

October 21, 2025

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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5 BLAKE LIVELY,

6 Plaintiff,

7 vs.

CASE NO. 24-CV-10049-LJL (LEAD CASE)
25-CV-449 (LJL) (MEMBER CASE)

8 WAYFARER STUDIOS LLC, ET AL.

9 Defendants.

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11 JENNIFER ABEL,

Third-party Plaintiff,

12 vs.

JONESWORKS, LLC,

Third-party Defendant.

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14 WAYFARER STUDIOS LLC, et al.

Consolidated Plaintiffs,

15 vs.

BLAKE LIVELY, et al.

Consolidated Defendants.

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17 **CONFIDENTIAL ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY**

18 VIDEO-RECORDED DEPOSITION OF FAMILY HIVE, LLC

19 BY AND THROUGH LAURA TEDESCO

20 VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING FROM

21 New York, New York

22 Tuesday, October 21, 2025

23 Stenographically Reported by: Ashley Soevyn,

CALIFORNIA CSR No. 12019

24 Job No. CA7674336

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1 granted and services to be performed by
2 lender and talent under this agreement,
3 company shall pay lender as follows."

4 Do you see that language?

5 A I do.

6 Q And if we look up at the top of the
7 agreement, talent is defined as "Blake Lively."

8 Do you see that?

9 A Yes.

10 Q And lender is defined as "LOL HATA." And
11 that's a member of Family Hive, correct?

12 A LOL HATA is an LLC owned by Blake.

13 Q But the LLC is a member of Family Hive.
14 It has membership interest in the company?

15 A Yes.

16 Q Okay. And your understanding is that is
17 owned by Blake Lively?

18 A Yes.

19 MS. ROESER: Objection.

20 BY MR. KALTGRAD:

21 Q And how do you know it's owned by
22 Blake Lively?

23 A I believe it -- give me one sec. The
24 first sentence says:

25 (As read):

1 "LOL HATA, a Delaware limited liability
2 company entirely owned/controlled by
3 Blake Lively."

4 Q Okay. So your understanding comes from
5 this agreement itself, correct?

6 A Correct.

7 Q Okay. Now, if you look back at Section
8 4.1 -- and sorry. I'm going to be kind of going
9 back and forth on this document a bit, so...

10 The sentence I just read, the term
11 "services" is a capitalized defined term. Do you
12 see the word "services" in there?

13 A In?

14 Q In Section 4.1, the first sentence.

15 A Yeah.

16 Q Okay. And if we go to page 9, Section 3
17 describes talent services.

18 Do you see that?

19 A I do see that.

20 Q And that first sentence:

21 (As read):

22 "During the services term as defined
23 below, subject to lender's approval
24 pursuant to Section 2.4 above, lender
25 shall cause talent to provide to

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1 you look at Section 4.1.2, that's titled "Additional
2 Royalties."

3 Do you see that?

4 A I do.

5 Q Okay. Now, those additional royalties
6 only become a factor after five years after launch;
7 is that right?

8 A That is correct.

9 Q Okay. So would it be correct that LOL
10 HATA has not been paid any additional royalties
11 pursuant to this section since launch?

12 A That's correct.

13 Q Does this promotional services license
14 agreement accurately describe LOL HATA's
15 entitlement to royalties from Family Hive?

16 A Yes.

17 MS. ROESER: Objection.

18 THE WITNESS: Yes.

19 BY MR. KALTGRAD:

20 Q To your understanding, does Blake Lively
21 have any direct entitlement to royalties that
22 doesn't go through LOL HATA?

23 A Not to my understanding. My
24 understanding is everything goes through LOL HATA.

25 Q Have the royalty provisions of this