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

#### **Notice of Opposition**

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

#### **Opposer Information**

Name	MOAM Group Inc
Granted to Date of previous extension	11/11/2020
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Docket Number	479730009PP1

#### **Applicant Information**

Application No.	88646206	Publication date	07/14/2020
Opposition Filing Date	11/12/2020	Opposition Peri- od Ends	11/11/2020
Applicant	Worldwide Trophy Adventures LLC P.O. BOX 335 SIDNEY, NE 69162 UNITED STATES		

#### Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 041. First Use: 2018/10/02 First Use In Commerce: 2018/10/02
All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Hunting guide services

#### **Grounds for Opposition**

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act Section 2(d)
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### Mark Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration No.	4719412	Application Date	07/17/2014
Registration Date	04/14/2015	Foreign Priority Date	NONE

Word Mark	YUKON OUTFITTERS
Design Mark	
Description of Mark	The mark consists of the image of a bear head in relief form to the left of thestacked wording "YUKON OUTFITTERS" to the right.
Goods/Services	Class 009. First use: First Use: 2013/01/14 First Use In Commerce: 2013/04/23
	Bags adapted for laptops; Bags for cameras and photographic equipment; Messenger bags especially adapted for holding laptops
	Class 013. First use: First Use: 2013/01/14 First Use In Commerce: 2013/10/11
	Sniper drag bags
	Class 018. First use: First Use: 2012/09/01 First Use In Commerce: 2013/01/14
	All purpose sport bags; All-purpose athletic bags; Athletic bags; Bags for sports; Courier bags; Dry bags; Duffel bags; Duffel bags for travel; Duffle bags; Gym bags; Hunters' game bags; Hunting bags; Military duffle bags, garment bags fortravel, tote bags, shoulder bags and backpacks; Shoulder bags; Sling bags; Sport bags; Sportsman's hunting bags; Travelbags; Traveling bags; Wheeled bags
	Class 020. First use: First Use: 2013/01/14 First Use In Commerce: 2013/03/12 Sleeping bags
	Class 021. First use: First Use: 2013/01/14 First Use In Commerce: 2013/04/23 Insulated food bags for the transport of food and beverages
	Class 022. First use: First Use: 2012/09/01 First Use In Commerce: 2012/11/17 Hammocks
	Class 028. First use: First Use: 2013/01/14 First Use In Commerce: 2013/04/23
	Bags specially adapted for sports equipment; Fishing tackle bags; Hunting decoybags; Sportsman's fishing bags

Attachments	Notice of Opposition v. Worldwide Trophy Adventures - YUKON PEAK OUTF IT- TERS.pdf(2077501 bytes )
Signature	/NANCY LY/
Name	NANCY LY
Date	11/12/2020

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

In the matter of Application Serial No. 88/646,206 For the Mark **YUKON PEAK OUTFITTERS** Published in the Official Gazette on July 14, 2020

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MOAM GROUP INC,	
Opposer,	
v.	Opposition No
WORLDWIDE TROPHY ADVENTURES LLC,	
Applicant.	

#### **NOTICE OF OPPOSITION**

In the matter of Application Serial No. 88/646,206 ("the '206 Application"), filed on October 8, 2019 by Applicant Worldwide Trophy Adventures LLC ("Applicant"), for the mark YUKON PEAK OUTFITTERS, Opposer MOAM Group Inc d/b/a Yukon Outfitters ("Yukon Outfitters" or "Opposer"), believes that it will be damaged by registration of the mark shown in the above-identified application, and hereby opposes the same in accordance with the provisions of Section 13 of the Trademark Act of July 5, 1946 (15 U.S.C. § 1063). The grounds for this Opposition are as follows:

#### PARTIES AND STANDING

1. Opposer MOAM Group Inc, doing business as Yukon Outfitters, is a corporation organized under the laws of Tennessee with its principal place of business in Alamo, Tennessee.

- 2. On information and belief, Applicant Worldwide Trophy Adventures LLC is a limited liability company organized under the laws of Michigan with a principal office in Sidney, Nebraska.
- 3. Opposer is the owner of U.S. Reg. No. 4,719,412 ("the YUKON OUTFITTERS Registration"), for the YUKON OUTFITTERS and design mark (the "YUKON OUTFITTERS and Design Mark") (shown below).



