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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

| Constellation Wines U.S., Inc., |            | ) Opposition No. 91190642     |
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|                                 |            | ) Serial No.: 77/630,676      |
|                                 | Opposer,   | )                             |
|                                 | • •        | ) APPLICANT ASV WINES, INC.'S |
| vs.                             |            | ) REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION   |
|                                 |            | ) OF STIPULATION ON TIMING    |
| ASV Wines, Inc.,                |            | ) OF TAKING OF DEPOSITIONS    |
|                                 |            | ) NOTICED BY APPLICANT        |
|                                 | Applicant. | )                             |
|                                 |            | )                             |

# APPLICANT'S ASV'S WINES, INC.'S REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION OF STIPULATION ON TIMING OF TAKING DEPOSITIONS NOTICED BY APPLICANT

On Friday, July 9, the Board, via a telephone conference with the Interlocutory Attorney, heard the motion of Opposer, Constellation Wines U.S. Inc.'s ("Opposer") motion to appear at Applicant ASV Wines Inc.'s ("Applicant's) noticed depositions of Opposer's witnesses by telephone. Applicant opposed and counter-moved for suspension of the discovery period to allow for the orderly taking of the noticed depositions. Opposer opposed the motion to suspend, but offered to stipulate that the noticed depositions could be taken after the close of the discovery period, which ends one week from today, Monday, July 26. Applicant agreed to this stipulation.

The Board denied Applicant's motion to extend the discovery period, which is set to close in one week, or by July 26, 2010.

Opposer thereafter drafted a stipulation for both parties to sign effectuating the agreement on the extension of the dates for the taking of depositions. That form of stipulation is attached as Exhibit A. This form of stipulation contains extraneous matter, including the right of Opposer to

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notice its own Rule 30(b)(6) witness of Applicant and other extraneous matter.

Applicant objected to the form of stipulation and redacted the objectionable portions. That form of stipulation is attached as Exhibit B.

Last Friday, July 16 at 4:57 (Pacific time) counsel for Opposer unequivocally rejected the revised stipulation and refused to enter into any stipulation other than the one it had drafted, which is objectionable.

Opposer also advised, unilaterally, without consulting with counsel for Applicant about dates or times of mutual convenience that noticed witnesses would be available tomorrow, July 20, and Thursday July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Additionally on Friday, Opposer identified for the first time, an additional witness, John Maxwell, as most knowledgeable on certain subjects that Applicant has identified, and made that witness available on July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Applicant wishes to co-ordinate the taking of these depositions in an orderly manner with opposing counsel, and at the convenience of the witnesses. All of the witnesses appear to be in Northern California, within 50 miles of Applicant's counsel's office.

In addition, Applicant prefers to take these depositions after the receipt of documents requested in its First and Second Requests for Production of Documents and in its Rule30(b)(6) notice of deposition. Response to the first set is delinquent – only 8 documents have been produced. Response to the Second set is due July 30. Documents may be produced by a witness in connection with a deposition after 30 days. Rule 34. Applicant wishes the 30(b)(6) witnesses to appear with documents, if not produced sooner, in compliance with the Rules of Civil Procedure if the depositions take place on or after 30 days after the notice of these depositions.

Emails between counsel on the subject of production of documents are attached as Exhibit C.

Applicant requests the Board to issue an order allowing for the taking of depositions after

the close of discovery, or after July 26, 2010, at a mutually convenient date and time for the witnesses, Opposer's counsel and Applicant's counsel and after the production of documents.

Respectfully submitted,

HIARING+SMITH LLC

Dated: July 19, 2010

Anne Hiaring Hocking, Esq.

Vijay Toke, Esq.

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Attorneys for Applicant

# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY EMAIL; FOLLOW UP COPY BY FIRST CLASS MAIL

# This is to certify that one copy of the foregoing APPLICANT'S ASV's WINES, INC.'S REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION OF STIPULATION ON TIMING OF TAKING DEPOSITIONS NOTICED BY APPLICANT

Was emailed, to Opposer's counsel, with follow up copy depositied this day by first class mail, postage prepaid, to;

Signed:

Stephen J. Baker, Esq. Moira J. Selenka, Esq. Baker and Rannells, PA 575 Route 28, Suite 102 Raritan, NJ 08869

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Attorneys for Opposer

Dated: July 19, 2010

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

CONSTELLATION WINES U.S., INC.

Opposition No. 91190642

Opposer,

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Serial No.

77/630,676

ASV WINES, INC.

Applicant.

