UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHER DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS, EASTERN DIVISION

JOURNALINESH, INC., a Colorado Corporation,

Plaintiff,

V.

THE PARTNERSHIPS and UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATIONS IDENTIFIED ON SCHEDULE "A" a Foreign Entity

Defendants

Case No.: 1:22-cv-03740

Hon. Matthew F. Kennelly

PLAINTIFF'S FIRST SET OF REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS AND THINGS TO DEFENDANT

Plaintiff JOURNALINESH, INC. ("Plaintiff") pursuant to Rules 26 and 34 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, by and through its counsel, hereby requests that each of the Defendants identified in Schedule A to the Complaint ("Defendant") produce each of the documents identified and described below in electronic form on an expedited basis within seven calendar days of receipt hereof by email to Plaintiff's counsel at YK Law, LLP, 445 S. Figueroa Street, Ste 2280, Los Angeles, CA 90071.

Request No. 1. Documents, electronically stored information, and things supporting Your answer to Interrogatory No. 1, including registration documents and emails for Defendant's E-commerce Store, Your Social Media Accounts, Your Financial Accounts, any email addresses associated with Defendant's E-commerce Store, and any email addresses associated with Your Financial Accounts.

Request No. 2. Documents, electronically stored information, and things sufficient to identify all Plaintiff Branded Products advertised and/or offered for sale by You into the United States since the beginning of this Lawsuit and five years prior, including, but not limited to, images of each Plaintiff Branded Product and the corresponding retail outlet or e-commerce store.

Request No. 3. Documents and electronically stored information relating to each product sold into the United States by You in the five years prior to the beginning of this Lawsuit, including, but not limited to, the following for each product sold: images of the product, price, sale date, the retail outlet or e-commerce store, and the customer's name and shipping address.

Request No. 4. Documents and electronically stored information relating to each communication from You to United States consumers, including, but not limited to, advertisements, invoices, receipts, purchase confirmation emails and shipping confirmation emails.

<u>Request No. 5.</u> Documents, electronically stored information, and things sufficient to show advertisements targeting the United States, including without limitation, advertisements on social media, search engines and marketplace platforms.

Request No. 6. Documents and electronically stored information sufficient to show the current balance for any Financial Account identified in response to Interrogatory No. 6 of Plaintiff's First Set of Interrogatories.

Request No. 7. Documents, electronically stored information, and things relating to payment of taxes to the United States Internal Revenue Service as well as to the revenue service of any state or county in which one of Your products were sold.

<u>Request No. 8.</u> Documents, electronically stored information, and things relating to Your policies concerning retention, storage, filing, and destruction of electronic documents and email.

Request No. 9. Documents, electronically stored information, and things relating to Your contracts with third parties to sell and ship Plaintiff Branded Products into the United States, including without limitation marketplace platforms.

Request No. 10. All documents, electronically stored information, and things consulted or used in connection with preparation of Defendant's responses to Plaintiff's First Set of Interrogatories to Defendant and these Document Requests.

DEFINITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS

In addition to the definitions and instructions set forth in Fed. R. Civ. P. 34, the following definitions and instructions apply to the Requests for the Production of Documents and Things (individually, "Request," and collectively, "Requests") set forth below and should be considered as part of each such Request:

1. These Requests are addressed to Defendant and (a) its present or former directors, officers, employees, agents, representatives, accountants, investigators, consultants, attorneys, and predecessors or successors in interest and any parent, subsidiary, or affiliated entities; (b) any other

person acting on Defendant's behalf or on whose behalf Defendant acted; and (c) any other person otherwise controlled by Defendant, or which controls Defendant, or which is under common control with Defendant.

- 2. If you find the meaning of any term in these Requests to be unclear, you should assume a reasonable meaning, state what that meaning is and respond to the Request on the basis of that assumed meaning.
- 3. If you object to any subpart or portion of a Request or object to providing the documents, electronically stored information, or things requested, set forth fully the grounds upon which your objection is based and answer the unobjectionable subpart(s) of the Request and/or supply the documents, electronically stored information, or things to which no objection is made.
- 4. Documents, electronically stored information, and things under your control must be produced even though they are in the possession of an employee or agent of yours, such as an accountant, attorney, or other person from whom you have a right to retrieve the documents, electronically stored information, or things.
- 5. If any document, electronically stored information, or thing requested by Plaintiff cannot be produced in full after exercising due diligence to secure the document, electronically stored information, or thing, produce whatever portion of the document, electronically stored information, or thing remains and state whatever information, knowledge or belief you have concerning the unproduced portion. If your response is qualified in any particular respect, set forth the details of such qualification.
- 6. For any document, electronically stored information, or thing responsive to any request set forth below that Defendant seeks to withhold under a claim of privilege, Defendant shall redact the information being withheld for privilege and indicate the location of the redacted information on or in the produced document, electronically stored information, or thing. For each document,

electronically stored information, thing, or part thereof withheld under a claim of privilege or for any other reason, Defendant shall state:

