COPYRIGHT CLAIMS BOARD

Docket number: 26-CCB-0425
November 19, 2026

Mariusz P Nowak	*v.*	Orest Melnyk
CLAIMANT		**RESPONDENT**

DISCOVERY ORDER

This is a smaller-claims track proceeding. 17 U.S.C. § 1506(z); 37 C.F.R. § 226. The presiding Copyright Claims Officer held an initial conference in this proceeding on November 18, 2026. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 226.4(c)(i). The parties shall now proceed with discovery.

The Copyright Claims Board (Board) has fillable discovery forms for each party in standard-track claims to use, which are linked below and available on page 3 of the **Discovery** chapter of the CCB Handbook. As this is a smaller-claims track proceeding, the Board has reduced the number of interrogatories and document production requests from what is required in the standard forms, as tailored at the initial conference. Specifically:

- The claimant shall produce the documents identified in Items 1-6, 10, 11, 17, and 18 in the standard **Request to Produce Documents form** for parties asserting an infringement claim and shall produce answers to the interrogatories identified in Items 1, 2, 4, 8, 12-15, and 17 of the standard **Interrogatories form** for parties asserting an infringement claim.
- The respondent shall produce the documents identified in Items 1-6, 9, 10, 12, and 16 in the standard **Request to Produce Documents form** for parties defending an infringement claim and shall produce answers to the interrogatories identified in Items 1, 2, 4, and 11-16 of the standard **Interrogatories form** for parties defending an infringement claim.

The parties shall complete discovery on or before **January 4, 2027,** by exchanging their responses to the interrogatories and producing the documents to each other, as set forth above. **Discovery responses and documents are sent to the opposing party but are not filed with the Board.**

If a party or the parties need additional time for discovery, or seek additional limited discovery, they may request additional time, ahead of the deadline, by emailing the Board at asktheboard@ccb.gov. **If the parties have a discovery dispute, they must attempt to work out the dispute before bringing it to the Board's attention.** If they cannot work out the dispute, they may file a request for a discovery conference that explains the dispute and the efforts made by the parties to resolve the dispute and includes the disputed interrogatories and/or document requests.

The Board will hold a status conference on **January 13, 2027, at 2:00 PM ET**.

If you have questions, please contact **asktheboard@ccb.gov**. Include your docket number in the subject line. The Board is unable to provide legal advice. We can provide only legal information and assistance concerning Board procedures and requirements. For more information, please refer to the **Discovery** chapter in the CCB Handbook. If you would like to seek further guidance from a lawyer or a law student at reduced or no cost, please visit the **Pro Bono Assistance** page on ccb.gov.

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