## STIPULATION REGARDING DEPOSITIONS

WHEREAS discovery is set to close in Opposition Number 91190642 on July 26, 2010; WHEREAS on July 2, 2010 Applicant served the following notices of deposition on attorneys for Opposer:

- Kenneth Volk July 14, 2010 in San Luis Obispo, California 3<sup>rd</sup> party predecessor in interest to Opposer
- Ken Minami July 16, 2010 in Raritan, New Jersey general counsel to Opposer
- 3. Christine Lilienthal July 20, 2010 in San Rafael, California
- 4. Shayne Kline July 21, 2010 in San Luis Obispo, California
- 5. Jeremy Philips July 21, 2010 in San Luis Obispo, California
- Peak Wines International, Inc. (no individual designated July 22 in San Rafael, California
- 7. 30(b)(6) witness of Opposer undated

WHEREAS the demands for the production of documents included in the Exhibits attached to said notices of deposition were improper as untimely as the notices of deposition provided depositions dates less than the thirty (30) days in advance as required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 34; and

WHEREAS in a telephone conference with the Interlocutory Attorney assigned to this matter on July 9, 2010, the parties agreed to stipulate that the noticed depositions could be taken

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on dates that occur after the close of discovery with the proviso that the rules as would have been applied on July 9, 2010 will be applied to the noticed depositions, making the demand for documents untimely;

In consideration of the above, Opposer, Constellation Wines U.S., Inc. ("Opposer") and Applicant, ASV Wines, Inc., ("Applicant") hereby stipulate to the noticing of discovery depositions outside the discovery period, limited to the witnesses already noticed by Applicant and allowing Opposer to notice one 30(b)(6) witness deposition. Opposer and Applicant also stipulate that the Federal Rules regarding depositions are in effect as of the date of execution of this stipulation including the resulting effect of Applicant's failure to provide for at least thirty (30) days time for document production by the noticed witnesses for any depositions noticed after the discovery period ends.

Date: July\_\_\_, 2010

Stephen L. Baker Baker & Rannells, P.A. 575 Route 28, Suite 102 Raritan, New Jersey 08869 Attorneys for Opposer

Date: July\_\_, 2010

Anne Hiaring Hocking, Esq. Hiaring & Smith 711 Grand Avenue, Suite 260 San Rafael, CA 94901 Attorneys for Applicant

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In The Matter Of Application Serial No. 77/630,676

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Publication Date: April 14, 2009

CONSTELLATION WINES U.S., Inc.,

OPPOSITION NO. 91190642

Opposer,

STIPULATION REGARDING

DEPOSITIONS

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ASV WINES, INC.,

Applicant.

# STIPULATION REGARDING DEPOSITIONS

WHEREAS discovery is set to close in Opposition Number 91190642 on July 26, 2010;
WHEREAS on July 1, 2010 Applicant ASV Wines, Inc. ("Applicant") served the
following notices of deposition on attorneys for Opposer Constellation Wines U.S., Inc.
("Opposer"):

- Ken Minami July 16, 2010 in Raritan, New Jersey general counsel to Opposer;
- 2. Christine Lilienthal July 20, 2010 in San Rafael, California;
- 3. Shayne Kline July 21, 2010 in San Luis Obispo, California;
- 4. Jeremy Philips July 21, 2010 in San Luis Obispo, California; and
- 5. 30(b)(6) witness of Opposer undated;

WHEREAS on July 1 and 2, 2010 Applicant served the following notices of deposition subpoenas on attorneys for Opposer:



- 1. Kenneth Volk July 14, 2010 in San Luis Obispo, California 3<sup>rd</sup> party predecessor in interest to Opposer;
- Peak Wines International, Inc. (no individual designated) July 22, 2010 in San Rafael, California; and
- 3. Christine Lilienthal July 20, 2010 in San Rafael, California;

WHEREAS on July 6, 2010 Applicant served on attorneys for Opposer an Amended Notice of Deposition of Person Most Knowledgeable Pursuant to FRCP 30(b)(6) for July 16, 2010 in Raritan, New Jersey;

WHEREAS in a telephone conference with the Interlocutory Attorney assigned to this matter on July 9, 2010, Opposer asked for and Applicant agreed that the the noticed depositions, with the exception of the Volk deposition, could be taken after the close of discovery, with mutual cooperation on the location and timing of the depositions.

In consideration of the above, Opposer and Applicant hereby stipulate to the taking of discovery depositions outside the discovery period, limited to the witnesses already noticed by Applicant.

