Judgment of the General Court of 16 November 2022 — Epsilon Data Management v EUIPO — Epsilon Technologies (EPSILON TECHNOLOGIES)

(Case T-512/21) (1)

(EU trade mark — Revocation proceedings — EU figurative mark EPSILON TECHNOLOGIES — Genuine use of the mark — Article 18(1), second subparagraph, point (a), and Article 58(1)(a) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1001 — Nature of the use — Form differing in elements which do not alter the distinctive character — Use in connection with the services in respect of which the mark was registered)

(2023/C 24/50)

Language of the case: English

Parties

Applicant: Epsilon Data Management LLC (Plano, Texas, United States) (represented by: J. Bussé and C. De Preter, lawyers)

Defendant: European Union Intellectual Property Office (represented by: I. Harrington, D. Gája and V. Ruzek, acting as Agents)

Other party to the proceedings before the Board of Appeal of EUIPO, intervener before the General Court: Epsilon Technologies, SL (Madrid, Spain) (represented by: J. Carbonell Callicó and E. Felip Corrius, lawyers)

Re:

By its action under Article 263 TFEU, the applicant seeks the annulment of the decision of the Fifth Board of Appeal of the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) of 1 June 2021 (Joined Cases R 1611/2020-5 and R 1839/2020-5).

Operative part of the judgment

The Court:

- 1. Dismisses the action;
- 2. Orders Epsilon Data Management LLC to bear its own costs and to pay those incurred by the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) and by Epsilon Technologies, SL.
- (1) OJ C 412, 11.10.2021.

Judgment of the General Court of 16 November 2022 — Grupo Eig Multimedia v EUIPO — Globalización de Valores CFC & GCI (FORO16)

(Case T-796/21) (1)

(EU trade mark — Opposition proceedings — Application for EU figurative mark FORO16 — Earlier EU figurative and word marks Cambio16, Energia16, Cambio16 radio — Earlier national figurative and word marks Camb16, DEFENSA Y SEGURIDAD 16, CAMBIO16 DIGITAL, EVENTOS 16, Salón16 — Relative ground for refusal — Family of marks — No evidence — No likelihood of confusion — Article 8 (1)(b) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1001)

(2023/C 24/51)

Language of the case: Spanish

Parties

Applicant: Grupo Eig Multimedia, SL (Madrid, Spain) (represented by: D. Solana Giménez, lawyer)