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Judgment of the Court of First Instance of 10 December 2008 — Vitro Corporativo v OHIM — VKR Holding (Vitro)

(Case T-295/07) (1)

(Community trade mark — Opposition proceedings — Application for the Community figurative mark Vitro — Earlier Community word mark VITRAL — Relative ground for refusal — Likelihood of confusion — Article 8(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 40/94)

(2009/C 32/59)

Language of the case: Spanish

Parties

Applicant: Vitro Corporativo, SA de CV (Garza García, Nuevo Léon, Mexico) (represented by: J. Botella Reyna, lawyer)

Defendant: Office for Harmonisation in the Internal Market (Trade Marks and Designs) (represented by: J. Laporta Insa, acting as Agent)

Other party to the proceedings before the Board of Appeal of OHIM intervening before the Court of First Instance: VKR Holding A/S (Søborg, Denmark)

Re:

Action brought against the decision of the Second Board of Appeal of OHIM of 31 May 2007 (Case R 1640/2006-2), relating to opposition proceedings between VKR Holding A/S and Vitro Corporativo, SA de CV

Operative part of the judgment

The Court:

- 1. dismisses the action;
- 2. orders Vitro Corporativo, SA de CV to pay the costs.
- (1) OJ C 235, 6.10.2007.

Judgment of the Court of First Instance of 16 December 2008 — Mergel and Others v OHIM (Patentconsult)

(Case T-335/07) (1)

(Community trade mark — Application for the Community word mark Patentconsult — Absolute ground for refusal — Descriptive character — Article 7(1)(c) of Regulation (EC) No 40/94)

(2009/C 32/60)

Language of the case: German

Parties

Applicants: Volker Mergel (Wiesbaden, Germany); Klaus Kampfenkel (Hofheim, Germany); Burkart Bill (Darmstadt, Germany); and Andreas Herden (Wiesbaden) (represented by: G. Friderichs, lawyer)

Defendant: Office for Harmonisation in the Internal Market (Trade Marks and Designs) (represented by: S. Schäffner and G. Schneider, Agents)

Re:

Action brought against the decision of the Fourth Board of Appeal of OHIM of 25 June 2007 (Case R 299/2007-4) concerning the registration of the word sign Patentconsult as a Community trade mark.

Operative part of the judgment

The Court:

- 1. Dismisses the action;
- 2. Orders Mr Volker Mergel, Mr Klaus Kampfenkel, Mr Burkart Bill and Mr Andreas Herden to pay the costs.
- (1) OJ C 269, 10.11.2007.

Judgment of the Court of First Instance of 17 December 2008 — Somm v OHIM

(Case T-351/07) (1)

(Community trade mark — Application for Community tridimensional mark — Shelter for shade — Absolute grounds for refusal — Lack of distinctive character — Article 7(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 40/94 — Lack of distinctive character acquired by use — Article 7(3) of Regulation (EC) No 40/94)

(2009/C 32/61)

Language of the case: Italian

Parties

Applicant: Somm Srl (San Mauro Torinese, Italy) (represented by: M. Ferro, lawyer)