A. I testified that typically a food service pack is a 11
18 much larger pack than six Philly style hoagie rolls, that this 11
19 is a typical retail pack and a food service pack would be much 11
20 larger. I believe I said 12 dozen or 144 rolls. I think 11
21 that's what I said. 11

22 Q. Okay. That's fine. In your experience in the 11
23 industry, do you believe that producers of goods that are 11
24 targeted for retail sale ship their products in that pack -- 11
25 that type of packaging to the retail outlets? 11

1 material? 11

2 A. Mh-mh. 11

3 Q. You also testified about the percentage of 11
4 advertising expenditures made by your local customers? 11

5 A. Correct. 11

6 Q. How much -- what percentage of the advertising 11
7 budget for this project would be spent on items like this? I'm 11
8 referring to -- 11

9 A. That would be -- again, the development of the 11
10 concept would be part of the 40 to \$50,000 I mentioned. Going 11
11 forward, the purchase of these materials by our member owners 11
12 would be an expense incurred by either them or the charge be 11
13 passed on to the food service operator, who would be purchasing 11
14 the kit. In some instances the member owner may opt to 11
15 purchase the product and give it to the customer or the 11
16 customer may be required to purchase it. It can happen both 11
17 ways. 11

18 Q. Okay. Mr. Fontana, you testified earlier as -- 11
19 about the search process that went along with the adoption of 11
20 the Cobblestone Market Trademark, did you not? 11

21 A. Yes. 11

22 Q. I believe you testified about what has been marked 11
23 as Fontana Exhibit No. 8? 11

24 A. Yes. 11

25 Q. But this is not a document with which you're 11

1 familiar before -- 11

2 A. No, I was not copied on this document and I -- I'm 11
3 not familiar with this to the best of my recollection. 11

4 Q. Are you familiar with any of the search process 11
5 that took place after that document was generated? 11

6 A. In a very general sense that I described. 11

7 Q. You've testified I believe that your market is 11
8 intended to create the impression of an old style market or -- 11

9 A. Right. 11

10 Q. The depiction of the trademark shown in Fontana No. 11
11 6 though features the word "Cobblestone" in a larger font size 11
12 than the word "market," does it not? 11

13 A. It does. 11

14 Q. Are you aware that during the application process 11
15 to register your trademark your company disclaimed rights to 11
16 the word "market"? 11

17 A. I'm not aware of that. 11

18 MR. HILL: Object to the extent it calls for a 11
19 legal conclusion. You're asking him about legal matters but to 11
20 the extent he knows he can answer it. 11

21 MR. DAVIS: I understand I'm asking him a 11
22 factual question. 11

23 Q. (By Mr. Davis) Do you know whether the company 11
24 investigated the availability of the word "market" before 11
25 proceeding with this trademark? 11

1 A. I do not know if they specifically researched the 11
2 word "market" as a stand-alone market. 11

3 MR. HILL: I'll give you two to one odds how 11
4 that would have ended. 11

5 Q. (By Mr. Davis) Based on your experience in the 11
6 marketing industry, do you believe it's standard practice to 11
7 roll out a trademark, a brand like this, without conducting a 11
8 search? 11

9 A. Well, there was a search conducted on Cobblestone 11
10 Market. Your question specifically asked me if there was a 11
11 search done on the word "market." 11

12 Q. Let me rephrase my earlier question then. 11

13 A. Thank you. 11

14 Q. Was there any search run for Cobblestone Market? 11

15 A. I believe there was. 11

16 Q. Do you know whether your company has produced that 11
17 search to us? 11

18 A. I believe they have. 11

19 Q. Are you certain that that is not the search for 11
20 Cobblestone Corner? 11

21 A. I'm -- I believe you've also seen that search but 11
22 I'm not certain of everything that's been given to you by our 11
23 counsel. 11

24 Q. Do you believe that there are two trademark 11
25 searches? 11

1 A. I believe there were numerous trademark searches in 11
2 this process to develop a deli brand for IMA. 11

3 Q. Let me show you a document that we have previously 11
4 marked as Planck Exhibit 6. I'll represent to you that this 11
5 was a document produced by your counsel to us and that it 11
6 appears to be a search for Cobblestone Corner. Have you ever 11
7 seen a corresponding document for Cobblestone Market? 11

8 A. Not to my recollection, no. 11

9 Q. Okay. You testified earlier about the Mrs. Smith's 11
10 brand. Your -- are you familiar with that brand? 11

11 A. I was told that it would -- that it is one of 11
12 Flowers Specialties food service brands. 11

13 Q. You were told by whom? 11

14 A. One of our member companies who distributes the 11
15 product it buys from Flowers Specialties. 11

16 Q. And which one is that? 11

17 A. That would be our Conco member. 11

18 Q. You've anticipated a -- one of the questions that 11
19 I'll jump to now. We've had testimony in this case that the 11
20 parties do have a relationship of sorts on the business side? 11

21 A. Of sorts. 11

22 Q. What is your understanding of that relationship? 11

23 A. Not -- I have a very vague understanding of the 11
24 relationship other than two of our member companies distributes 11
25 product from Flowers Specialties through their distribution 11

1 companies. 11

2 Q. And you've identified one of those already? 11

3 A. Yes. 11

4 Q. And which is the other? 11

5 A. The IGA Company out of Knoxville, Tennessee. 11

6 Q. What's your understanding of which products those 11
7 companies distribute of Flowers Specialties? 11

8 A. Vaguely I was told they distribute bulk food 11
9 service packed product that is really going to prisons as a 11
10 primary customer and that's what I recollect from my 11
11 conversation. 11

12 Q. And again, by whom were you told this? 11

13 A. By Tommy Lamb from our Conco member and through Bob 11
14 Planck, a conversation he had with a John Combas from the IGA 11
15 Company. 11

16 Q. Based on your employment by -- with Sysco, are you 11
17 aware of the Block and Barrel brand? 11

18 A. Yes. 11

19 Q. What's your understanding of the goods sold under 11
20 that brand? 11

21 A. That it is a bundled offering of deli-related 11
22 items. 11

23 Q. And by deli-related items, what do you mean by 11
24 that? 11

25 A. The items that you would typically find in our 11

1 Cobblestone Market brand cheeses, meats, pickles, etcetera. 11

2 Q. Any bread? 11

3 A. I am not sure if Block and Barrel has a bread 11

4 component to it or not. 11

5 Q. Are you familiar with the Sara Lee Company? 11

6 A. Somewhat. 11

7 Q. Are you aware that Sara Lee sells meat items? 11

8 A. Yes. 11

9 Q. Are you aware that Sara Lee also has a line of 11

10 bread items? 11

11 A. Yes. 11

12 Q. I'll borrow a word that you used earlier. Would 11

13 you be surprised if a consumer thought that Sara Lee Bread and 11

14 Sara Lee Meat came from the same company? 11

15 A. No. 11

16 Q. Is that something you would expect? 11

17 A. What? 11

18 Q. That a customer encountering Sara Lee Bread and 11

19 Sara Lee Meat would assume it was the same company? 11

20 A. They -- I would assume they would believe it's the 11

21 same company. 11

22 Q. Are you familiar with the Boar's Head brand? 11

23 A. Yes. 11

24 Q. What is your understanding of the -- what is sold 11

25 underneath that brand? 11

1 A. I believe it's a line of deli meats. 11

2 Q. Anything else? 11

3 A. I'm not certain. 11

4 Q. Do you know their channels -- anything about their 11
5 channels of distribution? 11

6 A. Very little. They're a very -- I really don't 11
7 understand much about Boar's Head and their products or their 11
8 distribution channels. 11

9 Q. I believe you testified earlier that you were 11
10 unaware of any instances of actual confusion between the 11
11 trademarks at issue in this proceeding; is that correct? 11

12 A. Right. 11

13 Q. What mechanisms does IMA have in place to collect 11
14 that sort of information? 11

15 A. Well, we really don't have any mechanism to do 11
16 those types of studies. 11

17 Q. And to the best of your knowledge, the company has 11
18 not conducted a scientific survey of consumers' reactions to 11
19 the two trademarks? 11

20 A. No. 11

21 MR. DAVIS: Why don't we go off the record. 11

22 (Discussion off the record.) 11

23 (Brief recess from 11:41 a.m. to 12:02 p.m..) 12

24 Q. (By Mr. Davis) We just have a few more questions. 12
25 I'd like to show you a document, again it's from the file 12

1 wrapper history of your trademark application. I don't believe 12
2 it's been marked as an exhibit yet. 12

3 MR. HILL: I think this one is not so we'll -- 12

4 (Fontana Exhibit No. 16 marked.) 12

5 Q. (By Mr. Davis) Mr. Fontana, have you ever seen 12
6 this document before? 12

7 A. I don't believe so. 12

8 Q. If you could turn to Page 42, as that document is 12
9 numbered on the lower right-hand corner, and take a look at the 12
10 last full paragraph and, in particular, the fourth sentence of 12
11 that paragraph. 12

12 A. Okay. Okay. 12

13 Q. There is a reference in that sentence to, I'm going 12
14 to quote here, "credible probative evidence of widespread 12
15 significant unrestrained use by third parties." 12