This stipulation does not relieve Opposer of its obligations to respond to outstanding discovery served by Applicant, nor to comply with the terms of the noticed depositions, including production of documents, provided the depositions are taken on or after thirty(30) days of their notice.

|     | BAKER & RANNELLS, P.A. |     | HIARING + SMITH, LLP      |
|-----|------------------------|-----|---------------------------|
| Ву: |                        | Ву: |                           |
| ·   | Stephen L. Baker, Esq  |     | Anne Hiaring Hocking, Esq |
|     | Moira J Selinka, Esq   |     | Carol L. Smith, Esq.      |

Linda Kurth, Esq 575 Route 28, Suite 102 Raritan, New Jersey 08869

Attorneys for Opposer

Vijay K. Toke, Esq Kristin Newman de la Vega, Esq. 101 Lucas Valley Road, Suite 300 San Rafael, CA 94903

Attorneys for Applicant

| Dated: | ,2010 | Dated: | , 2010 |
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## Meghan Auerswald

From:

Moira Selinka [m.selinka@br-tmlaw.com]

Sent:

Friday, July 16, 2010 2:26 PM

To:

Anne Hiaring Hocking; Vijay Toke; Kristin de la Vega s.baker@br-tmlaw.com; n.friedman@br-tmlaw.com

Cc: Subject:

FW: Stipulation Per Interlocutory Conference on July 9

#### Dear Anne:

Further to our email below, following is the last known address of Jeremy Philips: 3916 Lantana Ln., Napa, CA 94558.

Sincerely, Moira Selinka

From: Moira Selinka [mailto:m.selinka@br-tmlaw.com]

**Sent:** Friday, July 16, 2010 4:57 PM

To: 'Anne Hiaring Hocking'

Cc: 'Vijay Toke'; 'Kristin de la Vega'; 's.baker@br-tmlaw.com'; 'n.friedman@br-tmlaw.com'

Subject: RE: Stipulation Per Interlocutory Conference on July 9

#### Dear Anne:

We reject the form of stipulation you have attached (see Steve Baker's explanation to you of yesterday evening) and we expect that the depositions will be completed before the close of discovery unless you agree to sign the stipulation we first proposed (with the correction to the dates the notices of deps were served as we previously discussed).

Please be advised that our client has informed us that Jeremy Philips is no longer employed with Wild Horse. We understand that he now works for Foley Family Wines in Sonoma, CA. We have asked our client for his last known address. If you intend to subpoena him, please inform us.

Ken Minami will be available on Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 p.m. Pacific time. We will notify you as soon as we have a date and time when our 30(b)(6) witness will be available.

Although July 20<sup>th</sup> complicates her schedule, Christine Lilienthal will make herself available for the deposition at 9:00 a.m. Pacific time.

Also—as you have asked us to do—please address all of your future emails to both Steve Baker and I, not just some to him and some to me. Thank you.

Sincerely, Moira Selinka

From: Anne Hiaring Hocking [mailto:Anne@Hiaringsmith.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 3:05 PM

To: Moira Selinka

Cc: Vijay Toke; Anne Hiaring Hocking; Kristin de la Vega Subject: Stipulation Per Interlocutory Conference on July 9

Dear Moira: we attach a form of stipulation without redlines. It is short enough to review we think. The stipulation revises the form of stipulation that your office agreed to draft after the agreement, during the July 9 interlocutory conference, to hold the noticed depositions outside the discovery period, or after July 26, 2010. This request to hold the depositions outside the discovery period was made by Steve Baker during the conference in response to ASV's request



to extend the discovery period for 30 days. As the Interlocutory Attorney favored this approach, ASV readily agreed. Please sign and date the stipulation and send it to me for signature. I will return it to you for filing with the Board. We look forward to hearing alternate dates and times. As stated, we wish to begin with Ken Minami, who appears to have an office in San Francisco, per the records of the State Bar of California. We propose to hold the deposition in our offices. Please advise the dates and times of Mr. Minami's availability. Thanks very much. Anne

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## Meghan Auerswald

From:

s.baker@br-tmlaw.com

Sent: To:

Thursday, July 15, 2010 4:12 PM Anne Hiaring Hocking; Moria Selinka

Cc:

Vijay Toke; Kristin de la Vega

Subject:

Re: Depositions of Constellation Witnesses with Requests for Production of

Documents PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT

COMMUNICATION

Follow Up Flag:

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You have a bad habit of mischaracterizing took place. I refused to extent discovery. I did say we would allow for deposition after the close of discovery, but only we came to an agreed stipulation, which has not happened. Review Moria's stip and correspondence as the same accurately reflects what took place.

The deps will have to take place before the close of discovery unless you agree to out terms. Its illogical to think we requested that the deps take place after the close given we can attend by phone. It is you that sought the extension, not us

Sent via BlackBerry from T-Mobile

From: "Anne Hiaring Hocking" < Anne@Hiaringsmith.com>

Date: Thu, 15 Jul 2010 15:35:22 -0700

To: <s.baker@br-tmlaw.com>

Cc: Vijay Toke<vijay@Hiaringsmith.com>; Anne Hiaring Hocking<Anne@Hiaringsmith.com>; Kristin de la

Vega<kristin@Hiaringsmith.com>

Subject: RE: Depositions of Constellation Witnesses with Requests for Production of Documents

PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT COMMUNICATION

Steve: we do anticipate holding the depositions, barring settlement. Please provide the dates and times of availability of the noticed witnesses at your earliest opportunity. We did stipulate orally in the presence of the interlocutory attorney to the taking of depositions after the close of the discovery period – at your specific request. I am confident that ASV's view of the matter will be upheld by the Interlocutory Attorney and that depositions will properly go forward, as stipulated to, after July 26. Accordingly, dates and times of mutual convenience are needed to proceed.