- 4. The YUKON OUTFITTERS Registration issued on April 14, 2015, for use in connection with the following goods:
  - "Bags adapted for laptops; Bags for cameras and photographic equipment; Messenger bags especially adapted for holding laptops" in Class 9, based on a claim of use in commerce at least as early as April 23, 2013;
  - "Sniper drag bags" in Class 13, based on a claim of use in commerce at least as early as October 11, 2013;
  - "All purpose sport bags; All-purpose athletic bags; Athletic bags; Bags for sports; Courier bags; Dry bags; Duffel bags; Duffel bags for travel; Duffle bags; Gym bags; Hunters' game bags; Hunting bags; Military duffle bags, garment bags for travel, tote bags, shoulder bags and backpacks; Shoulder bags; Sling bags; Sport bags; Sportsman's hunting bags; Travel bags; Traveling bags; Wheeled bags" in Class 18, based on a claim of use in commerce at least as early as January 14, 2013;
  - "Sleeping bags" in Class 20, based on a claim of use in commerce at least as early as March 12, 2013;

- "Insulated food bags for the transport of food and beverages" in Class 21, based on a claim
  of use in commerce at least as early as April 23, 2013;
- "Hammocks" in Class 22, based on a claim of use in commerce at least as early as November 17, 2012; and
- "Bags specially adapted for sports equipment; Fishing tackle bags; Hunting decoy bags;
   Sportsman's fishing bags" in Class 28, based on a claim of use in commerce at least as early as April 23, 2013.

The above-listed goods are referred to herein as "Opposer's Goods." A true and correct copy of the Certificate of Registration and the TSDR record are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

- 5. Opposer and Applicant offer highly related goods and services for hunting and outdoor activities.
- 6. As the owner of record of a prior registration for highly similar marks for highly related goods and services, Opposer has standing to bring this proceeding.

#### **FACTS**

#### Opposer's Mark

- 7. Opposer was created in a hunting camp on the banks of the Big Salmon River. While on a fly fishing trip, one of Opposer's founders forgot his rain coat and had to buy an expensive rain coat from a field guide stationed at a hunt camp. The expensive rain coat left him wet and cold, so he set out to create Yukon Outfitters, a company that has been offering high quality gear for outdoor activities for over nine years. Opposer's high quality products range from cases for firearms to field dressing kits.
- 8. Opposer first adopted the YUKON OUTFITTERS mark for use in connection with hammocks in 2011 and in 2013 Opposer started using the YUKON OUTFITTERS mark in

connection with a variety of bags, including hunting bags, hunter's game bags and hunting decoy bags. Since then, Opposer has continuously used the YUKON OUTFITTERS mark, and for additional products, and the use continues to the present day. For nearly a decade, Opposer, has invested substantial amounts of money, time and effort in developing, establishing, promoting and selling its products in connection with the YUKON OUTFITTERS mark.

- 9. Opposer first adopted the YUKON OUTFITTERS and Design Mark for use in connection with hammocks in 2012 and in 2013 Opposer started using the YUKON OUTFITTERS mark in connection with a variety of bags, including hunting bags, hunter's game bags and hunting decoy bags. Since then, Opposer has continuously used the YUKON OUTFITTERS and Design Mark, and for additional products, and the use continues to the present day. For nearly a decade, Opposer, has invested substantial amounts of money, time and effort in developing, establishing, promoting and selling its products in connection with the YUKON OUTFITTERS and Design Mark. Together, the YUKON OUTFITTERS mark and YUKON OUTFITTERS and Design Mark are referred to as the "YUKON OUTFITTERS Marks."
- 10. As a result of its efforts, Opposer has developed substantial goodwill in the YUKON OUTFITTERS Marks, and they are valuable assets of Opposer.
- 11. Opposer markets its products bearing the YUKON OUTFITTERS Marks to all consumers.
- 12. Opposer's Goods bearing the YUKON OUTFITTERS Marks are sold throughout the United States in brick-and-mortar retail and online retail stores.