16 A. I see that. 12

17 Q. Are you aware of any evidence that IMA has 12
18 collected falling within that category? 12

19 A. Concerning Cobblestone Market? 12

20 Q. More specifically, any third party use that the 12
21 company believes is relevant to this proceeding? 12

22 MR. HILL: I object as I'm confused but if you 12
23 know what he's talking about -- 12

24 A. I don't. I need clarification on the question. 12

25 Q. (By Mr. Davis) I'll try and clarify it. Are you 12

1 aware of other parties actually using the phrase Cobblestone? 12

2 MR. HILL: Parties? People in any period? 12

3 Q. (By Mr. Davis) Are you aware of any people who are 12

4 currently using the word Cobblestone as part of a trademark or 12

5 a service mark? 12

6 A. Yes, Flowers Bakeries. 12

7 Q. Any other than Flowers? 12

8 A. Not -- no, no entity that I could name. 12

9 Q. Just to clarify, my original question was about 12

10 people. Are you aware of any company that uses the word 12

11 Cobblestone as part of a trademark or service mark? 12

12 A. Flowers Bakery. 12

13 Q. Any other company other than Flowers Bakery? 12

14 A. IMA. 12

15 Q. Any other company other than Flowers or IMA? 12

16 A. No. 12

17 Q. Thank you. I'd like to jump back to Planck Exhibit 12

18 15 or, excuse me, Fontana Exhibit 15. 12

19 MR. HILL: Okay. 12

20 Q. (By Mr. Davis) And address again the amended 12

21 identification of goods covered by this application. I'd like 12

22 to ask you to -- have you review that description and then once 12

23 you're done ask you a few questions about it. 12

24 A. Okay. Go ahead. 12

25 Q. Is IMA currently or IMA's members are they 12

1 providing deli meats in connection with the Cobblestone Market 12
2 trademark? 12

3 A. Yes. 12

4 Q. How is the trademark used in connection with deli 12
5 meats? 12

6 A. I'm not sure I understand the question. 12

7 Q. I asked whether you were aware if anybody -- either 12
8 IMA or its member companies is using Cobblestone Market in 12
9 connection with deli meats? 12

10 A. Yes, they are. 12

11 Q. How are they using it? 12

12 A. They are using it as portrayed in Exhibit 6 on 12
13 various deli meat items such as ham and turkey and other meat 12
14 items. 12

15 Q. Is the mark affixed to any packaging in which deli 12
16 meat is shipped? 12

17 A. Yes. 12

18 Q. What type of packaging is it? 12

19 A. Generally it's a plastic cryovac packaging. 12

20 Q. And the trademark is embossed onto that or affixed 12
21 to it somehow? 12

22 A. It's embossed right into the packaging, the plastic 12
23 cryovac packaging, or it can be a sticker or a label. 12

24 Q. Are those packages that you just described enclosed 12
25 in, say, cardboard boxes as they're shipped? 12

1 A. Similar to the meat items where the internal 12
2 packaging will be a wrapped plastic cryovac bag with either it 12
3 embossed embedded brand or a sticker and it is shipped in 12
4 printed corrugate, slash, cardboard boxes. 12

5 Q. What about the next item, refrigerated salads? 12

6 A. They would be packaged with a printed internal 12
7 carton encased in a Cobblestone corrugate cardboard box. 12

8 Q. When you say Cobblestone cardboard corrugate box, 12
9 do you mean a box with Cobblestone Market on the outside? 12

10 A. Yes. 12

11 Q. What about the next item, pickles? 12

12 A. Pickles would either come in a bulk bucket with a 12
13 Cobblestone sticker on it or in gallon jars with a Cobblestone 12
14 sticker on it. 12

15 Q. What about bagged potato chips? 12

16 A. They are preprinted Cobblestone internal bags in a 12
17 Cobblestone printed corrugate cardboard case. 12

18 Q. What about frozen soups? 12

19 A. We did that already. 12

20 Q. We did cooked soups. If the answer's the same 12
21 that's fine. 12

22 A. The answer is the same. 12

23 Q. Frozen entries? 12

24 A. They would be packaged in a metal tray with a 12
25 Cobblestone sticker on the tray with a Cobblestone corrugate on 12

1 the -- for the outer shipper. 12

2 Q. For each of the products -- just to clarify, for 12
3 each of the products that remain in that identification, these 12
4 uses actually are occurring of the Cobblestone Market mark? 12

5 A. Yes, they are. 12

6 Q. Are you aware that Pepridge Farm sells frozen 12
7 entries? 12

8 A. No, I'm not. 12

9 Q. But you're aware Pepridge Farm sells bread? 12

10 A. Yes. 12

11 Q. You testified earlier about 1.6 million dollars in 12
12 advertising. Is that an accurate number? 12

13 A. That is an estimate. 12

14 Q. Okay. And that was an estimate of advertising for 12
15 what? 12

16 A. For the local marketing spent by our member 12
17 companies. 12

18 Q. And would that be spent on Cobblestone Market goods 12
19 specifically? 12

20 A. Yes. 12

21 Q. And just to clarify, what would be the overall 12
22 budget for advertising for this trademark again? 12

23 A. We take the 1.6 million and add it to the 40 or 12
24 50,000 dollar total figure that I gave you to come up with the 12
25 total. 12

1 Q. And that total figure would be for Cobblestone 12
2 Market specifically? 12

3 A. Correct. 12

4 Q. Okay. 12

5 MR. DAVIS: Your witness, Marty. 12

6 MR. HILL: Done. Nothing. Off the record. 12

7 (Lunch recess from 12:13 p.m. to 1:43 p.m..) 13

8 MR. HILL: I think we concluded Mr. Fontana's 13
9 deposition, trial deposition before lunch but as sort of a 13
10 agreement and stipulation we're clear on the documents, it's my 13
11 understanding that the Fontana Exhibit 6, which is produced 13
12 here, is a clear color copy and that there's a desire that that 13
13 be attached to Mr. Fontana's current deposition, even though 13
14 that should be a color copy of the Exhibit 6 that was of Volume 13
15 1 of Mr. Fontana's prior deposition; is that right, Ted? 13

16 MR. DAVIS: That's correct. 13

17 MR. HILL: Okay. 13
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I, Robert Fontana, have read the foregoing deposition and hereby affix my signature that same is true and correct, except as noted on the above Correction Page.

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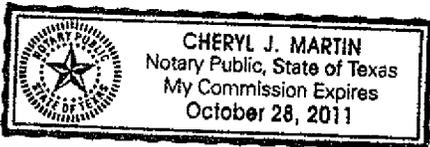
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Before me *Cheryl J. Martin*, on this day personally appeared *Robert Fontana*, known to me (or proved to me under oath or through) (description of identity card or other document) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

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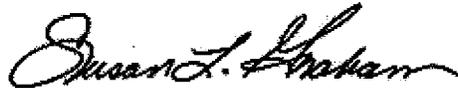


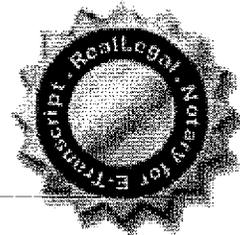
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Subject

Re: Oakwood - digging deeper

Rob,

Our process that IMA approved is for us to do a very surface search for all the names we submit. (sometimes we are searching hundreds of names before we submit them to IMA) Our search includes live, singular, plural versions of each name. We use TESS and NameProtect.com.

Our search for Oakwood Deli and then Oakwood Market show no direct hits for the name in its entirety which is how we would use it.

Our process also requests that IMA (or any client) pick a top three just in case the more detailed search doesn't allow us to move further on a specific name, giving us fall back options.

Breaking each name down (if it has more than one name to it) takes additional time, that we understood was Bob's preference to turn over to his attorney once the top three were picked. I did take the time this morning (of course at no additional charge) to break all top three names down:

Oakwood - 62 hits

-1 - Oakwood (foods) out of NY

Market - 2000+

Oakwood Market - 0 hits

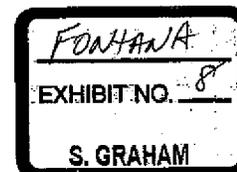
Cobblestone - 68 hits

- 1 - Cobblestone Kitchens (foods) out of Canada

- 1 - Cobblestone Mill (bakery) out of Georgia

Corners - 503

Cobblestone Corners - 1 hit - Housewares and Glass



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Counter - 991 hits
Classics - 1987 hits
Counter Classics - 4 hits - all cancelled or abandoned

Looking more carefully at the Oakwood document, it appears that this was founded in 1940. The last date of renewal was 1987, back when renewals were good for 20 years (today it's 10).

The company that currently has a trademark for Oakwood is out of Yonkers, NY. I can't find a listing of them in my Food and Beverage Marketplace guide under the company name (which is the same as the owner's name) or the brand name. Further search in our meat and poultry guide for establishment numbers (as a manufacturer) turns up nothing either.

I even called directory assistance in Yonkers and Stamford and came up with no listing under Oakwood or the owner's company name. A web search of company listings in NY turned up nothing.

It appears this company is very small. I checked with NK's trademark attorney and he agrees with the following recommendation:
Further research into the company to find evidence that they still exist. If they do not, we can easily file a petition to cancel the registration. If they are in business, and, depending on their specific business (store, manuf., etc.) our filing of Oakwood Market with a broader scope than meats may not be an obstacle.

Will advise on our findings.
Best regards,
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Sandy,

All the trouble/time of what NHK and I went through and now we can't use Oakwood Market...

Any Idea how we could have missed the direct trademark hit on meats for Oakwood in our initial search?

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Subject

FW: Oakwood

Sorry to be the bearer of bad news but it looks like "Oakwood...." Will not work for us as a deli Brand as it is active for fresh and prepared meats (documents attached). Sounds like it is back to the drawing

boards.

