Case 2:08-cv-00059-R-JTL Document 1 Filed 01/04/2008 Page 1 of 31 Samuel Krane, Esq. #38381 KRANE & SMITH, APC 16255 Ventura Boulevard Suite 600 Encino, CA, 91436 818-382-4000 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA CV08=00059 R JTLX CASE NUMBER: STEVEN SHEIN, an individual Plaintiff(s) ٧. HOT TOPIC, INC. a California corporation, CAROLE ACCESSORIES, **SUMMONS** a California corporation, ARORA SILVER JEWELRY CORP., a California corporation, KAYMEN B, INC. a California corporation, and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive. Defendant(s) TO: THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S): YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to file with this court and serve upon plaintiff's attorney , whose address is: SAMUEL KRANE, ESQ. KRANE & SMITH, APC, 16255 Ventura Boulevard, Suite 600, Encino, California 91436 amended complaint counterclaim crossan answer to the x complaint claim which is herewith served upon you within 20 days after service of this Summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT By: <u>Natalu Jana</u> Deputy Clerk Date: JAN - 4 2008 (Seal of the Court)

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C. For other reasons would entail substantial duplication of labor if heard by different judges; or
D. Involve the same patent, trademark or copyright, <u>and</u> one of the factors identified above in a, b or c also is present.
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- I. (a) PLAINTIFFS DEFENDANTS. Enter names (tast, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a Government Agency use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official giving both name and title.
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 - (c) Attorneys. Enter firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section ("see attachment"). Refer to Local Rules 83-2.7 and 41-6 for further information regarding change of attorney name, address, firm association, phone number, fax number or e-mail address, and dismissal of action for failure of pro se plaintiff to keep Court apprised of current address.
- II. JURISDICTION. The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.C.P., which requires that jurisdiction be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.
 - United States Plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction is based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here.

United States Defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.

Federal Question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331 where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, and act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code take precedence and box 1 or 2 should be marked.

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- III. RESIDENCE (CITIZENSHIP) OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES. This section of the CV-71 (JS-44) is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
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FILED 1 | Samuel Krane (SBN 38381) Samuel J. Smith (SBN 242440) 2008 JAN -4 PM 2: 20 KRANE & SMITH 16255 Ventura Boulevard GLERX U.S. DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DIST. C. CALIF. LOS ANGELES 3 Suite 600 Encino, CA 91436 (818) 382-4000 4 9 / ____ Fax: (818) 382-4001 5 Attorneys for Plaintiff STEVEN SHEIN 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 9 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 CASE NO. STEVEN SHEIN, an 12 CV08-00059 individual, 13 COMPLAINT FOR COPYRIGHT Plaintiff, INFRINGEMENT 14 vs. DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL 15 HOT TOPIC, INC., a California corporation, 16 CAROLE ACCESSORIES a California corporation, 17 ARORA SILVER JEWELRY CORP, a California corporation, 18 KAYMEN B, INC., a California corporation, 19 and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive, 20 Defendants. 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 1 complaint/ht/12/9/97

COMPLAINT FOR COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

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1. Plaintiff STEVEN SHEIN ("Plaintiff") alleges suit against Defendants Hot Topic, Inc.("Hot Topic"), Arora Silver Jewelry Corp.("Arora"), Kaymen B, Inc. ("Kaymen B") and Carole Accesories ("Carole")(collectively "Defendants") as follows:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 2. This action arises under the provisions of the Copyright Act of the United States, as amended, 17 U.S.C. § 101 et seq., and is based on acts of copyright infringement with respect to valid certificates of copyright registration from the Register of Copyrights and/or registrations which have been filed in the Copyright Office of the United States.
- 3. This Court's jurisdiction over this matter is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1332 and 1338(a).
- 4. Upon information and belief, venue is proper in this judicial district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1391 and §1400(a) in that Defendants or their agents may be found in this district, Plaintiff's claim arises in this district, and the Plaintiff resides in this district.

THE PARTIES

- 5. Plaintiff is, and at all times herein mentioned has been, an individual doing business in Los Angeles County, California.
- 6. Plaintiff owns the copyright, or exclusive reproduction, adaptation, and/or distribution rights under United States copyright law, in certain jewelry designs, each of which is the subject of a valid Certificate of Copyright Registration from

the Register of Copyrights or as to which an application to register such jewelry designs under copyright law is pending.