#### Applicant's Mark

- 13. Applicant filed the subject '206 Application on October 8, 2019, seeking registration of the mark YUKON PEAK OUTFITTERS for use in connection with "Hunting guide services" in Class 41, based on an alleged use in commerce.
- 14. Applicant claims October 2, 2018 as the date it first used the YUKON PEAK OUTFITTERS mark in commerce for hunting guide services.
  - 15. The '206 Application was published in the Official Gazette on July 14, 2020.
- 16. Upon information and belief, given the long-standing and prominent use of the YUKON OUTFITTERS Marks by Opposer, Applicant must have known of Opposer's rights in the YUKON OUTFITTERS Marks. Also, given Opposer's prior federal registration for the YUKON OUTFITTERS and Design Mark, Applicant had at least constructive notice of Opposer's rights in the YUKON OUTFITTERS and Design Mark.

# PRIORITY & LIKELIHOOD OF CONFUSION 15 U.S.C. § 1052(d)

- 17. Opposer hereby repeats and re-alleges the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 16 above as if fully set forth herein.
- 18. As described above, Opposer is the owner of common law and registered rights in the YUKON OUTFITTERS Marks.
- 19. Opposer's use in commerce and registration of the YUKON OUTFITTERS Marks long predate any priority date Applicant can claim for its YUKON PEAK OUTFITTERS mark.
- 20. The marks in question YUKON OUTFITTERS and YUKON PEAK OUTFITTERS are highly similar.
- 21. The services claimed in the '206 Application are highly related to Opposer's Goods. Because there are no restrictions set forth in the '206 Application as to the channels of trade, it is

presumed that Applicant's services will be offered in the same channels of trade and to the same

intended customers as Opposer's.

22. There is a likelihood that consumers and potential consumers of either Opposer or

Applicant will be confused or deceived into believing that the parties' goods and services emanate

from the same source, or that one is somehow sponsored by or affiliated with the other, all to the

great detriment of the goodwill Opposer has built in its YUKON OUTFITTERS Marks.

23. As a result of this likely confusion, Opposer is likely to be irreparably harmed and

damaged by the allowance and registration of the '206 Application.

24. Opposer has not consented and does not consent to Applicant's use or registration

of Applicant's YUKON PEAK OUTFITTERS mark in the United States.

WHEREFORE, Opposer respectfully requests that the Board sustain this Opposition, and

refuse registration of the '206 Application, and grant such other and further relief as the Board

deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

MOAM GROUP INC

By its Attorneys,

Date: November 12, 2020

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# Exhibit A

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Mark: YUKON OUTFITTERS



US Serial Number: 86339699 Application Filing Jul. 17, 2014

Date:

US Registration 4719412 Registration Date: Apr. 14, 2015

Number:

Filed as TEAS Yes **Currently TEAS** Yes Plus: Plus:

Register: Principal Mark Type: Trademark

**TM5 Common Status** Descriptor:



LIVE/REGISTRATION/Issued and Active

The trademark application has been registered with the Office.

Status: Registered. The registration date is used to determine when post-registration maintenance documents are due.

Status Date: Apr. 14, 2015 Publication Date: Jan. 27, 2015

#### **Mark Information**

Mark Literal YUKON OUTFITTERS

Elements: Standard Character No

Claim:

Mark Drawing 3 - AN ILLUSTRATION DRAWING WHICH INCLUDES WORD(S)/ LETTER(S)/NUMBER(S)

Type:

Description of The mark consists of the image of a bear head in relief form to the left of the stacked wording "YUKON OUTFITTERS" to the right.

Mark:

Color(s) Claimed: Color is not claimed as a feature of the mark.

Disclaimer: "OUTFITTERS"

Design Search 03.01.14 - Grizzly bears; Bears, koala; Polar bears; Koala bears; Bears other than Panda bears; Black bears; Bears, polar

Code(s): 03.01.16 - Heads of cats, dogs, wolves, foxes, bears, lions, tigers 03.01.24 - Stylized cats, dogs, wolves, foxes, bears, lions, tigers

#### **Related Properties Information**

Claimed Ownership 4447569

of US

Registrations:

#### **Goods and Services**

The following symbols indicate that the registrant/owner has amended the goods/services:

- Brackets [..] indicate deleted goods/services;
- Double parenthesis ((..)) identify any goods/services not claimed in a Section 15 affidavit of incontestability; and
- Asterisks \*..\* identify additional (new) wording in the goods/services.

