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Re: U.S. Patent No. D1101472 — Response to Assertion of Infringement

Dear Counsel,

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence asserting infringement of U.S. Patent No. D1101472 (the "D1101472 Patent"). After preliminary review, we have substantial concerns about the validity, enforceability, and scope of the asserted claims, summarized below. We reserve all rights and defenses.

1. Subject Patent — Summary

Summary of US Patent D1101472

Title: Air fryer

Assignee: SharkNinja Operating LLC

Inventors: Adam Garland, Gregory Allan Fish, Alex Kibbe, Joshua D. Anthony, Kevin O'Malley, Christopher Meyer-Rassow

Filing Date: September 4, 2024

Issue Date: November 11, 2025

Abstract: Authoritative information for an abstract for US patent D1101472 is not available.

Design patents, such as this one, typically do not include a written abstract. The scope of a design patent is defined by its drawings and a single claim.

Independent Claim Overview

As a design patent, US patent D1101472 contains a single independent claim. A plain-language overview of this claim is as follows:

- Claim 1: The...

2. Validity Concerns under 35 U.S.C. § 102 — Prior Art

We have identified prior-art references that, in our preliminary view, anticipate one or more asserted claims of the D1101472 Patent:

Prior Art Analysis for US Patent D1101472

As of the date of this analysis, a direct retrieval of the "References Cited" section for US patent D1101472 through available search tools was not successful. Access to the patent's file history, typically available through direct search of databases like the USPTO Patent Public Search or Google Patents, is necessary to identify the specific prior art considered by the patent examiner during the examination of the application.

While basic bibliographic information for D1101472 has been confirmed—such as its title ("Air fryer"), assignee (SharkNinja Operating LLC), and issue date (November 11, 2025)—the specific documents that constitute the most relevant prior art are listed on the face of the patent, which could not be programmatically accessed.

Anticipation Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

For a design patent such as D1101472, the single claim covers the "ornamental design for an air fryer, as shown and described." Anticipation under 35 U.S.C. § 102 would require a single prior art reference to show a design that is substantially the same as the...

4. Litigation History of the Patent

Public records reflect that the D1101472 Patent has been the subject of the following litigation, which informs our view of the asserted claims and your client's enforcement posture:

- SharkNinja Sales Co et al. v. Zhejiang Baili Technology Co Ltd — 1:26-cv-11822 · Massachusetts District Court · filed 2026-04-20 · Open

4. Request

In light of the foregoing, we request that your client (i) provide a detailed claim chart identifying each accused product or service and mapping every limitation of each asserted claim, (ii) identify any prior art known to your client, including any references cited during prosecution or reexamination, and (iii) substantiate the basis for any damages or licensing demand. We are prepared to discuss the matter further once we have received and reviewed the foregoing.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

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