Robert D. Planck

MEMORANDUM

To: Bob Planck
From: Bart Thompson
Date: April 21, 2004
Re: Cobblestone Corner

IMA is considering adopting the use of the trademark "Cobblestone Corner" for deli items such as cooked deli items, cheese, refrigerated salads, refrigerated pickles, deli mustard, bagged potato chips and frozen soups and entrees. These items come under two of the classes for trademark registrations as follows:

Class 29 – Meats and Processed Foods
Cooked deli items
Cheese
Refrigerated salads
Refrigerated pickles
Bagged potato chips
Frozen soups and entrees

Class 30 – Staple foods
Deli mustard

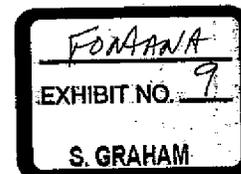
The Mark "Cobble Stone" or "Cobblestone"

A search for the mark "cobble stone" reveals that there are a few uses of the mark, in each case combined with another word, for products under Class 30:

<u>Mark</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
Cobblestone Bread	Pending	30	Fresh baguette breads
Cobblestone Mill	Registered	30	Bakery products, namely bread, buns and rolls
Cobblestone Mill Healthy & Hearty	Registered	30	Bakery products, namely Bread
Cobblestone Kitchens	Registered	30	Staple Goods, namely Hot Chocolate and Coffee

There are a couple of uses of the mark, in each case combined with another word, for products under Class 29:

Boston Cobblestone	Registered	29	Cheese
Cobblestone Kitchens	Registered	29	Dairy-Based Food Beverages



The search also revealed that "cobble stone" is in use for several other products or services outside of Classes 29 and 30. Some examples of these:

Cobblestone Pizza	Pending	42	Restaurant services
Cobblestone Creek	Pending	3	Cosmetic and cleaning (soaps)
Cobblestone Bridge	Registered	16	Paper goods and Printed Matter
" "	"	35	Advertising and Business
" "	"	28	Toys and Sporting goods
(plus several other registrations for Cobblestone Bridge)			
Cobblestone Small Group Tours			
	Registered	39	Transportation and Storage
Cobblestones	Registered	25	Clothing
Cobblestone	Registered	33	Wines and Spirits
Cobblestones	Registered	19	Non-metallic Building Materials
Cobblestone	Registered	42	Golf course services

The use of the mark Cobblestone has established several meanings through the registrations and pending registrations listed above.

The Mark "Cobblestone Corner"

The mark "Cobblestone Corners" was previously registered in 1975 under class 42 and cancelled in April 1982 (registrant was a third party).

The mark "Cobblestone Corner" was subsequently registered in October 1984 by Flowers Industries, Inc., which may be the owner of the mark "Cobblestone Mill" and "Cobblestone Mill Healthy & Hearty" under class 30 for bakery products—namely, breads, buns and rolls. The "Cobblestone Corner" mark was cancelled in February 1991. Finally, in April 2000 the Four Star International Trading Company registered the mark "Cobblestone Corners" under class 21 for collectible figures made of porcelain. This mark is live.

Analysis

As we have previously noted, the trademark rules emphasize the impression that is left with the viewer. When a mark is comprised of a word or words the dominant sounds that the viewer observes is the feature of the mark to be analyzed for purposes of determining likelihood of confusion.

When a word has been used in multiple classes it is said to be diluted since no single owner has sole ownership of the mark. With "cobble stone" or "cobblestone" the word has some dilution since there are several different owners of variations of marks containing the word cobblestone.

With the variations of cobblestone and the fact that the existing "cobblestone corners" is for a different product in a different class IMA should expect the trademark office to raise the existence of the "corner" mark in their investigation. IMA will have to be

prepared to respond that the goods are in different channels, and involve different buyers that are not only not identical, but are not even related.

The examiner will look for the similarity or dissimilarity of the marks as to appearance, sound, connotation and commercial impression and will compare the goods to see if they are related. We believe that IMA has a good chance at getting the mark "Cobblestone Corner" published for opposition under classes 29 and 30 for various deli items, but as you know the success of the registration process often depends on the individual examiner that is assigned the application.

Assuming publication for opposition, the owner of the "Cobblestone Mill" mark for bakery products, and possibly the owner of "Cobblestone Bread" mark for fresh baguette breads could try to oppose registration – note that the owner of "Cobblestone Mill" mark is Flowers Bakeries Brands, Inc. The owner of the "Boston Cobblestone" mark might try to oppose registration as well. We are curious as to why the trademark office did not require a disclaimer of the use of "Cobblestone" without the use of the other words in connection with these registrations. Should an opposition be filed, IMA would show the dissimilarities of the marks and the lack of confusion. We do not think IMA would be accused of trading upon the goodwill of any of these marks.

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MARK SECTION	
MARK	COBBLESTONE MARKET
STANDARD CHARACTERS	YES
USPTO-GENERATED IMAGE	YES
LITERAL ELEMENT	COBBLESTONE MARKET
MARK STATEMENT	The mark consists of standard characters, without claim to any particular font, style, size, or color.
OWNER SECTION	
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STATE/COUNTRY UNDER WHICH ORGANIZED	Delaware
NAME(S) OF GENERAL PARTNER(S) & CITIZENSHIP/INCORPORATION	Distribution Marketing Services LLC, a Delaware limited liability company
GOODS AND/OR SERVICES SECTION	
INTERNATIONAL CLASS	029
DESCRIPTION	Deli meats, cooked deli items, cheese, refrigerated salads, pickles, bagged potato chips, frozen soups and entrees
FILING BASIS	Section 1(b)
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SIGNATORY NAME	Robert D. Planck
SIGNATORY POSITION	President of Distribution Marketing Services LLC, General Partner
PAYMENT SECTION	
NUMBER OF CLASSES	2
NUMBER OF CLASSES PAID	2
SUBTOTAL AMOUNT	670
TOTAL AMOUNT	670
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To the Commissioner for Trademarks:

MARK: (Standard Characters, see mark)

The mark consists of standard characters, without claim to any particular font, style, size, or color.

The literal element of the mark consists of COBBLESTONE MARKET.

The applicant, Independent Marketing Alliance LP, a limited partnership organized under the laws of Delaware, comprising of Distribution Marketing Services LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, residing at 16000 Memorial Drive, Suite 200, Houston, TX, USA, 77079, requests registration of the trademark/service mark identified above in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on the Principal Register established by the Act of July 5, 1946 (15 U.S.C. Section 1051 et seq.), as amended.

Intent to Use: The applicant has a bona fide intention to use or use through the applicant's related company or licensee the mark in commerce on or in connection with the identified goods and/or services. (15 U.S.C. Section 1051(b)).

International Class 029: Deli meats, cooked deli items, cheese, refrigerated salads, pickles, bagged potato chips, frozen soups and entrees

International Class 030: Deli mustard

The applicant hereby appoints Bartt G. Thompson and Martyn B. Hill of Pagel, Davis & Hill, P.C., 1415 Louisiana, 22nd Floor, Houston, TX, USA, 77002 to submit this application on behalf of the applicant.

A fee payment in the amount of \$670 will be submitted with the application, representing payment for 2 class(es).

Declaration

The undersigned, being hereby warned that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. Section 1001, and that such willful false statements, and the like, may jeopardize the validity of the application or any resulting registration, declares that he/she is properly authorized to execute this application on behalf of the applicant; he/she believes the applicant to be the owner of the trademark/service mark sought to be registered, or, if the application is being filed under 15 U.S.C. Section 1051(b), he/she believes applicant to be entitled to use such mark in commerce; to the best of his/her knowledge and belief no other person, firm, corporation, or association has the right to use the mark in commerce, either in the identical form thereof or in such near resemblance thereto as to be likely, when used on or in connection with the

goods/services of such other person, to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive; and that all statements made of his/her own knowledge are true; and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

Signature:

Signatory's Name: Robert D. Planck

Signatory's Position: President of Distribution Marketing Services LLC, General Partner

Signatory's Signature: Signature

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SERIAL NO: 78/432642

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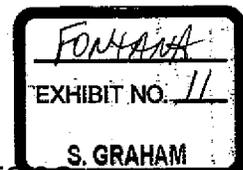
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The assigned trademark examining attorney has reviewed the referenced application and has determined the following.

Likelihood of Confusion – Section 2(d)

Registration of the proposed mark is refused because of a likelihood of confusion with the marks in U.S. Registration Nos. 1037938, 1920539, and 2741252. Trademark Act Section 2(d), 15 U.S.C. §1052(d); TMEP §§1207.01 *et seq.* See the enclosed registrations.

A likelihood of confusion determination requires a two-part analysis. First the marks are compared for similarities in appearance, sound, connotation and commercial impression. *In re E. I. DuPont de Nemours & Co.*, 476 F.2d 1357, 177 USPQ 563 (C.C.P.A. 1973). Second, the goods or services are compared to determine whether they are similar or related or whether the activities surrounding their marketing are such that confusion as to origin is likely. *In re August Storck KG*, 218 USPQ 823 (TTAB 1983); *In re Int'l Tel. and Tel. Corp.*, 197 USPQ 910 (TTAB 1978); *Guardian Prods. Co., v. Scott Paper Co.*, 200 USPQ 738 (TTAB 1978); TMEP §§1207.01 *et seq.*



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Here, applicant has applied to register the mark COBBLESTONE MARKET.

The mark in U.S. Registration No. 1037938 is BOSTON COBBLESTONE.

The mark in U.S. Registration No. 1920539 is COBBLESTONE KITCHENS.