For: Bags adapted for laptops; Bags for cameras and photographic equipment; Messenger bags especially adapted for holding laptops

International 009 - Primary Class U.S Class(es): 021, 023, 026, 036, 038

Class(es):

Class Status: ACTIVE Basis: 1(a)

> First Use: Jan. 14, 2013 Use in Commerce: Apr. 23, 2013

For: Sniper drag bags

International 013 - Primary Class U.S Class(es): 002, 009

Class(es):

Class Status: ACTIVE

Basis: 1(a)

First Use: Jan. 14, 2013 Use in Commerce: Oct. 11, 2013

For: All purpose sport bags; All-purpose athletic bags; Athletic bags; Bags for sports; Courier bags; Dry bags; Duffel bags; Duffel bags for travel; Duffle bags; Gym bags; Hunters' game bags; Hunting bags; Military duffle bags, garment bags for travel, tote bags, shoulder

bags and backpacks; Shoulder bags; Sling bags; Sport bags; Sportsman's hunting bags; Travel bags; Traveling bags; Wheeled bags

International 018 - Primary Class

Class(es):

U.S Class(es): 001, 002, 003, 022, 041

U.S Class(es): 002, 013, 022, 025, 032, 050

U.S Class(es): 002, 013, 023, 029, 030, 033, 040, 050

U.S Class(es): 001, 002, 007, 019, 022, 042, 050

U.S Class(es): 022, 023, 038, 050

Class Status: ACTIVE

Basis: 1(a)

For: Sleeping bags

International 020 - Primary Class

Class(es):

Class Status: ACTIVE

Basis: 1(a)

First Use: Jan. 14, 2013 Use in Commerce: Mar. 12, 2013

For: Insulated food bags for the transport of food and beverages

International 021 - Primary Class

Class(es):

Class Status: ACTIVE

Basis: 1(a)

First Use: Jan. 14, 2013 Use in Commerce: Apr. 23, 2013

For: Hammocks

International 022 - Primary Class

Class(es):

Class Status: ACTIVE

Basis: 1(a)

For: Bags specially adapted for sports equipment; Fishing tackle bags; Hunting decoy bags; Sportsman's fishing bags

International 028 - Primary Class

Class(es):

Class Status: ACTIVE

Basis: 1(a)

#### **Basis Information (Case Level)**

Filed Use:YesCurrently Use:YesFiled ITU:NoCurrently ITU:NoFiled 44D:NoCurrently 44E:NoFiled 44E:NoCurrently 66A:NoFiled 66A:NoCurrently No Basis:No

Filed No Basis: No

#### **Current Owner(s) Information**

Owner Name: MOAM Group Inc
DBA, AKA, DBA Yukon Outfitters

Formerly:

Owner Address: 121 E Walnut Street

Alamo, TENNESSEE UNITED STATES 38001

Legal Entity Type: CORPORATION State or Country NORTH CAROLINA

Where Organized:

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#### **Prosecution History**

Date	Description	Proceeding Number
Nov. 11, 2020	APPLICANT/CORRESPONDENCE CHANGES (NON-RESPONSIVE) ENTERED	88888
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#### **TM Staff and Location Information**

TM Staff Information - None

File Location

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# United States of America United States Patent and Trademark Office



Reg. No. 4,719,412

MOAM GROUP INC (NORTH CAROLINA CORPORATION), DBA YUKON OUTFITTERS

4609 TIARELLA DRIVE

Registered Apr. 14, 2015 SUMMERFIELD, NC 27358

22 and 28

Int. Cls.: 9, 13, 18, 20, 21, FOR: BAGS ADAPTED FOR LAPTOPS; BAGS FOR CAMERAS AND PHOTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT; MESSENGER BAGS ESPECIALLY ADAPTED FOR HOLDING LAPTOPS, IN

CLASS 9 (U.S. CLS. 21, 23, 26, 36 AND 38).

**TRADEMARK** 

FIRST USE 1-14-2013; IN COMMERCE 4-23-2013.

PRINCIPAL REGISTER

FOR: SNIPER DRAG BAGS, IN CLASS 13 (U.S. CLS. 2 AND 9).

FIRST USE 1-14-2013; IN COMMERCE 10-11-2013.