- 7. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges that defendant Hot Topic is a California corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California, and is authorized to do business in the County of Los Angeles, with its principal place of business at 18305 E. San Jose Avenue, City of Industry, California.
- 8. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges that defendant Arora is a California corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California, and is authorized to do business in the County of Los Angeles, with its principal place of business at 650 South Hill Street, D18, Los Angeles, California.
- 9. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges that defendant Kaymen B is a California corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California, and is authorized to do business in the County of Los Angeles, with its principal place of business at 929 East 2nd Street, Loft 108, Los Angeles, California.
- 10. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges that defendant Carole Accesories is a California corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California, and is authorized to do business in the County of Los Angeles, with its principal place of business at 1607 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

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- 11. Plaintiff is informed and believes and based thereon alleges that at all times mentioned herein each of the Defendants was, and now is, a party to the unlawful activities complained of herein, and acting as the employee, agent, principal, officer, partner, joint venturer, alter ego, co-conspirator, director or other representative of one or more of the remaining Defendants and, in doing the things herein mentioned, was acting within the scope and course of such employment, agency, partnership, joint venture, conspiracy or other relationship, and with the permission, authorization, ratification and consent of the other Defendants.
- 12. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendants because they reside in and/or are doing business in this State and District; they have intentionally engaged in acts targeted at this District that have caused harm in this District; they have purported to enter into agreements with residents of this State and District; and they have purposefully availed themselves of the privilege of conducting activities in this State and District. In addition, many of the wrongful acts complained of herein occurred in this State and District.

BACKGROUND FACTS

13. In or around 2003, Plaintiff entered the jewelry design business as an artist trying to pay his way through design school. With his highly innovative designs and original use of raw materials, Plaintiff was able to build a following for the "Steven Shein" jewelry line amongst prominent members of the entertainment and fashion industries.

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- 14. Plaintiff expended substantial time and energy in developing the "Steven Shein" line into a widely recognized unique line of jewelry. Plaintiff's original works--including those works which are the subject of this suit--are sold at the Whitney Museum of Art, the Museum of Contemporary Art in La Jolla, the Museum of Contemporary Art in San Diego, and the Las Vegas Museum of Art. Plaintiff's original designs are also included in the curriculum of design courses at Carnegie Mellon University.
- entitled "The Black Flat Laminate Heart" ("Black Laminate Heart Design"), for use on women's accessories. The Black Laminate Heart Design is wholly original with Plaintiff and is copyrightable subject matter under the laws of the United States. A true and correct copy of the Certificate of Copyright Registration VA 1-420-713 for the Black Laminate Heart Design is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."
- 16. In or about 2006, Plaintiff authored a jewelry design entitled "The Red Flat Laminate Apple" ("Red Laminate Apple Design"), for use on women's accessories. The Red Flat Laminate Apple Design is wholly original with Plaintiff and is copyrightable subject matter under the laws of the United States. A true and correct copy of the Certificate of Copyright Registration VA 1-420-715 for the Red Laminate Apple Design is attached hereto as Exhibit "B."
- 17. In or about 2006, Plaintiff authored a jewelry design entitled "The Red Flat Laminate Ice Cream" ("Red Laminate Ice

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- In or about 2006, Plaintiff authored a jewelry design 18. "The Pink Glitter Flat Laminate Cherries" ("Pink entitled Glitter Laminate Cherries Design"), for use on women's The Pink Glitter Laminate Cherries Design is accessories. wholly original with Plaintiff and is copyrightable subject matter under the laws of the United States. A true and correct copy of the Certificate of Copyright Registration VA 1-411-766 for the Pink Glitter Laminate Cherries Design is attached hereto as Exhibit "D."
- In or about 2006, Plaintiff authored a jewelry design entitled "The Gold Glitter Flat Laminate Rainbow" ("Gold Glitter Laminate Rainbow Design"), for use on women's accessories. The Gold Glitter Laminate Rainbow Design is wholly original with Plaintiff and is copyrightable subject matter under the laws of the United States. A true and correct copy of the Certificate of Copyright Registration VA 1-411-767 for the Gold Glitter Laminate Rainbow Design is attached hereto as Exhibit "E."
- In or about 2006, Plaintiff authored a jewelry design 20. entitled "The Flat Laminate Horse" ("Laminate Horse Design"), for use on women's accessories. The Laminate Horse Design is wholly original with Plaintiff and is copyrightable subject

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- 21. In or about 2006, Plaintiff authored a jewelry design entitled "The Flat Laminate Strawberry" ("Laminate Strawberry Design"), for use on women's accessories. The Laminate Strawberry Design is wholly original with Plaintiff and is copyrightable subject matter under the laws of the United States. A true and correct copy of the pending application for copyright registration for the Laminate Strawberry Design is attached hereto as Exhibit "G."
- 22. Plaintiff's jewelry designs known as Black Laminate Heart Design, Red Laminate Apple Design, Red Laminate Ice Cream Design, Pink Glitter Laminate Cherries Design, Gold Glitter Laminate Rainbow Design, Laminate Horse Design and Laminate Strawberry Design are collectively referred to as "Jewelry Designs."
- 23. Plaintiff's Jewelry Designs are readily available to the public on Plaintiff's website, www.stevenshein.com, and are featured in widely circulated magazines, brochures and advertisements.
- 24. In or about June, 2007, Plaintiff learned that Defendant Hot Topic was manufacturing, reproducing, distributing, promoting and/or selling women's jewelry and/or accessories bearing jewelry designs ("Infringing Designs") which are virtually identical to Plaintiff's Jewelry Designs.

