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Applicant	:	JetBlue Airways Corporation	
Trademark	:	SOFLY	
Serial No.	:	85/774,490	
Filed	:	November 8, 2012	
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ALASKA A		ES, INC.,	
Opposer,			Opposition No. 91212952
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JETBLUE A	IRWA	YS CORPORATION,	
Applicant.			

#### **ANSWER**

JetBlue Airways Corporation ("Applicant") through its undersigned attorneys, hereby sets forth its Answer and Affirmative Defenses to the Notice of Opposition against Application Serial No. 85/774,490 for registration of the trademark SOFLY as follows:

- 1. Applicant admits that JetBlue Airways Corporation is a Delaware corporation with an address of 27-01 Queens Plaza North Long Island City, New York 11101.
- 2. Applicant lacks sufficient knowledge or information to respond to the allegations set forth in Paragraph 2 of the Notice of Opposition and, therefore, denies the same.
- 3. Applicant lacks sufficient knowledge or information to respond to the allegations set forth in Paragraph 3 of the Notice of Opposition and, therefore, denies the same.

4. Applicant lacks sufficient knowledge or information to respond to the allegations set forth in Paragraph 4 of the Notice of Opposition and, therefore, denies the same, except Applicant admits that SOFLY appears on the website <a href="https://www.jetblue.com/sofly/">www.jetblue.com/sofly/</a>.

5. Applicant denies the allegations set forth in Paragraph 5 of the Notice of Opposition.

6. Applicant denies the allegations set forth in Paragraph 6 of the Notice of Opposition.

7. Applicant denies the allegations set forth in Paragraph 7 of the Notice of Opposition.

#### **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

- 8. The Notice of Opposition fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.
- 9. Applicant's mark is not confusingly similar to Opposer's trademark.
- 10. Opposer's claim that a likelihood of confusion exists is unfounded for several reasons, including the following:
  - a. Applicant's mark is not similar in sound, connotation, or meaning to
     Opposer's mark so as to cause consumer confusion;
  - b. Applicant's mark is sufficiently unique to distinguish itself from any possible confusion with Opposer's mark;
  - c. Opposer's mark is not sufficiently strong, famous, or distinctive so as to cause consumers to associate "SOFLY" with Opposer.

WHEREFORE, Applicant JetBlue Airways Corporation prays that the Notice of Opposition and the relief sought by Opposer Alaska Airlines, Inc. be denied and judgment rendered in favor of Applicant.

Dated: New York, New York

November 22, 2013

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this  $22^{nd}$  day of November 2013, I caused a copy of the foregoing Notice of Opposition to be served, by the means indicated below, upon:

## **VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL**

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