

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
WACO DIVISION**

<b>ORTIZ &amp; ASSOCIATES</b>	)	
<b>CONSULTING, LLC,</b>	)	
<b>Plaintiff,</b>	)	
	)	<b>Civil Action No. 6:21-cv-01177</b>
<b>v.</b>	)	
	)	
<b>CANON U.S.A., INC.,</b>	)	
<b>Defendant.</b>	)	

**PLAINTIFF’S ORIGINAL COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT**

Ortiz & Associates Consulting, LLC (“Ortiz”) files this Original Complaint and demand for jury trial seeking relief from patent infringement of the claims of U.S. Patent No. 9,549,285 (“the ‘285 patent”) (referred to as the “Patent-in-Suit”) by Canon U.S.A., Inc. (“Canon”).

**I. THE PARTIES**

1. Plaintiff Ortiz is a New Mexico Limited Liability Company with its principal place of business located in Albuquerque, NM.

2. On information and belief, Canon is a corporation existing under the laws of the State of New York, with a regular and established place of business located at 12515 Research Blvd., Bldg. 7, Suite 110, Austin, TX 78759. On information and belief, CANON sells and offers to sell products and services throughout Texas, including in this judicial district, and introduces products and services that perform infringing methods or processes into the stream of commerce knowing that they would be sold in Texas and this judicial district. Defendant may be served through its registered agent CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY d/b/a CSC-LAWYERS INCORPORATING SERVICE COMPANY 211 E. 7TH STREET, SUITE 620 AUSTIN, TX 78701 or anywhere they may be found.



## **II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

3. This Court has original subject-matter jurisdiction over the entire action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a) because Plaintiff's claim arises under an Act of Congress relating to patents, namely, 35 U.S.C. § 271.

4. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendant because: (i) Defendant is present within or has minimum contacts within the State of Texas and this judicial district; (ii) Defendant has purposefully availed itself of the privileges of conducting business in the State of Texas and in this judicial district; and (iii) Plaintiff's cause of action arises directly from Defendant's business contacts and other activities in the State of Texas and in this judicial district.

5. Venue is proper in this district under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b) and 1400(b). Defendant has committed acts of infringement and has a regular and established place of business in this District. Further, venue is proper because Defendant conducts substantial business in this forum, directly or through intermediaries, including: (i) at least a portion of the infringements alleged herein; and (ii) regularly doing or soliciting business, engaging in other persistent courses of conduct and/or deriving substantial revenue from goods and services provided to individuals in Texas and this District.

## **III. INFRINGEMENT**

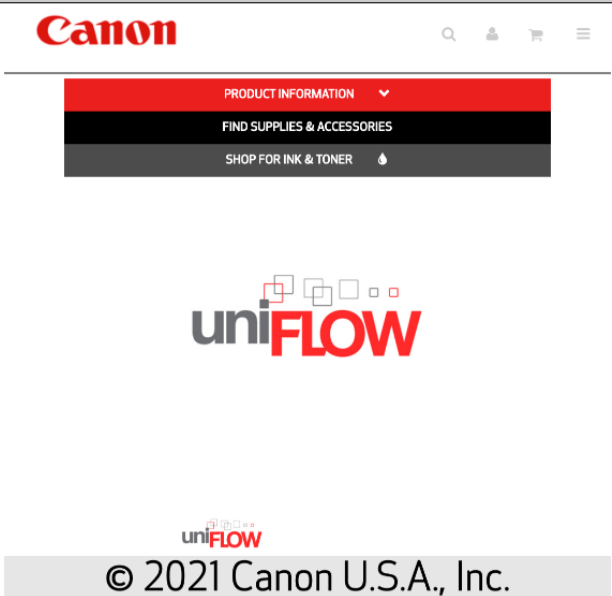
### **A. Infringement of the '285 Patent**

6. On January 17, 2017, U.S. Patent No. 9,549,285 ("the '285 patent", attached as Exhibit A) entitled "Systems, Methods and Apparatuses for Brokering Data Between Wireless Devices, Servers and Data Rendering Devices" was duly and legally issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Ortiz owns the '285 patent by assignment.

