Judgment of the General Court of 21 January 2014 — Wilmar Trading v OHIM — Agroekola (ULTRA CHOCO)

(Case T-232/12) (1)

(Community trade mark — Opposition proceedings — Application for Community word mark ULTRA CHOCO — Earlier national word mark ultra choco — Unregistered earlier mark ULTRA CHOCO used in the course of trade in the European Union and in Bulgaria — Article 60 of Regulation (EC) No 207/2009 — Failure to comply with the obligation to pay appeal fee within the time-limit — Decision of the Board of Appeal declaring the appeal deemed not to have been filed)

(2014/C 61/14)

Language of the case: English

Parties

Applicant: Wilmar Trading Pte Ltd (Singapore, Singapore) (represented by: E. Miller, lawyer)

Defendant: Office for Harmonisation in the Internal Market (Trade Marks and Designs) (represented by: C. Negro and D. Botis, acting as Agents)

Other party to the proceedings before the Board of Appeal of OHIM: Agroekola EOOD (Sofia, Bulgaria)

Re:

Action brought against the decision of the First Board of Appeal of OHIM of 27 March 2012 (Case R 87/2012-1), relating to opposition proceedings between Wilmar Trading Pte Ltd and Agroekola EOOD.

Operative part of the judgment

The Court:

- 1. Dismisses the action.
- 2. Orders Wilmar Trading Pte Ltd to pay the costs.

(1) OJ C 243, 11.8.2012.

Action brought on 29 November 2013 — Eycharis Nezi v OHIM — Etam (E)

(Case T-645/13)

(2014/C 61/15)

Language in which the application was lodged: Greek

Parties

Applicant): Eycharis Nezi (Mykonos, Greece) (represented by: A Salkitzoglou, lawyer)

Defendant: Office for Harmonisation in the Internal Market (Trade Marks and Designs)

Other party to the proceedings before the Board of Appeal: Etam SAS (Clichy, France)

Form of order sought

The applicant claims that the General Court should:

- annul the decision of the Fourth Board of Appeal of the Office for Harmonisation in the Internal Market (Trade Marks and Designs) of 3 October 2013 in Case R 329/2013-4;
- vary the above decision so that the applicant's mark is registered for all the goods and service which were applied for and,
- order the opponent to pay all the applicant's legal costs, including all costs of any interveners.

Pleas in law and main arguments

Applicant for a Community trade mark: The applicant.

Community trade mark concerned: The figurative mark 'E', for goods and services in Classes 14, 16, 18, 25, 26, 35 and 40 — Community trade mark application No 8701138.

Proprietor of the mark or sign cited in the opposition proceedings: The opponent before the Board of Appeal.

Mark or sign cited in opposition: The Community figurative mark 'E', for goods in Classes 3, 18 and 25.

Decision of the Opposition Division: Rejection of the opposition.

Decision of the Board of Appeal: Partial annulment of the decision of the Opposition Division.

Pleas in law:

- Infringement of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union;
- Infringement of Article 4 of Regulation No 207/2009;

- Infringement of Article 8(1)(b) and (5) of Regulation No 207/2009;
- Infringement of Article 76 of Regulation No 207/2009, and
- Infringement of Articles 15 and 42 of Regulation No 207/2009.

Action brought on 3 December 2013 — IOIP Holdings v OHIM (GLISTEN)

(Case T-648/13)

(2014/C 61/16)

Language of the case: English

Parties

Applicant: IOIP Holdings LLC (Fort Wayne, United States of America) (represented by: H. Dhondt and S. Kinart, lawyers)

Defendant: Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market (Trade Marks and Designs)

Form of order sought

The applicant claims that the Court should:

- Annul the decision of the Second Board of Appeal of the Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market (Trade Marks and Designs) of 11 September 2013 given in Case R 1028/2013-2;
- Order the Office to register the Community trade mark applied for;
- Order the defendant to bear the costs of proceedings.

Pleas in law and main arguments

Community trade mark concerned: The word mark 'GLISTEN' for goods in Class 3 — Community trade mark application No 11 305 273

Decision of the Examiner: Rejected the application

Decision of the Board of Appeal: Dismissed the appeal

Pleas in law: Infringement of Article 7(1)(b) and (c) CTMR

Action brought on 12 December 2013 — Time v OHIM (InStyle)

(Case T-651/13)

(2014/C 61/17)

Language of the case: English

Parties

Applicant: Time Inc. (New York, United States) (represented by: D. Cañadas Arcas, lawyer)

Defendant: Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market (Trade Marks and Designs)

Form of order sought

The applicant claims that the Court should:

- Annul the decision of the Second Board of Appeal of the Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market (Trade Marks and Designs) of 20 September 2013 given in Case R 827/2013-2;
- Order the defendant to bear the costs of proceedings, including the costs of the appeal proceeding incurred before the Office.

Pleas in law and main arguments

Community trade mark concerned: The figurative trade mark for goods and services in Classes 9, 16 and 41 — Community trade mark application No 11 264 223

Decision of the Examiner: Rejected partially the application

Decision of the Board of Appeal: Dismissed the appeal

Pleas in law: Infringement of Article 7(1)(b) and (c) and Article 7(2) CTMR.

Action brought on 10 December 2013 — The Smiley Company v OHIM (Shape of a cookie)

(Case T-656/13)

(2014/C 61/18)

Language of the case: English

Parties

Applicant: The Smiley Company SPRL (Brussels, Belgium) (represented by: A. Freitag, lawyer)