- a. that such material is being withheld;
- b. the name and title of all person(s) who possessed or controlled the document, electronically stored information, or thing;
- c. a brief description of the nature and subject matter of the document, electronically stored information, or thing, including the title and type of document (*i.e.*, whether it is a letter, memorandum, drawing, etc.), electronically stored information, or thing;
- d. the document's date or the electronically stored information's or thing's date of creation;
- e. the name and title of the author(s) or creator(s);
- f. the name and title of the sender(s) of the document or electronically stored information if different from the author(s) or creator(s);
- g. the name and title of the person(s) to whom the document or electronically stored information is addressed or to whom the thing has been provided, including all person(s) who received copies, photographs, or other representations of the document or electronically stored information or thing;
- h. the past and current location of all copies of the document or electronically stored information or thing;
- i. the request or subpart to which the document or electronically stored information, withheld information, or thing is otherwise responsive; and
- j. the type of privilege claimed (attorney-client communications, attorney work product) and the factual and legal basis supporting the claim of privilege.
- 7. These Requests require the production of documents, electronically stored information, and things either in the same form and same order as they are kept in the usual course of business or

organized and labeled to correspond with the particular requests set forth below. If you choose the former method, the documents, electronically stored information, and things are to be produced in the boxes, file folders, bindings or other containers in which the documents, electronically stored information, and things are kept in the usual course of business. The titles, labels, or other descriptions on the boxes, file folders, bindings or other containers are to be left intact.

- 8. These Requests shall be deemed continuing so as to require further and supplemental production in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 26.
- 9. If any document or electronically stored information or thing is not produced on the ground that such document or electronically stored information or thing is no longer in Defendant's possession, custody, or control, identify each such document or electronically stored information or thing and specify:
 - a. the document's date or the electronically stored information's or thing's date of creation;
 - b. a brief description of the nature and subject matter of the document or electronically stored information or thing, including the title and type of document (*i.e.*, whether it is a letter, memorandum, drawing, etc.) or electronically stored information or thing;
 - c. the name and title of the author(s) or creator(s), the sender(s), the addressee(s) and the recipient(s) of the document or electronically stored information or thing;
 - d. the name and title of all person(s) who possessed or controlled the document, electronically stored information, or thing;
 - e. the name and title of the person(s) most knowledgeable about the document or electronically stored information or thing;
 - f. the past and current location of all copies of the document or electronically stored information or thing;
 - g. the name and title of the person(s) responsible for its destruction, loss, transfer, or other act

- or omission by which the document or electronically stored information or thing left Defendant's possession, custody or control, and the date of such act.
- 10. Any copy of a document or electronically stored information or thing other than the exact duplicate of that document or electronically stored information is a separate document or electronically stored information or thing.
- 11. Whenever such construction will serve to bring within the scope of these requests some documents, electronically stored information, or things that would otherwise not be brought within its scope, "any" or "each" should be understood to include and encompass "all;" "or" should be understood to include and encompass "and;" "and" should be understood to include and encompass "or;" "including" should be understood to mean including but not limited to; the singular of a word should be understood to include and encompass the plural of the word, and vice versa; and the past tense of a verb shall be understood to include the present tense, and vice versa.
- 12. Where an objection is made to a request, state all grounds upon which the objection is based, along with a citation of any legal authority relied upon.
- 13. Ordering and numbering of documents, electronically stored information and things shall be performed in such a manner as to ensure that the source of each document, electronically stored information and thing may be determined.
- 14. Electronically stored information shall be produced in a form or forms in which it is ordinarily maintained or in a form or forms that are reasonably usable by Plaintiff.
- 15. "Communication" shall include all exchanges of information, written or oral, including without limitation, memoranda, telephone conversations, electronic mail, computer discs, documents, and telegrams.
- 16. "Document" is defined broadly to be given the full scope of that term contemplated in Fed. R. Civ. P. 34, and includes all tangible things, all originals (or, if originals are not available, identical

copies thereof), all non-identical copies of a document, all drafts of final documents, all other written, printed, or recorded matter of any kind, and all other data compilations from which information can be obtained and translated if necessary, that are or have been in your actual or constructive possession or control, regardless of the medium on which they are produced, reproduced, or stored (including without limitation computer programs and files containing requested information), and any recording or writing, as these terms are defined in Rule 1001, Federal Rules of Evidence. Any document bearing marks, including without limitation, initials, stamped initials, comments, or notations not a part of the original text or photographic reproduction thereof, is a separate document. 17. "Document" shall also include, without limitation, the following items, whether printed or reproduced by any process, or written or produced by hand or stored electronically in computer memory, magnetic or hard disk, or other storage medium, and whether or not claimed to be privileged, confidential, or otherwise excludable from discovery: any record of all or any portions of discussion, communication, agreement, conversation, interview, meeting, conference, conclusion, fact, impression, occurrence, opinion, report, or other similar matter, and shall include, without limitation, letters, correspondence, communications, emails, telegrams, papers, cablegrams, mailgrams, notes, memoranda, summaries, abstracts, worksheets, books, manuals, publications, engineering reports and notebooks, schematics, engineering drawings, software source code listings, charts, plans, databases, diagrams, sketches or drawings, photographs, reports and/or summaries of investigations and/or surveys, opinions and reports of committee meetings, desk calendars, appointment books, diaries, diary entries, voicemails, newspapers, magazine or periodical articles, and any other record of any kind.

