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to find out what U.S. patents or trademarks are involved in litigation.

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to extract cross reference LitAlert accession numbers to find other records pertaining to the same patent or trademark court case.

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to arrange results by court and docket number.

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to see which companies are frequently involved in lawsuits.

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**SUBJECT COVERAGE**

**LitAlert** covers litigation pertaining to U.S. patents and trademarks.

**DIALOG FILE DATA**

Inclusive Dates: 1973 forward

Update Frequency: Weekly

File Size: Over 66,500 records as of March 2004

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## SAMPLE RECORD - TRADEMARKS

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AA=	LitAlert Number:	T1996-09-26
RT=, DT=	Record (Document) Type:	Trademark (Registered)
/TX, ET=	<b>Trademark:</b>	<b>Taylor Made</b>
RN=, RD=, YR=	Trademark Number (Date):	1200542 (19820706)
/CO, CO=, OW=, GL=	Trademark Owner:	Taylor Made Golf Company Inc, McHenry IL
/CX, TL=	Class Titles (Codes):	Games, Toys, & Sporting Goods (22)
CR=, DN=	Court - Docket Number:	Illinois, Northern Dist. - 96C885
/CO, CO=, PF=, GL=	Plaintiff:	Taylor Made Golf Company Inc, Carlsbad CA
/CO, CO=, DF=	Defendant:	Wayne Products Inc; dba; Tour Golf Products, Newark OH
GL=	Filing Date:	19960215
FD=, YF=	Action Taken:	A Rule 13 Notice was filed.
/AT	Notes:	(DA) Attorneys for plaintiff: Vedder Price Kaufman & Kammholz - Chicago IL.
/NT		
PN=	Other Patent Numbers:	US 5484155
RN=	Other Trademark Numbers:	1200542; 1411498; 1458350; 1455320; 1609092; 1797954; 1926587

## SAMPLE RECORD - PATENTS

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AA=	LitAlert Number:	P1993-45-02
XR=	Related LitAlert Numbers:	P1993-37-01
RT=, DT=	Record (Document) Type:	Patent (Utility)
/TI	<b>Patent Title:</b>	<b>Scintillation Camera &amp; Head Therefor Having Means for Improving Resolution Over a Limited Field of View</b>
PN=, PD=, PY=	Patent Number (Date):	US 4001591 (19770104)
/CO, CO=, PA=	Patent Assignee:	Elscint Ltd
AU=, GL=	Inventor:	Inbar Dan, Haifa ISRAEL
/CX, CL=	US Class Titles (Codes):	Radiant Energy (250363000)
CR=	Court - Docket Number:	California, Northern Dist., San Jose - C-93-20626RMW
DN=	Plaintiff:	ADAC Laboratories Inc, Milpitas CA
/CO, CO=, PF=, GL=	Defendant:	Elscint Ltd, Haifa ISRAEL
/CO, CO=, DF=, GL=	Filing Date:	19930825
FD=, YF=	Subsequent Action Date:	19931020
SD=, YS=	Action Taken:	Plaintiff's notice of dismissal without prejudice filed pursuant to FRCP 41.
/AT	Notes:	(DA) Attorneys for plaintiff: Blakely Sokoloff Taylor & Zafman - Sunnyvale CA; Attorneys for defendant: Pettit & Martin - San Jose CA.
/NT		
PN=	Other Patent Numbers:	US 4095108; US 4424446; US 4555728; US 4588897; US 4644398

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## BASIC INDEX

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/AT	AT	Action Taken	Word	S RULE(W)13/AT
/CO	CO	Company Name <sup>1</sup>	Word	S TAYLOR(W)MADE/CO
/CX	CX	Patent and Trademark Class Titles <sup>2</sup>		
/NT	NT	Notes	Word	S BLAKELY(W)SOKOLOFF/NT
/TI	TI	Patent Case Title	Word	S SCINTILLATION(N)CAMERA? /TI
/TX	TX	Trademark Case Title	Word	S (TAYLOR AND MADE)/TX

<sup>1</sup> Includes patent assignee, trademark owner, plaintiff and defendant names. Also indexed as CO=.