The mark in U.S. Registration No. 2741252 is COBBLESTONES RESTAURANT & BAR

Comparison of the Marks

The applicant's mark is highly similar to the registrants' marks and will lead to consumer confusion. Specifically, the marks are similar in that COBBLESTONE(S) is the dominant portion of each mark. The marks are compared in their entireties under a Section 2(d) analysis. Nevertheless, one feature of a mark may be recognized as more significant in creating a commercial impression. Greater weight is given to that dominant feature in determining whether there is a likelihood of confusion. *In re National Data Corp.*, 753 F.2d 1056, 224 USPQ 749 (Fed. Cir. 1985); *Tektronix, Inc. v. Daktronics, Inc.*, 534 F.2d 915, 189 USPQ 693 (C.C.P.A. 1976). *In re J.M. Originals Inc.*, 6 USPQ2d 1393 (TTAB 1987); TMEP §1207.01(b)(viii). The dominant portions are virtually identical in sound appearance and meaning, except for Registration No. 2741252, which simply uses COBBLESTONE in the plural.

Accordingly, since the marks are so similar in sound, appearance and overall commercial impression, confusion as to source is likely.

Comparison of the Goods and Services

Here, the applicant's goods are highly related to the goods and services of the registrants. The applicant's goods are deli meats, cooked deli items, cheese, refrigerated salads, pickles, bagged potato chips, frozen soups and entrees; deli mustard.

The goods in U.S. Registration No. 1037938 are cheese. In this case, applicant also has cheese. Thus it appears that registrant and applicant have identical goods.

The goods in U.S. Registration No. 1920539 are staple goods, namely, hot chocolate and coffee; dairy-based food beverages. The services in U.S. Registration No. 2741252 are restaurant services; catering services; take-out services; providing banquet and social function facilities. Many entities provide both the type of goods or services provided by each registrant as well as the type of goods provided by applicant. In this regard, attached are copies of printouts from the USPTO X-Search database, which show third-party registrations of marks used in connection with the same or similar goods and/or services as those of applicant and the registrants in this case. These printouts have probative value to the extent that they serve to suggest that the goods and/or services listed therein are of a kind that may emanate from a single source. *In re Infinity Broadcasting Corp. of Dallas*, 60 USPQ2d 1214, 1218 (TTAB 2001), citing *In re Albert Trostel & Sons Co.*, 29 USPQ2d 1783, 1785-86 (TTAB 1993); and *In re Mucky Duck Mustard Co., Inc.*, 6 USPQ2d 1467, 1470 at n.6 (TTAB 1988).

Please also note that the goods and/or services of the parties need not be identical or directly competitive to find a likelihood of confusion. Instead, they need only be related in some manner, or the conditions surrounding their marketing be such that they could be encountered by the same purchasers under circumstances that could give rise to the mistaken belief that the goods and/or services come from a common source. *In re Martin's Famous Pastry Shoppe, Inc.*, 748 F.2d 1565, 223 USPQ 1289 (Fed. Cir. 1984); *In re Melville Corp.*, 18 USPQ2d 1386, 1388 (TTAB 1991); *In re Corning Glass Works*, 229 USPQ 65 (TTAB 1985); *In re Rexel Inc.*, 223 USPQ 830 (TTAB 1984); *Guardian Prods. Co., Inc. v. Scott Paper Co.*, 200 USPQ 738 (TTAB 1978); *In re Int'l Tel. & Tel. Corp.*, 197 USPQ 910 (TTAB 1978); TMEP §1207.01(a)(i).

Accordingly, registration must be refused because the average purchaser would be likely to conclude that applicant's goods and the goods and services in the cited registrations emanate from a common source.

Prior Pending Applications

Additionally, information regarding pending Application Serial Nos. 78348740 and 76589400 is enclosed. The effective filing dates of the referenced applications precede the applicant's filing date. There may be a likelihood of confusion under Trademark Act Section 2(d) between applicant's mark and the referenced marks. If one or more of the referenced applications mature into a registration, registration may be refused in this case under Section 2(d). 37 C.F.R. §2.83; TMEP §§1208.01 and 1208.01(b).

Although the trademark examining attorney has refused registration, applicant may respond to the refusal to register by submitting evidence and arguments in support of registration. If applicant chooses to respond to the refusal(s) to register, then applicant must also respond to the following requirement(s).

Identification of Goods

Some of the wording in the identification of goods needs clarification because it is overly broad. Specifically, "cooked deli items" is overly broad. Applicant must specify the common commercial name for the goods. TMEP §1402.01.

"Refrigerated salads" in the identification also is overly broad. In this regard, applicant must specify the type of salads. Please note that some salads, e.g., macaroni salad are in Class 30.

Applicant also must specify the type of frozen entrees. In this regard, please note that some entrees are in Class 30, e.g. frozen entrees consisting primarily of rice.

Applicant may adopt the following identification, if accurate:

Deli meats; cooked deli items, namely, _____ [specify common commercial name for each item]; cheese; refrigerated salads, namely, _____ [specify type, e.g., "salads except macaroni, rice, and pasta salad"]; pickles, bagged potato chips, frozen soups; frozen entrees, namely, entrees consisting primarily of meat, fish, poultry or vegetables, in Class 29

Deli mustard, in Class 30.

Please note that, while the identification of goods may be amended to clarify or limit the goods, adding to the goods or broadening the scope of the goods is not permitted. 37 C.F.R. §2.71(a); TMEP §1402.06. Therefore, applicant may **not amend the identification to include goods that are not within the scope of the goods set forth in the present identification.**

Additionally, please note that fees are based upon the number of classes covered in an application. If applicant adopts a suggested description of goods that covers more than two classes, then an additional fee will be required. In this regard, applicant should note the following multiple-classification requirements.

Multiple-classification Requirements

If applicant prosecutes this application as a combined, or multiple-class application, then applicant must comply with each of the following for those goods and/or services based on an intent to use the mark in commerce under Trademark Act Section 1(b):

- (1) Applicant must list the goods and/or services by international class with the classes listed in ascending numerical order. TMEP § 1403.01; and
- (2) Applicant must submit a filing fee for each international class of goods and/or services not covered by the fee already paid. 37 C.F.R. §2.86(a)(2); TMEP §§810.01 and 1403.01.

Disclaimer

Applicant must disclaim the descriptive wording "MARKET" apart from the mark as shown because it merely describes a feature of applicant's goods. Trademark Act Section 6, 15 U.S.C. §1056; TMEP §§1213 and 1213.03(a). Specifically, it appears the goods will be sold in a market.

The Office can require an applicant to disclaim exclusive rights to an unregistrable part of a mark, rather than refuse registration of the entire mark. Trademark Act Section 6(a), 15 U.S.C. §1056(a). Under Trademark Act Section 2(e), 15 U.S.C. §1052(e), the Office can refuse registration of the entire mark where it is determined that the entire mark is merely descriptive, deceptively misdescriptive, or primarily geographically descriptive of the goods. Thus, the Office may require the disclaimer of a portion of a mark which, when used in connection with the goods or services, is merely descriptive, deceptively misdescriptive, primarily geographically descriptive, or otherwise unregistrable (e.g., generic). TMEP §1213.03(a). If an applicant does not comply with a disclaimer requirement, the Office may refuse registration of the entire mark. TMEP §1213.01(b).

A disclaimer does *not* physically remove the disclaimed matter from the mark, but rather is a written statement that applicant does not claim exclusive rights to the disclaimed wording and/or design separate and apart from the mark as shown in the drawing.

The computerized printing format for the Office's *Trademark Official Gazette* requires a standardized format for a disclaimer. TMEP §1213.08(a)(i). The following is the standard format used by the Office:

No claim is made to the exclusive right to use "MARKET" apart from the mark as shown.

See In re Owatonna Tool Co., 231 USPQ 493 (Comm'r Pats. 1983).

If applicant has any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

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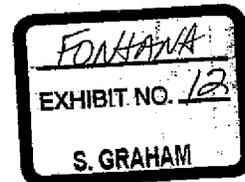
OFFICE RECORDS SEARCH: The Office records have been searched and no similar registered or pending mark has been found that would bar registration under Trademark Act Section 2(d), 15 U.S.C. §1052(d). TMEP §704.02.

ADVISORY - AMENDMENTS TO GOODS/SERVICES: If the identification of goods and/or services has been amended below, any future amendments must be in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §2.71(a) and TMEP §1402.07(e).

AMENDMENT(S) AUTHORIZED: As authorized by Bartt G. Thompson on August 1, 2005, the application is amended as noted below. *If applicant disagrees with or objects to any of the amendments below, please notify the undersigned trademark examining attorney immediately.* Otherwise, no response is necessary. TMEP §707.

Identification of Goods

The identification of goods is amended to read as follows. TMEP §1402.01.



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Deli mustard; cooked deli items, namely, sandwiches, in Class 30.

Please also note that the refusal under Section 2(d) is withdrawn and the citation of the pending applications is withdrawn. The disclaimer of "MARKET" is acknowledged.

If applicant has any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

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KEEP REFRIGERATED

Nutrition Facts	
Serving Size 1/3 cup (28g)	
Servings Per Container About 80	
Amount Per Serving	
Calories 80	Calories from Fat 40
% Daily Value*	
Total Fat 4.5g	7%
Saturated Fat 1g	5%
Trans Fat 1.5g	
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 270mg	11%
Total Carbohydrate 9g	3%
Dietary Fiber 0g	0%
Sugars 3g	
Protein 0g	
Vitamin A 6%	Vitamin C 0%
Calcium 2%	Iron 0%
*Percent Daily Values are based on a diet of 2,000 calories a day. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs.	
Calories	2,000 2,500
Total Fat	Less Than 65g 80g
Sat. Fat	Less Than 20g 25g
Cholesterol	Less Than 300mg 300mg
Sodium	Less Than 2,400mg 2,400mg
Total Carb.	30g 37.5g
Dietary Fiber	25g 30g

INGREDIENTS: WATER, MODIFIED FOOD STARCH, PARTIALLY HYDROGENATED SOYBEAN OIL, WHEY, MALTODEXTRIN, CORN SYRUP, SALT, POTATO STARCH AND POWDERED CELLULOSE ADDED TO PREVENT CLUMPS, GUAR GUM, LOCUST BEAN GUM, CARBAGEEMAN, SODIUM HEXAMETAPHOSPHATE, ENZYME-MODIFIED CHEESE (CULTURED MILK, SOY MILK, WATER, CREAM, SALT, SODIUM CITRATE, SODIUM PHOSPHATE, SORBIC ACID (PRESERVATIVE), LACTIC ACID, CITRIC ACID, ACETIC ACID, ARTIFICIAL COLOR, BETA-CAROTENE, SORBIC ACID (PRESERVATIVE), ARTIFICIAL COLOR, ARTIFICIAL FLAVOR. CONTAINS MILK, SOY.

