

# Procedural Order of the Court of First Instance of the Unified Patent Court Local Division The Hague delivered on 3/11/2025 concerning: order after interim conference (R. 105.5)

Date of receipt of Statement of claim: 07/11/2024

The Walt Statement
Disney of claim
Company served on
(Benelux) B.V. 19/11/2024

(Defendant) -Asterweg 15S -1031 HL -Amsterdam -NL

Disney Statement
Interactive of claim
Studios, Inc. served on
(Defendant) - 05/12/2024

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Buena Vista St,
- 91521 Burbank,
California - US

The Walt Statement
Disney of claim
Company served on
Limited 11/12/2024

(Defendant) -3 Queen Caroline Street - W6 9PE -Hammersmith, London - GB

REFERENCE CODE ECLI: Not provided

# **CLAIMANT/S**

1) Adeia Guides Inc. (Claimant) - 3025 Orchard Parkway - CA 95134 Tilman Müller-Stoy - San Jose - US

Represented by Prof. Dr.

# **DEFENDANT/S**

1) The Walt Disney Company (Benelux) B.V. (Defendant) - Asterweg 15S - 1031 HL -Amsterdam - NL

Represented by Dietrich Burkhard Kamlah Taylor Wessing PartGmbB

2) **Disney Interactive Studios, Inc.** (Defendant) - 500 South Buena Vista St, -91521 - Burbank, California - US

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3) The Walt Disney Company Limited (Defendant) - 3 Queen Caroline Street - W6 9PE - Hammersmith, London - GB

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## **PATENT AT ISSUE**

Patent no. Proprietor/s

Adeia Guides Inc. EP1969839

### **DECIDING JUDGE**

Presiding judge **Edger Brinkman** Judge-rapporteur **Edger Brinkman** 

LANGUAGE OF PROCEEDINGS: English

# SUBJECT-MATTER OF THE PROCEEDINGS

Infringement claim and counterclaim for revocation

#### GROUNDS FOR THE ORDER

Today the interim conference was held. Online were present:

Claimant: Adeia Guides Inc.

Prof. Dr. Tilman Müller-Stoy, UPC Representative for Claimant
Dr. Georg Anetsberger, UPC Representative for Claimant
Dr. Marius Fischer, UPC Representative for Claimant
Julia Bernatska, UPC Representative for Claimant
Michael Schwartz, Senior Vice President, Litigation at Claimant
Efrain Staino, Vice President, Litigation at Claimant

Rowena Young, Vice President, IP Rights Management/OTT Lead at Claimant

Michael Stevenson, Senior Vice President, Media Strategy & Litigation – EMEA at Claimant

**Defendant:** The Walt Disney Company (Benelux) B.V. et al.

Dr. Dietrich Kamlah (attorney-at-law)

Dr. Christian Lederer (attorney-at-law)

Dr. Michael Schächinger (attorney-at-law)

Dr. Joel Naegerl (patent attorney)

Dr. Lorenz Walder-Hartmann (patent attorney)

Pursuant to the summons of 30 October 2025, the following topics were discussed:

- R. 104.d

Parallel litigation is pending in UPC LD Munich (OH 15 January 2026), in German national court (OH 25 February 2026). Also, litigation is pending in the US and Brazil on the merits, which will take years to resolve. In BR, a PI is in place.

#### - R. 104.i-k

Parties discussed the value of the dispute, also – as requested by the JR – In respect of the enforcement security requested by Disney to the amount of 500 million Euros. Disney indicated 12 million may be more appropriate. The JR decided to follow the defendants and set the value at 12 million for both the claim and the counterclaim. This also means more fees should be paid to the Court.

Regarding the costs, it was agreed that each party will submit a cost estimate two weeks before the hearing, and one week before each party may comment on the costs submitted by the other side (max. 5 pages). Or parties settle on an amount.

- the requested postponement of the hearing

Defendants indicated that the intervening hearing of 28 Jan is no longer applicable so the OH may proceed on 29 January 2026 as scheduled.

- enforcement security and late filed submission as to the amount requested by Defendants, namely in their submission of 6 October 2025 and exhibit TW7 (by claimant)

As to the confidentiality, Disney agreed to the confidentiality club proposed by Adeia. The JR granted the request. No penalty enforcement is needed according to Disney. Adeia indicated that Disney regardless did not substantiate why Adeia would not be good for the money in case an injunction would be overturned. Disney contested. This decision is for the panel.

- late filing of the prior art references D8 and D9 (by claimant)

Disney indicated that the two weeks late filing after the rejoinder was a clerical mistake and that Adeia applied for an extension of two weeks on this ground, which was granted. The two-week late argument was therefore already resolved. Disney further argued that D8/D9 were submitted as a response to the amendment to the patent filed by Adeia and to that Adeia changed its position on interpretation of the granted claim. Disney will explain in 3 pages within two weeks what change in position it refers to. So, the decision to accept D8/D9 for the granted claims was deferred to the OH. For the amended claims, D8/D9 were accepted by the JR.

#### <u>Order</u>

#### The Court:

- Sets the value of the main claim and the counterclaim at € 12,000,000 and orders Adeia to pay the fee difference for the main claim within 10 days from service (R. 371.4)
- Grants the request for confidentiality as submitted by Disney;
- Refers for the rest to the grounds above.

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