

Operative part of the judgment

The Court:

1. Dismisses the action;
2. Orders Wessel-Werk GmbH to pay the costs.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 211, 13.6.2016.

Judgment of the General Court of 23 March 2017 — Vignerons de la Méditerranée v EUIPO — Bodegas Grupo Yllera (LE VAL FRANCE)

(Case T-216/16) ⁽¹⁾

(EU trade mark — Opposition proceedings — Application for EU figurative mark LE VAL FRANCE — Earlier EU word mark VIÑA DEL VAL — Relative ground for refusal — Likelihood of confusion — Article 8(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 207/2009)

(2017/C 144/53)

Language of the case: French

Parties

Applicant: Vignerons de la Méditerranée (Narbonne, France) (represented by: M. Karsenty-Ricard and M. Merli, lawyers)

Defendant: European Union Intellectual Property Office (represented by: A. Folliard-Monguiral, acting as Agent)

Other party to the proceedings before the Board of Appeal of EUIPO: Bodegas Grupo Yllera SL (Rueda, Spain)

Re:

Action brought against the decision of the Fifth Board of Appeal of EUIPO of 2 March 2016 (Case R 427/2015-5) relating to opposition proceedings between Bodegas Grupo Yllera and Vignerons de la Méditerranée.

Operative part of the judgment

The Court:

1. Dismisses the action;
2. Orders Vignerons de la Méditerranée to pay the costs.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 243, 4.7.2016.

Judgment of the General Court of 22 March 2017 — Hoffmann v EUIPO

(Case T-425/16) ⁽¹⁾

(European Union trade mark — Application for EU word mark Genius — Absolute ground for refusal — No distinctive character — Article 7(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 207/2009)

(2017/C 144/54)

Language of the case: German

Parties

Applicant: Karl Hoffmann (Bad Schwalbach, Germany) (represented by: C. Jonas, lawyer)