Marketed by Independent Marketing Alliance Houston, TX 77079

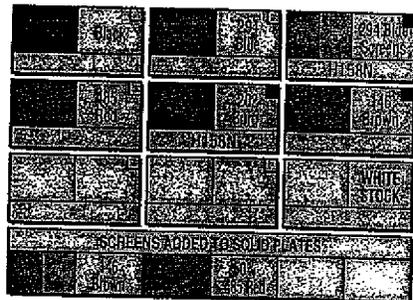
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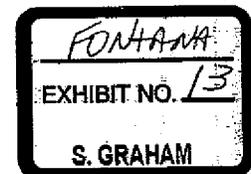
7"

3"



1/16" Bleed
1/8" Corner Radius

- * 20 LB SLAB
- * 5 LB & 10 LB CHUB
- * 2 LB & 5LB INTERNAL SHREDDED



Brand Positioning
Statement

Cobblestone Market

Is the place for delicious

deli meats, cheeses, pickles,

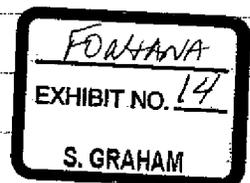
fresh salads, and more

Our premium quality and

consistency will remind

everyone of their favorite

neighborhood deli.

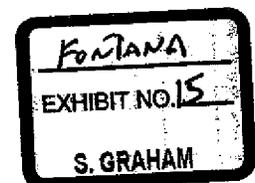


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FLOWERS BAKERIES BRANDS, INC.,)	Opposition No. 91167151
Opposer)	
v.)	In the Matter of Application Serial No. 78/432642
INDEPENDENT MARKETING ALLIANCE LP,)	Mark: COBBLESTONE MARKET
Applicant.)	Filing Date: December 6, 2005 Published: September 20, 2005

APPLICANT'S UNOPPOSED MOTION
FOR LEAVE TO AMEND APPLICATION

Now comes Applicant, Distribution Marketing Services, L.P., formerly Independent Marketing Alliance, L.P., and submits this Unopposed Motion for Leave to Amend Application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §2.133. Applicant seeks to amend its Intent to Use Application ("Application") because Applicant believes it is entitled to registration of the mark, COBBLESTONE MARKET, as amended. Opposer has consented to the proposed amended application but otherwise reserves all rights.

The amendment of any application or registration which is the subject of an inter partes proceeding before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (the "Board") is governed by 37 C.F.R. §2.133. TBMP §514.01. 37 C.F.R. §2.133 permits an applicant to request that the identification of goods and services in its own application be restricted, if such a restriction would avoid likelihood of confusion. *Space Base Inc. v. Stadis Corp.*, 17 USPQ2d 1216 (TTAB 1990). The application will be amended as long as the amendment is supported by or is not inconsistent with evidence adduced at trial. *Id.*

A proposed amendment to any application or registration that is the subject of an inter partes proceeding must also comply with all other applicable rules and statutory provisions. TBMP §514.01. Section 2.71(a) of the Rules of Practice in Trademark Cases permits an applicant to amend its application to clarify or limit, but not broaden, the identification of goods and/or services. 37 C.F.R. §2.71(a). Again, Opposer has consented to the proposed amended application.

Applicant requests that the identification of goods in its Application be amended as follows:

- (a) "~~Deli meats; cooked deli items, namely, soups, and vegetables; cheese; refrigerated salads except macaroni, rice, and pasta salad; pickles; bagged potato chips, frozen soups; frozen entrees, namely, entrees consisting primarily of meat, fish, poultry or vegetables, in Class 29~~"
- (b) "~~Deli mustard; cooked deli items, namely sandwiches, in Class 30~~"

By removing the stricken text above from the identification of goods, the proposed amendment to the Application limits the identification of goods and, therefore, is proper under 37 C.F.R. §2.71. The proposed amendment makes no attempt to broaden the identification of goods or services and the mark, as amended, is not likely to cause confusion with the mark for Opposer's goods.

Applicant believes the Application, as amended, will narrow the issues in dispute before the Board thereby saving time and resources of the parties and the Board. Applicant therefore requests approval of the amendment by the Board. Should the Board find that additional amendment to the Application is necessary, Applicant

respectfully requests that the Board allow Applicant to amend its Application to conform to the findings of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on this the 20th day of October, 2006, a copy of this Unopposed Motion for Leave to Amend Application was served via facsimile upon:

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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
Trademark Trial and Appeal Board
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Mailed: December 8, 2006

Opposition No. 91167151

Flowers Bakeries Brands,
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Alliance LP

Frances S. Wolfson, Interlocutory Attorney:

On October 20, 2006, applicant filed a proposed amendment to its application Serial No. 78432642, with opposer's consent.

By the proposed amendment applicant seeks to change the identification of goods from "Deli meats; cooked deli items, namely, soups, and vegetables; cheese; refrigerated salads except macaroni, rice, and pasta salad; pickles; bagged potato chips, frozen soups; frozen entrees, namely, entrees consisting primarily of meat, fish, poultry or vegetables; Deli mustard; cooked deli items, namely, sandwiches " to "Deli meats; cooked deli items, namely, soups; cheese; refrigerated salads except macaroni, rice, and pasta salad; pickles; bagged potato chips, frozen soups; frozen entrees, namely, entrees consisting primarily of meat, fish, poultry or vegetables."

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Inasmuch as the amendment is clearly limiting in nature as required by Trademark Rule 2.71(b), and because opposer consents thereto, it is approved and entered. See Trademark Rule 2.133(a). Please note that because opposer's written consent to the abandonment is not of record, that *with respect to goods of Class 30 only*, judgment is hereby entered against applicant, the opposition is sustained and registration is refused. See Trademark Rule 2.135; TBMP § 602.01 (2d ed. rev. 2004).

If this resolves the dispute herein, opposer is allowed until thirty days from the mailing date of this order to file a withdrawal of the opposition, failing which the opposition will go forward on the application as amended. See Trademark Rule 2.106(c).

Opposer's consented motion (filed September 20, 2006) for leave to amend the notice of opposition is hereby granted.

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: INDEPENDENT MARKETING ALLIANCE LP

SERIAL NO.: 78/432,642

CLASSES: 29, 30

FILED: June 9, 2004

EXAMINER: Dall, M.

MARK: COBBLESTONE MARKET

LAW OFFICE: 110

AMENDMENT "A"

Commissioner for Trademarks
P.O. Box 1451
Alexandria, VA 22313-1451

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of January 10, 2005, a response being due by July 10, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE APPLICATION

In the identification of the Applicant, please insert the following names of the general partners -- having Distribution Marketing Services GP, L.L.C., a limited liability company of Delaware, as its general partner.--

In the identification of goods in International Class 29, please delete the previous recitations and insert therefor -- Deli meats; cooked deli items, namely, sandwiches, soups, and vegetables; cheese; salads except macaroni, rice, and pasta salad; pickles; bagged potato chips, frozen soups; frozen entrees, namely, entrees consisting primarily of meat, fish, poultry or vegetables, in International Class 29.--

Please insert the following disclaimer -- No claim is made to the exclusive right to use "MARKET" apart from the mark as shown.--



INFORMALITIES

In reply to the Official Action, Applicant has amended the present application so as to comply with the Examiner's requirements. In particular, Applicant has amended the identification of goods in order to comply with the Examiner's suggestions. Applicant has also amended the application to include the name and citizenship of the general partner. Applicant has further included a disclaimer of the descriptive term "MARKET".

REMARKS

In the Official Action, the Examiner has initially refused registration on the Principal Register because of the "likelihood of confusion" of the mark with three prior registered marks. As to each mark, Applicant's attorney disagrees, and believes that the Examiner has failed to make a *prima facie* showing of likelihood of confusion.

I. No likelihood of confusion between Applicant's mark and U.S. Reg. No. 1,037,938

A. The marks are dissimilar in appearance

In making the argument for the rejection as to confusing similarity, the Examiner points to only a portion of the mark, specifically the term "COBBLESTONE". However, Applicant's mark is "COBBLESTONE MARKET" and the cited registrant's mark is "BOSTON COBBLESTONE", as such the mark must be reviewed for likelihood of confusion as a whole and should not be broken into component parts to reach a conclusion of confusing similarity. *In re Hearst Corp.*, 25 U.S.P.Q.2d 1238, 1239 (Fed. Cir. 1992) ("marks tend to be perceived in their entireties, and all components thereof must be given appropriate weight." . . . "When GIRL is given fair weight, along with VARGA, confusion with VARGAS becomes less likely.). It is well established that there is nothing improper, under certain circumstances, to give more or less

weight to a particular portion of a mark. See *In re National Data Corp.*, 753 F.2d 1056, 224 USPQ 749 (Fed.Cir. 1985). The cited registrant's mark is the word mark "BOSTON COBBLESTONE". Applicant's mark is for the word mark "COBBLESTONE MARKET". Accordingly, the marks are obviously not similar in appearance, connotation, or sound. As such, the Applicant feels that the above arguments show that the marks are not similar enough for a finding of a likelihood of confusion.