7. The '285 patent relates to a novel and improved system for secure communication over a public network.

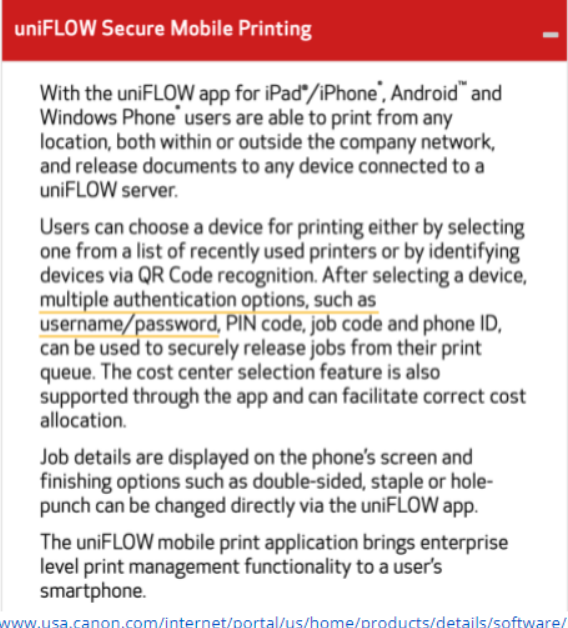
8. CANON maintains, operates, and administers systems and servers, that infringe one or more claims of the '285 patent, including one or more of claims 1-13, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents. Defendant put the inventions claimed by the '285 Patent into service (i.e., used them); but for Defendant's actions, the claimed-inventions embodiments involving Defendant's products and services would never have been put into service. Defendant's acts complained of herein caused those claimed-invention embodiments as a whole to perform, and Defendant's procurement of monetary and commercial benefit from it.

9. Support for the allegations of infringement may be found in the following preliminary table:

<p><b>US9549285 B2 Claim 1</b></p>	<p><b>Canon: uniFLOW Secure Mobile Printing</b></p>
<p>1. A system for rendering data provided via a data communications network at the request of a wireless device, comprising:</p>	 <p>The screenshot shows the Canon website for uniFLOW. At the top is the Canon logo and navigation icons. Below is a red navigation bar with 'PRODUCT INFORMATION' (dropdown), 'FIND SUPPLIES &amp; ACCESSORIES', and 'SHOP FOR INK &amp; TONER'. The uniFLOW logo is prominently displayed in the center. At the bottom, there is a copyright notice: '© 2021 Canon U.S.A., Inc.' followed by a URL: '&lt;https://www.usa.canon.com/internet/portal/us/home/products/details/software/mobile-solutions/uniflow-mobile-print&gt;'. Below the URL, there is a short description: 'Canon: uniFLOW Secure Mobile Printing is a system for rendering data provided via a data communications network at the request of a wireless device.' and a note: 'The reference includes subject matter disclosed by the Claim 1s of the patent after the priority date.' At the very bottom, it says 'The venue of the company is: ZZZ'.</p>

<p><b>US9549285 B2 Claim 1</b></p>	<p><b>Canon: uniFLOW Secure Mobile Printing</b></p>
<p>a server in communication with at least one data rendering device (DRD), said at least one DRD including a user interface for receiving passcodes, the DRD registered with said server to access and receive data over a data communications network at the request of a wireless device (WD) for rendering of the data at the at least one DRD in response to a passcode associated with said WD being entered at the user interface;</p>	<div data-bbox="500 268 1057 871" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px;"> <p style="background-color: #c00000; color: white; padding: 5px;"><b>uniFLOW Secure Mobile Printing</b></p> <p>With the uniFLOW app for iPad®/iPhone®, Android™ and Windows Phone™ users are able to print from any location, both within or outside the company network, and release documents to any device connected to a <u>uniFLOW server</u>.</p> <p>Users can choose a device for printing either by selecting one from a list of recently used printers or by identifying devices via QR Code recognition. After selecting a device, <u>multiple authentication options, such as username/password, PIN code, job code and phone ID,</u> can be used to securely release jobs from their print queue. The cost center selection feature is also supported through the app and can facilitate correct cost allocation.</p> <p>Job details are displayed on the phone's screen and finishing options such as double-sided, staple or hole-punch can be changed directly via the uniFLOW app.</p> <p>The uniFLOW mobile print application brings enterprise level print management functionality to a user's smartphone.</p> </div> <p><a href="https://www.usa.canon.com/internet/portal/us/home/products/details/software/mobile-solutions/uniflow-mobile-print">https://www.usa.canon.com/internet/portal/us/home/products/details/software/mobile-solutions/uniflow-mobile-print</a></p> <p>The reference describes a server in communication with at least one data rendering device (DRD), said at least one DRD including a user interface for receiving passcodes, the DRD registered with said server to access and receive data over a data communications network at the request of a wireless device (WD) for rendering of the data at the at least one DRD in response to a passcode associated with said WD being entered at the user interface.</p>