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- 25. On or about October 11, 2007, Plaintiff learned that Defendants Arora, Kaymen B, and Carole Accessories were manufacturing, reproducing, distributing, promoting and/or selling Infringing Designs which are virtually identical to Plaintiff's Jewelry Designs.
 - 26. Upon information and belief, Defendants' Infringing Designs have been widely advertised, offered for sale, sold and distributed throughout the United States including within this district.
 - 27. Upon information and belief, the activities of Defendants complained of herein are continuing, constitute willful and intentional infringement of Plaintiff's copyrights and are in total disregard of Plaintiff's rights.
 - 28. The use by Defendants of the Infringing Designs in connection with the sale of women's jewelry and/or accessories has been without the consent of Plaintiff.
 - 29. Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law and is suffering irreparable harm and damage as a result of acts of Defendants in an amount thus far not determined, but in excess of the jurisdictional minimum of this Court.
 - 30. Defendants' use of the Infringing Designs is likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive as to the affiliation, confusion, or association of the Defendants with Plaintiff, or as to the origin, sponsorship, or approval of the Defendants' goods, services, or commercial activities by Plaintiff.

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(Copyright Infringement Under 17 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq. Against All Defendants)

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33. A tremendous amount of copyright infringement has taken and through Defendant Hot Topic's website, place on These infringements occur, inter www.hotopic.com.

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in and relating to the Jewelry Designs.

such acts in violation of the copyright laws.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for relief and judgment against Defendants as follows:

- 1. That Defendants be held to have infringed Plaintiff's copyrights in the Jewelry Designs.
- 2. That Defendants, their directors and officers, agents, servants, employees, and all other persons in active concert or privity or in participation with them, be enjoined from directly or indirectly infringing Plaintiff's copyrights in the Jewelry Designs, or continuing to market, offer, sell, dispose of, license, lease, transfer, display, advertise, reproduce, develop or manufacture any works derived or copied from the Jewelry Designs, or either of them or to participate or assist in any such activity.
- 3. That Defendants, their directors and officers, agents, servants, employees, and all other persons in active concert or privity or in participation with them, be enjoined to return to Plaintiff any and all originals, copies, facsimiles, or duplicates of the Jewelry Designs, or either of them, in their possession, custody or control.
- 4. That Defendants, their directors and officers, agents, servants, employees, and all other persons in active concert or privity or in participation with them be enjoined to recall from all distributors, wholesalers, jobbers, dealers, retailers, and distributors, and all others known to Defendants, any originals, copies, facsimiles, or duplicates of any works shown by the

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- 5. That Defendants be enjoined to deliver upon oath, to be impounded during the pendency of this action and destroyed pursuant to judgment herein, all originals, copies, facsimiles, or duplicates of any work shown by the evidence to infringe any copyright in the Jewelry Designs, or either of them.
- 6. That Defendants be required to file with the Court and to serve on Plaintiff, within 30 days after service of the Court's order as herein prayed, a report in writing under oath setting forth in detail the manner and form in which Defendants have complied with the Court's order.
- 7. That judgment be entered for Plaintiff and against Defendants for Plaintiff's actual damages according to proof, and for additional profits attributable to infringements of Plaintiff's copyright, in accordance with proof.
- 8. That judgment be entered for Plaintiff and against Defendants for statutory damages based upon Defendants' acts of infringement, pursuant to the Copyright Act of 1976, 17 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.
- 9. That Defendants be required to account for all gains, profits, and advantages derived from its acts of infringement and for its other violations of law.
- 10. That all gains, profits and advantages derived by Defendants from its acts of infringement and other violations of law be deemed to be held in constructive trust for the benefit of Plaintiff.

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That Plaintiff have judgment against Defendants for Plaintiff's costs and attorneys' fees. For prejudgment interest. For punitive and exemplary damages according to proof. That the Court grant such other, further, and different relief as the Court deems proper under the circumstances. DATED: January 3, 2008 Respectfully submitted KRANE & SMITH By: SAMUEL KRA Attorneys for Phaintiff STEVEN SHEIN.

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This Cit ... atte issued linder the seal of the Copyright Office in accordance with title 17, United States Code, attests that registration has been made for the work identified below. The information on this certificate has been made a part of the Copyright Office records.

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