B. Applicant's mark and the reference mark differ in commercial impression

It is conceded that Applicant's mark and the reference mark share the common term "COBBLESTONE". It is submitted, however, that Applicant's mark and the reference mark differ in commercial impression because an addition, subtraction or substitution of letters or words, may or may not be sufficient to make the marks dissimilar in appearance, depending on the overall commercial impression given to the relevant public. T.M.E.P. § 1207.01(b)(ii). It is also well established that there is nothing improper, under certain circumstances, to give more or less weight to a particular portion of a mark. See *In re National Data Corp.*, 753 F.2d 1056, 224 USPQ 749 (Fed.Cir. 1985).

The cited registrant's mark is a word mark consisting of the term "BOSTON COBBLESTONE" for use in association with cheese. The commercial impression of the cited registrant's mark is the mental image of a northeastern area handmade cheese. The term "COBBLESTONE" is often used to suggest a handcrafted good similar to old cobblestone roads, and the use of the term "BOSTON" is often used as a positive suggestive term for association with the northeastern United States area products. More importantly, since Boston is not particularly known for producing cheese (notice the registrant is a Wisconsin company),

consumers would retain and recognize the "BOSTON" portion of the mark over the laudatory "COBBLESTONE" portion of the mark.

The Applicant's mark is for the term "COBBLESTONE MARKET" in association with deli meats, cooked deli items, cheese, salads pickles, potato chips, soups, entrees, and mustard, in International Classes 29 and 30. The commercial impression is different because the mark "COBBLESTONE MARKET" is a suggestive term used to associate the goods of the Applicant with the impression of handcrafted goods being offered for sale in a market or delicatessen.

The marks "COBBLESTONE MARKET" and "BOSTON COBBLESTONE" are not similar in either appearance, spelling, pronunciation, or commercial impression to the degree to cause confusion between the two. The marks also have distinct meanings that are separate and independent of each other. As can be seen from the above arguments, there is no likelihood of confusion.

C. Third party usage evidence shows that "COBBLESTONE" is a weak mark

The cited registration is for the common term "BOSTON" in conjunction with another common term "COBBLESTONE". The connection between the Applicant's mark and the cited registration which forms the basis of the Examiner's refusal is the same term "COBBLESTONE". The term "COBBLESTONE" in relation to trademarks has a varied and widespread use. The TTAB has given weight to credible and probative evidence of widespread, significant, and unrestrained use by third parties of marks containing elements in common to demonstrate that confusion is not, in fact, likely. *Miles Labs. Inc. v. Naturally Vitamin Supplements Inc.*, 1 U.S.P.Q.2d 1445, 1462 (TTAB 1986). Applicant contends that the mark "COBBLESTONE" is a weak mark which is used to describe numerous goods and services outside of the scope of the

Registrant's goods. The accompanying sample of a TESS list of registrations and applications (80 Records) is probative to demonstrate that the term "COBBLESTONE" has been adopted by a number of other users as a good or service designation. *Attached hereto as Attachment "A"*. In the case of weak marks, even slight differences between the marks may be deemed sufficient to avoid a finding that confusion is likely. *See In re Dayco Products -Eagle Motive Inc.*, 9 U.S.P.Q.2d 1910, 1912 (TTAB 1988) ("As such, we find the term to be a relatively weak mark and we agree with applicant that the scope of protection afforded such a mark is considerably narrower than that afforded a more arbitrary designation."); *see also In re Copytele Inc.*, 31 U.S.P.Q.2d 1540, 1542 (TTAB 1994). The Applicant's mark includes the additional term "MARKET" to make the mark "COBBLESTONE MARKET". Due to the dilute nature of the mark "COBBLESTONE" the scope of protection afforded such a mark is considerably narrower than that afforded a more arbitrary designation. As such, the additions and deletions in the Applicant's mark are as such that the purchasing consumer would not be confused as to the source of the respective goods. The term "COBBLESTONE" is a very dilute mark similar to such a degree that the public is inundated with this term in day to day life on an assortment of goods and services, and therefore it should be granted very narrow protection on this basis. As can be seen from the above arguments, there is no likelihood of confusion.

II. No likelihood of confusion between Applicant's mark and U.S. Reg. No. 1,920,539

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KITCHENS", as such the mark must be reviewed for likelihood of confusion as a whole and should not be broken into component parts to reach a conclusion of confusing similarity. *In re Hearst Corp.*, 25 U.S.P.Q.2d 1238, 1239 (Fed. Cir. 1992) ("marks tend to be perceived in their entireties, and all components thereof must be given appropriate weight." . . . "When GIRL is given fair weight, along with VARGA, confusion with VARGAS becomes less likely.). It is well established that there is nothing improper, under certain circumstances, to give more or less weight to a particular portion of a mark. See *In re National Data Corp.*, 753 F.2d 1056, 224 USPQ 749 (Fed.Cir. 1985). The cited registrant's mark is the word mark "COBBLESTONE KITCHENS". Applicant's mark is for the word mark "COBBLESTONE MARKET". Accordingly, the marks are obviously not similar in appearance, connotation, or sound. As such, the Applicant feels that the above arguments show that the marks are not similar enough for a finding of a likelihood of confusion.

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It is conceded that Applicant's mark and the reference mark share the common term "COBBLESTONE ". It is submitted, however, that Applicant's mark and the reference mark differ in commercial impression because an addition, subtraction or substitution of letters or words, may or may not be sufficient to make the marks dissimilar in appearance, depending on the overall commercial impression given to the relevant public. T.M.E.P. § 1207.01(b)(ii). It is also well established that there is nothing improper, under certain circumstances, to give more or less weight to a particular portion of a mark. See *In re National Data Corp.*, 753 F.2d 1056, 224 USPQ 749 (Fed.Cir. 1985).

The cited registrant's mark is a word mark consisting of the term "COBBLESTONE

KITCHENS" used in association with hot chocolate, coffee, and dairy based beverages. The commercial impression of the cited registrant's mark is the idea of a handmade kitchen or restaurant. The term "COBBLESTONE" is often used to suggest a handcrafted good similar to old cobblestone roads, and the use of the term "KITCHENS" is often used to describe restaurants.

The Applicant's mark is for the term "COBBLESTONE MARKET" in association with deli meats, cooked deli items, cheese, salads pickles, potato chips, soups, entrees, and mustard, in International Classes 29 and 30. The commercial impression is different because the mark "COBBLESTONE MARKET" is a suggestive term used to associate the goods of the Applicant with the impression of handcrafted goods being offered for sale in a market or delicatessen.

The marks "COBBLESTONE MARKET" and "COBBLESTONE KITCHENS" are not similar in either appearance, spelling, pronunciation, or commercial impression to the degree to cause confusion between the two. The marks also have distinct meanings that are separate and independent of each other. As can be seen from the above arguments, there is no likelihood of confusion.

C. Different channels of trade

Relatedness, or channels of trade, means, in this context, that the goods or services of applicant and the registrant are related in some manner or some circumstance surrounding the marketing such that they are likely to be encountered by the relevant public under circumstances that will give rise to the mistaken belief that they originate from or in some way are associated with or sponsored by the same producer. The nature of the respective party's goods or services, and thus their relatedness, is determined on the basis of the goods or services set forth in the

application or registration. *In re Dixie Restaurants Inc.*, 41 U.S.P.Q.2d 1531, 1534 (Fed. Cir. 1997)("Indeed, the second *DuPont* factor expressly mandates consideration of the similarity or dissimilarity of the services as described in an application or registration."). Applicant's channels of trade are limited to deli meats, cooked deli items, cheese, salads pickles, potato chips, soups, entrees, and mustard. The cited registrant's channels of trade are for restricted to hot chocolate, coffee, and dairy based beverages. These goods are not related in function and would never be purchased at the same time, nor would they be encountered by the relevant public under circumstances that will give rise to the mistaken belief that they originate from or in some way are associated with or sponsored by the same producer.

The Examiner is correct in stating that the goods need not be identical or directly competitive to find confusion, as they need only be related in some matter that they could be encountered by the same purchasers under circumstances that could give rise to the mistaken belief that the goods come from a common source. The Applicant respectfully asserts that the Examiner is incorrect in stating "The goods of the applicant and of the registrants' are similar if not identical in that all of the marks in question are for health consumable related items...The goods of the applicant and of the registrant are likely to travel in the same channels of trade, namely, health food stores, grocery stores, et al.". See *Examiner's Official Action at Page 2*. The Applicant respectfully disagrees with this reasoning. By using this same rationale, it could be said that a purchaser at a large store could come into contact with goods as different as a bottle of aspirin and a package of ground beef. Is a consumer going to be confused between a company that makes aspirin and a company that packages ground beef as to believe they come from the same source? The answer is no. This same rationale would support a finding of a likelihood of

confusion between the cited registrant's goods and such varied goods as bread, beer and salad dressing....etc. Just because the Applicant's goods and the cited registrant's goods may be orally consumed by humans does not mean these goods travel in the same channels of trade. Nor does the fact that a modern supermarket with goods as various as makeup and dog food support that the goods travel in the same channels of trade. It is well settled that the fundamental inquiry mandated by §2(d) goes to the cumulative effect of differences in the essential characteristics of the goods and differences in the marks." *See Federated Foods, Inc. v. Fort Howard Paper Co.*, 544 F.2d 1098, 192 USPQ 24, 29 (CCPA 1976). A wide variety of products, not only from different manufacturers within an industry, but also from diverse industries, have been brought together in the modern supermarket for the convenience of the consumer. The mere existence of such an environment should not foreclose further inquiry into the likelihood of confusion arising from the use of similar marks on any goods so displayed. *See Id.* As such, as can be seen from the above arguments, there is no likelihood of confusion.