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<p>memory in said server accessible by said DRD, said memory for securely storing data received by or on behalf of said WD and said passcode associated with said WD; and</p>	<div data-bbox="462 273 1063 924" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px;"> <div style="background-color: #c00000; color: white; padding: 5px; display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <span>uniFLOW Secure Mobile Printing</span> <span>—</span> </div> <p>With the uniFLOW app for iPad®/iPhone®, Android™ and Windows Phone® users are able to print from any location, both within or outside the company network, and release documents to any device connected to a <u>uniFLOW server</u>.</p> <p>Users can choose a device for printing either by selecting one from a list of recently used printers or by identifying devices via QR Code recognition. After selecting a device, multiple authentication options, such as username/password, PIN code, job code and phone ID, can be used to securely release jobs from their print queue. The cost center selection feature is also supported through the app and can facilitate correct cost allocation.</p> <p>Job details are displayed on the phone's screen and finishing options such as double-sided, staple or hole-punch can be changed directly via the uniFLOW app.</p> <p>The uniFLOW mobile print application brings enterprise level print management functionality to a user's smartphone.</p> </div> <p><a href="https://www.usa.canon.com/internet/portal/us/home/products/details/software/mobile-solutions/uniflow-mobile-print">https://www.usa.canon.com/internet/portal/us/home/products/details/software/mobile-solutions/uniflow-mobile-print</a></p> <p>The reference describes memory in said server accessible by said DRD, said memory for securely storing data received by or on behalf of said WD and said passcode associated with said WD.</p>

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<p>wherein said server is configured to receive said data and said passcode associated with said WD from said memory and to render said data after at least one passcode is entered on said user interface that matches said passcode stored in said memory associated with said WD and provided to said DRD.</p>	 <p>With the uniFLOW app for iPad<sup>®</sup>/iPhone<sup>®</sup>, Android<sup>™</sup> and Windows Phone<sup>®</sup> users are able to print from any location, both within or outside the company network, and release documents to any device connected to a uniFLOW server.</p> <p>Users can choose a device for printing either by selecting one from a list of recently used printers or by identifying devices via QR Code recognition. After selecting a device, multiple authentication options, such as <u>username/password, PIN code, job code and phone ID</u>, can be used to securely release jobs from their print queue. The cost center selection feature is also supported through the app and can facilitate correct cost allocation.</p> <p>Job details are displayed on the phone's screen and finishing options such as double-sided, staple or hole-punch can be changed directly via the uniFLOW app.</p> <p>The uniFLOW mobile print application brings enterprise level print management functionality to a user's smartphone.</p> <p><a href="https://www.usa.canon.com/internet/portal/us/home/products/details/software/mobile-solutions/uniflow-mobile-print">https://www.usa.canon.com/internet/portal/us/home/products/details/software/mobile-solutions/uniflow-mobile-print</a></p> <p>The reference states that said server is configured to receive said data and said passcode associated with said WD from said memory and to render said data after at least one passcode is entered on said user interface that matches said passcode stored in said memory associated with said WD and provided to said DRD.</p>

These allegations of infringement are preliminary and are therefore subject to change.

10. CANON has and continues to induce infringement. CANON has actively encouraged or instructed others (e.g., its customers and/or the customers of its related companies), and continues to do so, on how to use its products and services such as to cause infringement of one or more of claims 1–13 of the '285 patent, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents. Moreover, CANON has known of the '285 patent and the technology underlying it from at least the filing date of this lawsuit.<sup>1</sup>

11. CANON has and continues to contributorily infringe. CANON has actively encouraged or instructed others (e.g., its customers and/or the customers of its related companies), and continues

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to do so, on how to use its products and services such as to cause infringement of one or more of claims 1–13 of the ‘285 patent, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents. Moreover, CANON has known of the ‘285 patent and the technology underlying it from at least from the filing date of this lawsuit.<sup>2</sup>

12. CANON has caused and will continue to cause DatRec damage by direct and indirect infringement of (including inducing infringement of) the claims of the ‘285 patent.

#### **IV. JURY DEMAND**

DatRec hereby requests a trial by jury on issues so triable by right.

#### **V. PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, DatRec prays for relief as follows:

- a. enter judgment that Defendant has infringed the claims of the ‘285 patent;
- b. award DatRec damages in an amount sufficient to compensate it for Defendant’s infringement of the ‘285 patent in an amount no less than a reasonable royalty or lost profits, together with pre-judgment and post-judgment interest and costs under 35 U.S.C. § 284;
- c. award DatRec an accounting for acts of infringement not presented at trial and an award by the Court of additional damage for any such acts of infringement;
- d. declare this case to be “exceptional” under 35 U.S.C. § 285 and award DatRec its attorneys’ fees, expenses, and costs incurred in this action;
- e. declare Defendant’s infringement to be willful and treble the damages, including attorneys’ fees, expenses, and costs incurred in this action and an increase in the damage award pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284;

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- f. a decree addressing future infringement that either (i) awards a permanent injunction enjoining Defendant and its agents, servants, employees, affiliates, divisions, and subsidiaries, and those in association with Defendant from infringing the claims of the Patents-in-Suit, or (ii) awards damages for future infringement in lieu of an injunction in an amount consistent with the fact that for future infringement the Defendant will be an adjudicated infringer of a valid patent, and trebles that amount in view of the fact that the future infringement will be willful as a matter of law; and
- g. award DatRec such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

**Ramey & Schwaller, LLP**

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