Thank you very much for your thoughtful suggestions on how agreement may be reached. I will wait to hear back from you on Items 3 and 4 and the open question on process. With best personal regards, Anne

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From: Stephen L. Baker [mailto:s.baker@br-tmlaw.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, July 15, 2010 2:52 PM **To:** Anne Hiaring Hocking; Moira Selinka

Cc: Anne Hiaring Hocking; Kristin de la Vega; Vijay Toke

Subject: RE: Depositions of Constellation Witnesses with Requests for Production of Documents

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#### Anne:

You are wrong on all counts. We only asked to attend depositions by phone. Our request was granted. You moved for an extension of discovery generally. Your request was denied. Our position is clearly set forth in the stipulation and correspondence sent to you by Moira.

Should the depositions go forward, we are prepared to attend by telephone in accordance with the Board's Order. If you unilaterally decide to cancel the depositions as noticed, that is your decision to make. Absent a stipulation, no deposition will be taken after the close of discovery. However, if your client will agree to the following changes to its label, it may avoid the considerable expense of going forward:

Regards,

Stephen L. Baker



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----Original Message-----

From: Moira Selinka [mailto:m.selinka@br-tmlaw.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 12:37 PM

To: 'Anne Hiaring Hocking'; s.baker@br-tmlaw.com

Cc: 'Vijay Toke'; 'Kristin de la Vega'; anne@hiaringlaw.com

Subject: RE: Depositions of Constellation Witnesses with Requests for Production of Documents

Anne:

What do you mean by OFF CALENDAR?

-Moira

From: Anne Hiaring Hocking [mailto:Anne@Hiaringsmith.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 12:23 PM

To: Moira Selinka

Cc: Vijay Toke; Kristin de la Vega; anne@hiaringlaw.com

Subject: RE: Depositions of Constellation Witnesses with Requests for Production of Documents

Importance: High

Dear Moira: The Board, in declining to extend the discovery deadline, relied on Constellations request for a stipulation to take the depositions after the close of discovery – which Constellation requested during the oral hearing, and which ASV agreed to. You mis-state the proceedings. Constellation specifically asked for and stipulated to, extension of the time to take the depositions outside the discovery deadline of July 26. Although not the formal moving papers, this issue was raised by Constellation, urged by the interlocutory attorney and stipulated to by ASV. The depositions are accordingly OFF CALENDAR. We await your promised cooperation on dates and times of availability Your courtesy is anticipated and appreciated. The goal is to hold the depositions in an orderly and mutually convenient manner. We wish to begin with Ken Minami.

Steve indicated for the first time during the hearing last Friday that Mr. Minami is in California. State Bar records reflect that his office is in San Francisco. Will you confirm this and his availability and we will set the deposition for our offices in San Rafael, just North of San Francisco. Thank you very much. Please work with Vijay and me on the exact dates and times. With best personal regards, Anne

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From: Moira Selinka [mailto:m.selinka@br-tmlaw.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 8:10 AM

To: Anne Hiaring Hocking; s.baker@br-tmlaw.com

Cc: Vijay Toke; Kristin de la Vega

Subject: RE: Depositions of Constellation Witnesses with Requests for Production of Documents

#### Dear Anne:

You are incorrect as to your statements below. Constellation did <u>not</u> move the Board to have depositions taken after July 26<sup>th</sup>. As you are well aware, Constellation moved the Board for permission to participate in the discovery depositions by telephone, which was granted. As far as we are aware, the depositions remain scheduled for prior to the close of discovery. Based on availability, certain people may not be available on currently scheduled days, such as Ken Minami and Christine Lilienthal, but we will clarify this with you as soon as possible.

Sincerely, Moira

From: Anne Hiaring Hocking [mailto:Anne@Hiaringsmith.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 14, 2010 8:11 PM **To:** Moira Selinka; s.baker@br-tmlaw.com

Cc: Vijay Toke; Anne Hiaring Hocking; Kristin de la Vega

Subject: Depositions of Constellation Witnesses with Requests for Production of Documents

Importance: High

Dear Moira and Steve: As you know, we have served notices of deposition that require the production of documents. The Constellation depositions were served on July 1. Constellation moved the Board asking that the depositions be taken after July 26, which the Board granted. If, as expected, the depositions are taken 30 days after service ( on or after July 31), ASV expects that Constellation will comply with the document production requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 34(b), which allows a party 30 days in which to respond to a request for production of documents in connection with a deposition, and will produce documents at that time. Thanks very much. Anne

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