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USPQ 749 (Fed.Cir. 1985).

The cited registrant's mark is a word mark consisting of the term "COBBLESTONE RESTAURANT & BAR" used in association with restaurant services. The commercial impression of the cited registrant's mark is the idea of an old eatery and bar. The term "COBBLESTONE" is often used to suggest a handcrafted good similar to old cobblestone roads, and the use of the term "RESTAURANT & BAR" is obviously used to describe restaurant and bar services.

The Applicant's mark is for the term "COBBLESTONE MARKET" in association with deli meats, cooked deli items, cheese, salads pickles, potato chips, soups, entrees, and mustard, in International Classes 29 and 30. The commercial impression is different because the mark "COBBLESTONE MARKET" is a suggestive term used to associate the goods of the Applicant with the impression of handcrafted goods being offered for sale in a market or delicatessen.

The marks "COBBLESTONE MARKET" and "COBBLESTONE RESTAURANT & BAR" are not similar in either appearance, spelling, pronunciation, or commercial impression to the degree to cause confusion between the two. The marks also have distinct meanings that are separate and independent of each other. As can be seen from the above arguments, there is no likelihood of confusion.

C. Different channels of trade

Relatedness, or channels of trade, means, in this context, that the goods or services of applicant and the registrant are related in some manner or some circumstance surrounding the marketing such that they are likely to be encountered by the relevant public under circumstances that will give rise to the mistaken belief that they originate from or in some way are associated

with or sponsored by the same producer. The nature of the respective party's goods or services, and thus their relatedness, is determined on the basis of the goods or services set forth in the application or registration. *In re Dixie Restaurants Inc.*, 41 U.S.P.Q.2d 1531, 1534 (Fed. Cir. 1997)("Indeed, the second *DuPont* factor expressly mandates consideration of the similarity or dissimilarity of the services as described in an application or registration."). Applicant's channels of trade are limited to deli meats, cooked deli items, cheese, salads pickles, potato chips, soups, entrees, and mustard. The cited registrant's channels of trade are for restricted to restaurant services. There is no *per se* rule which mandates a finding that confusion is likely whenever foods and restaurant services are sold under similar marks. *See, e.g.: Jacobs v. International Multifoods Corp.*, 668 F.2d 1234, 212 USPQ 641 (CCPA 1982) [no likelihood of confusion between BOSTON TEA PARTY for tea and BOSTON SEA PARTY for restaurant services; "a party must show something more than that similar or even identical marks are used for food products and for restaurant services"]; and *In re Central Soya Company, Inc.*, 220 USPQ 914 (TTAB 1984) [no likelihood of confusion between POSADA (stylized) for Mexican style prepared frozen enchiladas and LA POSADA for lodging and restaurant services]. The Examiner has not shown the requisite "something more" other than the alleged similar marks used for food products and restaurant services. These goods and services are not related in function and would never be purchased at the same time, nor would they be encountered by the relevant public under circumstances that will give rise to the mistaken belief that they originate from or in some way are associated with or sponsored by the same producer. It is well settled that the fundamental inquiry mandated by §2(d) goes to the cumulative effect of differences in the essential characteristics of the goods and differences in the marks." *See Federated Foods*,

Inc. v. Fort Howard Paper Co., 544 F.2d 1098, 192 USPQ 24, 29 (CCPA 1976). As such, as can be seen from the above arguments, there is no likelihood of confusion.

D. Third party usage evidence shows that "COBBLESTONE" is a weak mark

The cited registration is for the common word "COBBLESTONE" in conjunction with another common term "RESTAURANT & BAR". The connection between the Applicant's mark and the cited registration which forms the basis of the Examiners refusal is the same term "COBBLESTONE". The term "COBBLESTONE" in relation to trademarks has a varied and widespread use. The TTAB has given weight to credible and probative evidence of widespread, significant, and unrestrained use by third parties of marks containing elements in common to demonstrate that confusion is not, in fact, likely. *Miles Labs. Inc. v. Naturally Vitamin Supplements Inc.*, 1 U.S.P.Q.2d 1445, 1462 (TTAB 1986). Applicant contends that the mark "COBBLESTONE" is a weak mark which is used to describe numerous goods and services outside of the scope of the Registrant's goods. The accompanying sample of a *TESS* list of registrations and applications (80 Records) is probative to demonstrate that the term "COBBLESTONE" has been adopted by a number of other users as a good or service designation. *Attached hereto as Attachment "A"*. In the case of weak marks, even slight differences between the marks may be deemed sufficient to avoid a finding that confusion is likely. *See In re Dayco Products -Eagle Motive Inc.*, 9 U.S.P.Q.2d 1910, 1912 (TTAB 1988) ("As such, we find the term to be a relatively weak mark and we agree with applicant that the scope of protection afforded such a mark is considerably narrower than that afforded a more arbitrary designation."); *see also In re Copytele Inc.*, 31 U.S.P.Q.2d 1540, 1542 (TTAB 1994). The Applicant's mark includes the additional term "MARKET" to make the mark "COBBLESTONE

MARKET". Due to the dilute nature of the mark "COBBLESTONE" the scope of protection afforded such a mark is considerably narrower than that afforded a more arbitrary designation. As such, the additions and deletions in the Applicant's mark are as such that the purchasing consumer would not be confused as to the source of the respective goods. The term "COBBLESTONE" is a very dilute mark similar to such a degree that the public is inundated with this term in day to day life on an assortment of goods and services, and therefore it should be granted very narrow protection on this basis. As can be seen from the above arguments, there is no likelihood of confusion.

IV. Conclusion

Based on the foregoing analysis, Applicant requests that the Examiner reconsider the original rejection of this application. As such, Applicant believes there will be no buyer confusion as to the source of the goods and services and respectfully requests that the present mark be passed to publication at an early date.

Respectfully submitted,

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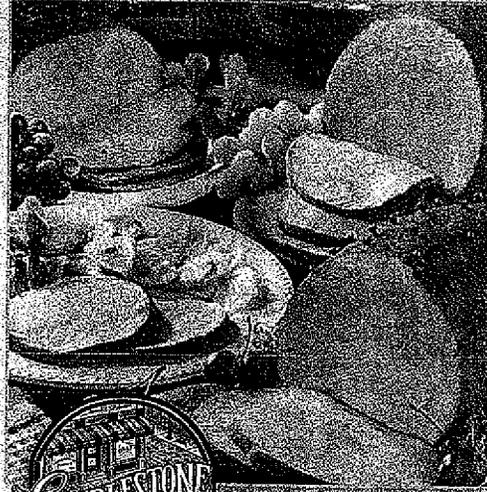


Natural texture and homestyle taste

*Already roasted or ready to cook
Skinless or skin on
Roast and breast sizes
Customer favorite*

Cobblestone Market™ whole turkey products feature what you like best. Whether already roasted or ready to cook, count on us to make turkey convenient for you and appealing to patrons. Breasts and roasts can be sliced thick or thin, diced or julienne cut; they're great for everything from traditional sandwiches and wraps to party trays, entrées, soups and salads. Serve Cobblestone Market turkey with confidence in its flavor, quality—and profit potential.

TURKEY



Old-fashioned goodness for your latest applications

*A real crowd-pleaser
Many whole-product choices, plus diced and chopped
Slow-smoked, tender and juicy*

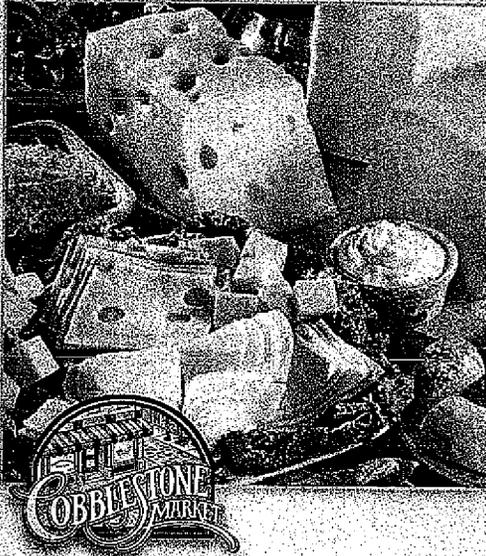
The slow-cured, savory flavor of Cobblestone Market™ ham. Our hams get the old-fashioned treatment, with natural hardwood smoking for delicious taste and tender texture. Our complete line of superior-quality, fully-cooked products makes it simple to offer great gourmet sandwiches, delightful salads and excellent entrées. Cobblestone Market is your choice for great tasting, versatile ham—and satisfied customers.

HAM

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*Your one-stop shop
for quality cheeses*

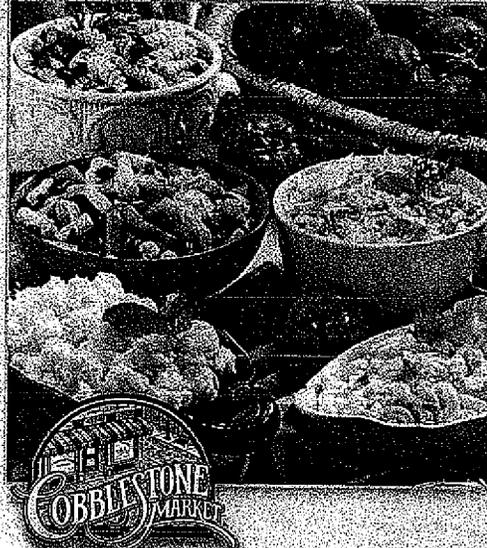
*All the most
popular flavors*

*Sliced, shredded
and blocks*

*Adds perceived
value as well as
taste benefits*

It's Cobblestone Market™. Superior quality, fresh flavor and wholesome ingredients—Cobblestone Market Brand offers nothing less. Plus versatile options such as Provelone, Swiss, Cheddar, American and Blue Cheese. Visit Cobblestone Market to stock up on delicious cheese for any time or any application, from wraps to salads, sandwiches to party trays.