FOR: ALL PURPOSE SPORT BAGS; ALL-PURPOSE ATHLETIC BAGS; ATHLETIC BAGS; BAGS FOR SPORTS; COURIER BAGS; DRY BAGS; DUFFEL BAGS; DUFFEL BAGS FOR TRAVEL; DUFFLE BAGS; GYM BAGS; HUNTERS' GAME BAGS; HUNTING BAGS; MILIT-ARY DUFFLE BAGS, GARMENT BAGS FOR TRAVEL, TOTE BAGS, SHOULDER BAGS AND BACKPACKS; SHOULDER BAGS; SLING BAGS; SPORT BAGS; SPORTSMAN'S HUNTING BAGS; TRAVEL BAGS; TRAVELING BAGS; WHEELED BAGS, IN CLASS 18 (U.S. CLS. 1, 2, 3, 22 AND 41).



FIRST USE 9-1-2012; IN COMMERCE 1-14-2013.

FOR: SLEEPING BAGS, IN CLASS 20 (U.S. CLS. 2, 13, 22, 25, 32 AND 50).

FIRST USE 1-14-2013; IN COMMERCE 3-12-2013.

FOR: INSULATED FOOD BAGS FOR THE TRANSPORT OF FOOD AND BEVERAGES, IN CLASS 21 (U.S. CLS. 2, 13, 23, 29, 30, 33, 40 AND 50).

FIRST USE 1-14-2013; IN COMMERCE 4-23-2013.

Michelle K. Zen

FOR: HAMMOCKS, IN CLASS 22 (U.S. CLS. 1, 2, 7, 19, 22, 42 AND 50).

Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office FIRST USE 9-1-2012; IN COMMERCE 11-17-2012.

# $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{Reg. No. 4,719,412} \\ \textbf{FOR: BAGS SPECIALLY ADAPTED FOR SPORTS EQUIPMENT; FISHING TACKLE BAGS;} \\ \textbf{HUNTING DECOY BAGS; SPORTSMAN'S FISHING BAGS, IN CLASS 28 (U.S. CLS. 22, 23, 38 AND 50).} \end{array}$

FIRST USE 1-14-2013; IN COMMERCE 4-23-2013.

OWNER OF U.S. REG. NO. 4,447,569.

NO CLAIM IS MADE TO THE EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO USE "OUTFITTERS" , APART FROM THE MARK AS SHOWN.

THE MARK CONSISTS OF THE IMAGE OF A BEAR HEAD IN RELIEF FORM TO THE LEFT OF THE STACKED WORDING "YUKON OUTFITTERS" TO THE RIGHT.

SER. NO. 86-339,699, FILED 7-17-2014.

JAMES LOVELACE, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

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### REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN YOUR FEDERAL TRADEMARK REGISTRATION

WARNING: YOUR REGISTRATION WILL BE CANCELLED IF YOU DO NOT FILE THE DOCUMENTS BELOW DURING THE SPECIFIED TIME PERIODS.

Requirements in the First Ten Years\* What and When to File:

First Filing Deadline: You must file a Declaration of Use (or Excusable Nonuse) between the 5th and 6th years after the registration date. See 15 U.S.C. §§1058, 1141k. If the declaration is accepted, the registration will continue in force for the remainder of the ten-year period, calculated from the registration date, unless cancelled by an order of the Commissioner for Trademarks or a federal court.

**Second Filing Deadline:** You must file a Declaration of Use (or Excusable Nonuse) and an Application for Renewal between the 9th and 10th years after the registration date.\* See 15 U.S.C. §1059.

Requirements in Successive Ten-Year Periods\* What and When to File:

You must file a Declaration of Use (or Excusable Nonuse) and an Application for Renewal between every 9th and 10th-year period, calculated from the registration date.\*

#### **Grace Period Filings\***

The above documents will be accepted as timely if filed within six months after the deadlines listed above with the payment of an additional fee.

\*ATTENTION MADRID PROTOCOL REGISTRANTS: The holder of an international registration with an extension of protection to the United States under the Madrid Protocol must timely file the Declarations of Use (or Excusable Nonuse) referenced above directly with the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). The time periods for filing are based on the U.S. registration date (not the international registration date). The deadlines and grace periods for the Declarations of Use (or Excusable Nonuse) are identical to those for nationally issued registrations. See 15 U.S.C. §§1058, 1141k. However, owners of international registrations do not file renewal applications at the USPTO. Instead, the holder must file a renewal of the underlying international registration at the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization, under Article 7 of the Madrid Protocol, before the expiration of each ten-year term of protection, calculated from the date of the international registration. See 15 U.S.C. §1141j. For more information and renewal forms for the international registration, see http://www.wipo.int/madrid/en/.

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