<sup>2</sup> Includes patent and trademark class descriptions. Also indexed as CX=.

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AU=	AU	Author/Inventor	Phrase	S AU=INBAR D?
—	AZ	DIALOG Accession Number		
CL=	CL	U.S. Patent Class Code and Title	Phrase	S CL=250363000 S CL=250 S CL=RADIANT ENERGY
CO=	CO	Company Name <sup>1</sup>	Phrase	S CO=ELSCINT?
CR=	CR	Court (State and District)	Word & Phrase	S CR=CA(S)NORTHERN S CR=CALIFORNIA, NORTHERN DIST?
CX=	CX	Patent/Trademark Class Codes and Titles	Phrase	S CX=GAMES? S CX=22
—	DA	All Dates		
DF=	DF	Defendant	Word & Phrase	S DF=(TOUR(W)GOLF(W)PRODUCTS) S DF=ELSCINT LTD
DN=	DN	Docket Number	Phrase	S DN=96C885 S DN=C-93-20626?
DT=	DT	Document Type	Phrase	S DT=UTILITY S DT=REGISTERED
ET=	ET	Exact Trademark	Phrase	S ET=TAYLOR MADE
FD=	FD	Litigation Filing Date	Phrase	S FD=19960215
GL=	GL	Geographic Location <sup>3</sup>	Word & Phrase	S GL=(CARLSBAD(W)CA) S GL= CARLSBAD CA
LW=	LW	LitAlert Week	Phrase	S LW=P1993-45
—	OP	Other Patent Numbers		
—	OT	Other Trademark Numbers		
OW=	OW	Trademark Owner	Word & Phrase	S OW=(TAYLOR AND GOLF) S OW=TAYLOR MADE GOLF CO?
PA=	PA	Patent Assignee	Word & Phrase	S PA=ELSCINT S PA=ELSCINT LTD?
PD=	PD	Patent Publication Date	Phrase	S PD=19770104
PF=	PF	Plaintiff	Word & Phrase	S PF=(ADAC(W)LAB?) S PF=ADAC LABORATOR?
PN=	PN	All Patent Numbers	Phrase	S PN=US 5484155
PN=	PN	Main Patent Number <sup>4</sup>	Phrase	S PN=4001591/MA
PY=	PD	Patent Publication Year	Phrase	S PY=1977
RD=	RD	Trademark Registration Date	Phrase	S RD=19820706
RN=	RN	All Trademark Registration Numbers	Phrase	S RN=1508629
RN=	RN	Main Trademark Registration Number <sup>4</sup>	Phrase	S RN=1200542/MA
RT=	RT	Record Type	Phrase	S RT=PATENT S RT=TRADEMARK
SD=	SD	Subsequent Action Date	Phrase	S SD=19931020
SF=	—	Special Feature <sup>5</sup>	Phrase	S SF=TRADEMARK CASE INCLUDING PATENTS
TL=	TL	U.S. Trademark Class Code and Title	Phrase	S TL=GAMES, TOYS? S TL=22
UD=	—	Update	Phrase	S UD=9999
XR=	XR	Cross-Reference LitAlert Number <sup>6</sup>	Phrase	S XR=P1993-37-01
YF=	FD	Year Litigation Filed	Phrase	S YF=1996
YR=	RD	Year of Trademark Registration	Phrase	S YR=1982
YS=	SD	Year of Subsequent Action	Phrase	S YS=1993

<sup>3</sup> Includes city, state, and country information for patent assignee, trademark owner, plaintiff, defendant, and inventor when available.

<sup>6</sup> Subsequent action records cross reference the original filing record.

<sup>4</sup> Use /MA to restrict patent or trademark numbers to the main patent or trademark number in the record.

<sup>5</sup> Indicates if litigation includes patents, trademarks, or both.

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7	--	Full Record
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