CHEESE



*Add color, convenience and
variety to your menu*

*Incredible selection
of favorites*

*Premium, fresh
ingredients*

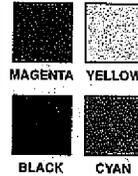
*Quality sides
increase the value of
soups, sandwiches*

With Cobblestone Market™ prepared salads, only high quality, fresh ingredients are used. We ensure the finest flavor and texture in a quick, open-and-serve format for all your business needs. On-trend recipes, whether traditional favorites or bold ethnic flavors, are carefully researched and time-tested. You can offer your customers distinctive salad choices—just open and serve Cobblestone Market salads.

PREPARED SALADS

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*Trimmed, seasoned,
and cooked just right*

*USDA Choice and Select
Premium sandwich choices
Homestyle taste for
foodservice needs
Whole product presents well*

Cobblestone Market™ pot roast and prime rib are roasted with your customers' high expectations always in mind. Our roast beef, corned beef and pastrami are every bit as delicious—and just as convenient. It's easy to offer wonderful COP presentations, spectacular sandwiches, pleasing appetizers and delightful deli trays with Cobblestone Market.

PREMIUM MEATS



*Sliced meats that
will always please*

*Save prep time and labor
Authentic deli flavor and
eye appeal
Great portion control*

Cobblestone Market™ makes a great sandwich, terrific party tray or impressive appetizer. We select premium cuts of meat, then trim, cook, season and slice them—for your satisfaction and convenience. From turkey to ham to roast beef, a variety of delicious options and handy pack sizes will meet your needs. Cobblestone Market Brand is the choice for sliced meats.

SLICED MEATS

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A warm bowl of satisfying soup is a cinch

*Traditional and trendy options
Made-from-scratch flavor and appearance
No chopping or cooking!*

We start with fresh, premium ingredients. Then preserve all that goodness in our state-of-the-art freezing process. Whether you select boil-in-bag options or add your own water or milk, you'll find our selection perfect for soup du jour, a soup-and-salad bar, or the regular menu. Cobblestone Market™ soups help you save time and labor without compromising quality.

SOUPS



Pickles are a deli tradition

*Whole, spears and chips
Customer-pleasing, fresh taste
Convenient pack sizes!*

Crisp and delicious is the best way to describe Cobblestone Market™ pickles. As an accompaniment, ingredient or condiment, our pickles add authentic flavor to deli favorites. Accent sandwiches, appetizers, salads and relish trays with the tasty crunch that we know and love. The best deli items come with Cobblestone Market pickles.

PICKLES

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KIT #1

Great Basic Setup

- A. 1 Wall Poster (choose from 6)
- B. 1 Counter Talker (choose from 6)
- C. 1 Pickle Jar
- D. 5 Visors
- E. 5 Hats
- F. 12 Price Tags
- G. 12 Price Tag Holders
- H. 1 Door Static Cling 11" x 17" Reverse
- I. 2 Window Static Clings 4" x 5.5"
- J. 5 Aprons

KIT #2

Impress Customers

- A. 3 Wall Posters (choose from 6)
- B. 2 Counter Talkers (choose from 6)
- C. 1 Pickle Jar
- D. 8 Visors
- E. 8 Hats
- F. 24 Price Tags
- G. 24 Price Tag Holders
- H. 1 Door Static Cling 11" x 17" Reverse
- I. 4 Window Static Clings 4" x 5.5"
- J. 8 Aprons
- K. 1 Ceiling Dangler 11" circle, 4/C logo
- L. 5 Deli Case Static Clings 17" x 5.5"

KIT #3

Everything You Need

- A. 4 Wall Posters (choose from 6)
- B. 2 Counter Talkers (choose from 6)
- C. 1 Pickle Jar
- D. 10 Visors
- E. 10 Hats
- F. 24 Price Tags
- G. 24 Price Tag Holders
- H. 1 Door Static Cling 11" x 17" Reverse
- I. 4 Window Static Clings 4" x 5.5"
- J. 10 Aprons
- K. 2 Ceiling Dangers 11" circle, 4/C logo
- L. 10 Deli Case Static Clings 17" x 5.5"
- M. 1 Flexible Outdoor Sign 3' x 5' single sided w/banquet graphics
- N. 1 Center Menu Board 20" x 37.5" 4/C logo
- O. 2 Side Menu Boards 20" x 32" 1/C logo
- P. 25 2.25" Server Beltons

a la Carte

- Q. Sandwich Wrap 14" x 14", grease-resistant
- R. Table Umbrella 105" x 86", 1/C logo
- S. Navy 50/50 Blend T-shirt 1/C logo
- T. Navy 65/35 Plique Knit Polo Shirt 4/C logo
- U. Luncheon Napkins 13" x 17", 2-ply, 16 fold 1/C logo
- V. Sandwich Wrap Stickers 2" 500 roll, 1/C logo

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COBBLESTONE MARKET

PREMIUM DELI QUALITY

Exclusive Deli Offerings & Merchandising Kits

Traditional deli offerings with premium quality and time-honored taste.

Welcome to Cobblestone Market™, the place for classic deli delights. You will enjoy savoring a wide variety of favorites, created with all the flavor offered by the old-fashioned neighborhood deli.

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Counter Talker (choose from 6, enter quantity in the spaces provided) ___ Pickles ___ Sliced Meats ___ Ham ___ Prepared Salads ___ Turkey ___ Cheese			
Pickle Jar			
Visor - Blue, 1/C logo			
Hat - Blue, 1/C logo			
Price Tag			
Price Tag Holder			
Door Static Cling - 11" x 17" reverse			
Window Static Cling - 4" x 5.5"			
Apron - Blue, 1/C logo			
Ceiling Dangler - 11" circle, 4/C logo on both sides & string hole			
Deli Case Static Cling - 17" x 5.5", 4/C logo with blue background			
Flexible Outdoor Sign - 3' x 5' single sided w/ banner grommets			
Center Menu Board - 20" x 37.5", 4/C logo			
Side Menu Board - 20" x 32", 1/C logo			
Server Button - 2.25" round, white, 1/C logo			
a la Carte Additional Items Available			
T-shirt - 50/50 blend, blue, 1/C logo (indicate size and quantity) ___ Small ___ Medium ___ Large ___ X-Large			
Polo Shirt - 65/35 pique knit, blue, 4/C logo (indicate size and quantity) ___ Small ___ Medium ___ Large ___ X-Large			
Table Umbrella - 105" x 56", 1/C logo			
Luncheon Napkins - 13" x 17", 2-ply, 1/C logo, 1/6 fold			
Sandwich Wrap - 14" x 14", white, grease resistant			
Sandwich Wrap Stickers - 2" oval, 500 roll, 1/C logo			
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 Company _____
 Street Address _____
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KITS	PRICE
KIT 1: Great Basic Setup 1 Wall Poster (choose 1 from 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Pickles <input type="checkbox"/> Sliced Meats <input type="checkbox"/> Ham <input type="checkbox"/> Prepared Salads <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey <input type="checkbox"/> Cheese 1 Counter Talker (choose 1 from 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Pickles <input type="checkbox"/> Sliced Meats <input type="checkbox"/> Ham <input type="checkbox"/> Prepared Salads <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey <input type="checkbox"/> Cheese 1 Pickle Jar, 5 Visors, 5 Hats, 5 Aprons, 12 Price Tags, 12 Price Tag Holders, 1 Door Static Cling, 2 Window Static Clings	\$XXX.XX <input type="checkbox"/>
KIT 2: Impress Customers 3 Wall Posters (choose 3 from 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Pickles <input type="checkbox"/> Sliced Meats <input type="checkbox"/> Ham <input type="checkbox"/> Prepared Salads <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey <input type="checkbox"/> Cheese 2 Counter Talkers (choose 2 from 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Pickles <input type="checkbox"/> Sliced Meats <input type="checkbox"/> Ham <input type="checkbox"/> Prepared Salads <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey <input type="checkbox"/> Cheese 1 Pickle Jar, 8 Visors, 8 Hats, 8 Aprons, 24 Price Tags, 24 Price Tag Holders, 1 Door Static Cling, 4 Window Static Clings, 1 Ceiling Dangler, 5 Deli Case Static Clings	\$XXX.XX <input type="checkbox"/>
KIT 3: Everything You Need 4 Wall Posters (choose 4 from 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Pickles <input type="checkbox"/> Sliced Meats <input type="checkbox"/> Ham <input type="checkbox"/> Prepared Salads <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey <input type="checkbox"/> Cheese 2 Counter Talkers (choose 2 from 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Pickles <input type="checkbox"/> Sliced Meats <input type="checkbox"/> Ham <input type="checkbox"/> Prepared Salads <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey <input type="checkbox"/> Cheese 1 Pickle Jar, 10 Visors, 10 Hats, 10 Aprons, 24 Price Tags, 24 Price Tag Holders, 1 Door Static Cling, 4 Window Static Clings, 2 Ceiling Dangers, 10 Deli Case Static Clings, 1 Flexible Outdoor Sign, 1 Center Menu Board, 2 Side Menu Boards, 25 Server Buttons	\$XXX.XX <input type="checkbox"/>

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