## **Facts**

- 9. Plaintiff Mr. Margolin is the named inventor on numerous patents and patent applications, including United States Patent No. 5,566,073 ("the '073 Patent"), United States Patent No. 5,904,724 ("the '724 Patent"), United States Patent No. 5,978,488 ("the '488 Patent") and United States Patent No. 6,377,436 ("the '436 Patent") (collectively "the Patents").
- 10. Mr. Margolin is the legal owner and owner of record for the '488 and '436 Patents, and has never assigned those patents.
- 11. In July 2004, Mr. Margolin granted to Optima Technology Group ("OTG"), a Cayman Islands Corporation specializing in aerospace technology, a Power of Attorney regarding the '073 and '724 Patents. In exchange for the Power of Attorney, OTG agreed to pay Mr. Margolin royalties based on OTG's licensing of the '073 and '724 Patents.
- 12. In May 2006, OTG and Mr. Margolin licensed the '073 and '724 Patents to Geneva Aerospace, Inc., and Mr. Margolin received a royalty payment pursuant to the royalty agreement between Mr. Margolin and OTG.
- 13. On about July 20, 2004, Mr. Margolin assigned the '073 and '724 Patents to OTG.
- 14. In about November 2007, OTG licensed the '073 Patent to Honeywell International, Inc., and Mr. Margolin received a royalty payment pursuant to the royalty agreement between Mr. Margolin and OTG.
- 15. In December 2007, Defendant Zandian filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") fraudulent assignment documents allegedly assigning all four of the Patents to Optima Technology Corporation.
- 16. Upon discovery of the fraudulent filing, Mr. Margolin: (a) filed a report with the Storey County Sheriff's Department; (b) took action to regain record title to the '488 and '436 Patents that he legally owned; and (c) assisted OTG in regaining record title of the '073 and '724 Patents that it legally owned and upon which it contracted with Mr. Margolin for royalties.
- 17. Shortly before this, Mr. Margolin and OTG had been named as defendants in an action for declaratory relief regarding non-infringement of the '073 and '724 Patents in the