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Re: Reply to complaint of Rebecca Fulton, dated 11/09/2024

To whom it may concern;

This letter is in response to the above referenced complaint filed by Ms. Rebecca Fulton against Davison Design and Development, Inc. (Davison) on or about 11/09/2024. At the outset, it should be made clear that Ms. Fulton is not, nor has she ever been, a client of Davison. Her complaint alleges to be filed on her behalf and that of Michael Coleman. Mr. Coleman was a client, though no services have been provided to him. There is no factual basis to support the complaint.

As to Mr. Coleman, he initiated contact with Davison by submitting an idea for a new product on, or about, 03/19/2020. He entered a contract for pre-development research services on 04/07/2020. This service would have obligated Davison to compile material on patents and information on product then available on the market, that were similar, or related, to his submitted idea. Mr. Coleman did not make payment of the fee and no service have been provided. Davison has not further pursued his product idea.

The allegation that Davison “stole” the submitted idea is false, unsubstantiated, and defamatory. When ideas are submitted to Davison, they are submitted pursuant to a Confidentiality Agreement. Per that Agreement, Davison agrees to not use a client’s idea without written permission. Davison takes this obligation seriously and adheres to it its terms with all submitted ideas. That stated, there are literally millions of issued patents, filed applications, and products in the market place. It is not uncommon for multiple people to have the same, or similar, idea. Part of the purpose of Davison’s initial pre-development service is to provide the client with some understanding of the nature and extent of the “prior art” so that they may be more informed before deciding to pursue further development of their idea. Davison cannot be responsible for every similar product that others may independently develop.

In summary,

- Ms. Fulton is not a client of Davison;
- Mr. Coleman contracted for pre-development research services but did not pay the contract fee;
- No services have been provided by Davison;
- Davison has not pursued Mr. Coleman’s product idea;
- There is no basis for the complaint; and
- Mr. Coleman’s file has been closed.

Sincerely,

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