

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
NASHVILLE DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	CIVIL NO. 3:10cv 00747
)	
EBONY WOOD IN VARIOUS FORMS)	JUDGE HAYNES
)	
Defendant.)	

**REPLY TO CLAIMANT GIBSON GUITAR CORP.'S
RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO STAY**

Plaintiff's objects to Claimant Gibson Guitar Corp.'s statement that the basis for Plaintiff's Motion to Stay is moot based on the withdrawal of the written discovery and Gibson's assertion that the Gibson's motion to dismiss and Plaintiff's Motion to Strike Claims for Lack of Standing after a Hearing may be decided on the existing record. Plaintiff requested a hearing on the Motion to Strike Claims (D.E. 30) and it is still the position of Plaintiff that a hearing is necessary on the Motion to Strike Claims. Based on the previous filing under seal (D.E. 47: Affidavit of Lana Pettus), Plaintiff asserts that the Motion to Stay (D.E. 44) should be granted as to Claimant Gibson Guitar for a period of time deemed reasonable by the court and as set out in the Affidavit of Lana Pettus.

Respectfully submitted,
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