- 18. The term "identify," when used in reference to:
 - a. an individual shall mean to state his or her full name, present or last known residence address, present or last known business address, and position or business affiliation;

- b. a business entity shall mean to state its form, full name, address of its present or last principal place of business, and its principal line of business;
- c. a document shall mean to provide information sufficient to locate that document, including, but not limited to, the following: the production number range (Bates range), the date appearing on such document or, if no date appears thereon, the approximate date the document was prepared; the identifying code number, file number, title or label of such document; a general description of such document (e.g., letter, memorandum, drawing); the title or heading; the number of pages of which such document consists; the name of each person who signed, authored, or authorized the document; the name of each addressee; the name of each person having possession, custody, or control of such document; if the document existed at one time for does not presently exist, the reason(s) why it no longer exists and the identity of the last person having custody of it; and if the document is in a foreign language, whether an English translation of the document exists, whether partial or complete; and
- d. a communication shall mean to state its date, the communicator, the communicatee, the type of communication (i.e. conversation, telephone call, letter, note, etc.) and a brief description of its subject matter.
- 19. "Person" shall mean individuals or entities of any type, including without limitation, individuals, governments (or any agencies thereof), quasi-public entities, corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies, groups, trusts, mutual or joint ventures, and other forms of organizations or associations.
- 20. "Date" shall mean the exact date, month and year or, if not ascertainable, the best approximation thereof.
- 21. The phrase "relating to", "related to", or "relate(s) to" means and includes concerning,

reflecting, alluding to, mentioning, regarding, discussing, bearing upon, commenting on, constituting, pertaining to, demonstrating, describing, depicting, referring to, summarizing, containing, embodying, showing, comprising, evidencing, refuting, contradicting, and/or supporting.

- 22. As used herein, "Plaintiff" shall mean, unless otherwise indicated, the Plaintiff identified in the above caption, any of Plaintiff's officers, directors, employees, agents and representatives, and all persons acting on Plaintiff's behalf.
- 23. As used herein, "Defendant" or "You" or "Your" or "Yourself" shall be deemed to include the named owner(s) and/or operator(s) of your e-commerce store listed in Schedule A, and (a) its present or former directors, officers, employees, agents, representatives, accountants, investigators, consultants, contractors, attorneys, and predecessors or successors in interest and any parent, subsidiary, or affiliated; (b) any other person acting on Defendant's behalf, or on whose behalf Defendant acted; and (c) any other person otherwise controlled by Defendant, or which controls Defendant, or which is under common control with Defendant.
- 24. As used herein, "Defendant's E-commerce Store" shall be deemed to include at least Your e-commerce store listed in Schedule A. to the First Amended Complaint.
- 25. As used herein, "Financial Accounts" shall be deemed to include any accounts relating to any banks, savings and loan associations, payment processors or other financial institutions, including, without limitation, PayPal, Inc., eBay, Inc., Alipay, Alibaba Group Holding Ltd., Ant Financial Services Group, Amazon Pay, ContextLogic Inc. d/b/a Wish.com, Walmart, Inc., Etsy, Inc. or other merchant account providers, payment providers, third party payment processors, and credit card associations (e.g., MasterCard and Visa Inc.) which receive payments or hold assets for Defendant.

- 26. As used herein, "Social Media Accounts" shall be deemed to include any accounts relating to any social media platforms, companies, or sites, including, without limitation, Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, and Twitter.
- 27. As used herein, "Used" shall mean registered, owned, and/or operated.
- 28. "Concerning" means constituting, comprising, relating to, referring to, reflecting, evidencing, or in any way relevant within the meaning of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(b)(1).
- 29. "Lawsuit" or "Litigation" shall mean the above captioned lawsuit filed in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.
- 30. "Complaint" shall mean the first Amended Complaint filed by Plaintiff in the Lawsuit, as well as any subsequently filed complaints by Plaintiff.
- 31. As used herein, "Plaintiff's Marks" shall collectively refer to Plaintiff's registered copyrights as well as trade dress as described in the Complaint.
- 32. As used herein, "Plaintiff Branded Product" shall mean any product advertised, distributed, offered for sale or sold by Defendant using, relating to, featuring or bearing any of Plaintiff's Marks and/or marks identical with, or substantially indistinguishable from, Plaintiff's Marks as defined in the Complaint.
- 33. The singular form of a word should be interpreted in the plural as well. Any pronoun shall be construed to refer to the masculine, feminine, or neuter gender as in each case is most appropriate. The words "and" and "or" shall be construed conjunctively or disjunctively, whichever makes the request most inclusive.

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Dated this October 4, 2022

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