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IN THE MATTER OF

MRS. MARY BLACK TRADING AS AKRON ARTIFICIAL
FLOWERS AND SUPPLIESCONSENT ORDER, ETC., IN REGARD TO THE ALLEGED VIOLATION
OF THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION AND THE FLAMMABLE
FABRICS ACTS*Docket C-1597. Complaint, Oct. 10, 1969—Decision, Oct. 10, 1969*

Consent order requiring an Akron, Ohio, seller of various consumer goods to cease distributing fabric items which fail to conform to the standards issued under the Flammable Fabrics Act, and to file a special report on the disposition of her stock of such items.

COMPLAINT

Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Flammable Fabrics Act, as amended, and by virtue of the authority vested in it by said Acts, the Federal Trade Commission, having reason to believe that Mrs. Mary Black, an individual trading as Akron Artificial Flowers and Supplies, hereinafter referred to as respondent, has violated the provisions of said Acts and Rules and Regulations promulgated under the Flammable Fabrics Act, as amended, and it appearing to the Commission that a proceeding by it in respect thereof would be in the public interest, hereby issues its complaint stating its charges in that respect as follows:

PARAGRAPH 1. Respondent Mrs. Mary Black is an individual trading as Akron Artificial Flowers and Supplies. She is engaged in the sale of various consumer goods, including, but not limited to, wood fiber chips. The business address of the respondent is 1213 Kohler Street, Akron, Ohio.

PAR. 2. Respondent is now and some time last past has been engaged in the sale and offering for sale, in commerce, and in the importation into the United States, and has introduced, delivered for introduction, transported and caused to be transported in commerce, and has sold or delivered after sale or shipment in commerce, fabrics, as the terms "commerce" and "fabric" are defined in the Flammable Fabrics Act, as amended, which fabrics failed to conform to an applicable standard or regulation continued in effect, issued or amended under the provisions of the Flammable Fabrics Act, as amended.

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Among such fabrics mentioned hereinabove were wood fiber chips.

PAR. 3. The aforesaid acts and practices of respondent were, and are in violation of the Flammable Fabrics Act, as amended, and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder, and constituted, and now constitute, unfair methods of competition and unfair and deceptive acts and practices in commerce within the intent and meaning of the Federal Trade Commission Act.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Federal Trade Commission having initiated an investigation of certain acts and practices of the respondent named in the caption hereof, and the respondent having been furnished thereafter with a copy of a draft of complaint which the Bureau of Textiles and Furs proposed to present to the Commission for its consideration and which, if issued by the Commission, would charge respondents with violation of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Flammable Fabrics Act, as amended; and

The respondent and counsel for the Commission having thereafter executed an agreement containing a consent order, an admission by the respondent of all the jurisdictional facts set forth in the aforesaid draft of complaint, a statement that the signing of said agreement is for settlement purposes only and does not constitute an admission by respondent that the law has been violated as alleged in such complaint, and waivers and other provisions as required by the Commission's Rules; and

The Commission having thereafter considered the matter and having determined that it had reason to believe that the respondent had violated the said Acts, and that complaint should issue stating its charges in that respect, and having thereupon accepted the executed consent agreement and placed such agreement on the public record for a period of thirty (30) days, now in further conformity with the procedure prescribed in § 2.34(b) of its Rules, the Commission hereby issues its complaint, makes the following jurisdictional findings, and enters the following order:

1. Respondent is an individual trading as Akron Artificial Flowers and Supplies. She is engaged in the sale of various consumer goods and her address is 1213 Kohler Street, Akron, Ohio.

2. The Federal Trade Commission has jurisdiction of the subject matter of this proceeding and of the respondent, and the proceeding is in the public interest.

ORDER

It is ordered, That the respondent, Mrs. Mary Black, individually and trading as Akron Artificial Flowers and Supplies, or under any other name, and respondent's representatives, agents and employees, directly or through any corporate or other device, do forthwith cease and desist from selling, offering for sale, in commerce, or importing into the United States, or introducing, delivering for introduction, transporting or causing to be transported in commerce, or selling or delivering after sale or shipment in commerce, any fabric as "commerce" and "fabric" are defined in the Flammable Fabrics Act, as amended, which fails to conform to an applicable standard or regulation continued in effect, issued or amended under the provisions of the aforesaid Act.

It is further ordered, That the respondent herein shall within ten (10) days after service upon her of this order file with the Commission an interim special report in writing setting forth the respondent's intention as to compliance with this order. This interim special report shall also advise the Commission fully and specifically concerning the identity of the fabric which gave rise to the complaint, (1) the amount of such fabric in inventory, (2) any action taken to notify customers of the flammability of such fabric and the results thereof and (3) any disposition of such fabric since October 2, 1968. Such report shall further inform the Commission whether respondent has in inventory any fabric, product or related material having a plain surface and made of silk, rayon or cotton or combinations thereof in a weight of two ounces or less per square yard or made of cotton or rayon or combinations thereof with a raised fiber surface. Respondent will submit samples of any such fabric, product or related material with this report.

It is further ordered, That the respondent herein shall, within sixty (60) days after service upon her of this order, file with the Commission a report in writing setting forth in detail the manner and form in which she has complied with this order.

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IN THE MATTER OF

JACK EZELL, ET AL.

CONSENT ORDER, ETC., IN REGARD TO THE ALLEGED VIOLATION OF THE
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION ACT

Docket C-1598. Complaint, Oct. 23, 1969—Decision, Oct. 23, 1969

Consent order requiring an individual associated with a Washington, D.C., school for detectives to cease misrepresenting employment opportunities, exaggerating the size and quality of the school's instructional staff or its facilities or equipment, using false testimonials, failing to reveal all terms of the school's installment contracts, deceptively inducing the signing of such contracts, and seeking to enforce any contract obtained through misrepresentation.

COMPLAINT

Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Trade Commission Act, and by virtue of the authority vested in it by said Act, the Federal Trade Commission, having reason to believe that Jack Ezell also known as Jack Young and as Thomas A. Ezelle, individually and as a former employee of Eastern Detective Academy, Inc., hereinafter referred to as respondent, has violated the provisions of said Act, and it appearing to the Commission that a proceeding by it in respect thereof would be in the public interest, hereby issues its complaint stating its charges in that respect as follows:

PARAGRAPH 1. Eastern Detective Academy, Inc., is a corporation organized, existing and doing business under and by virtue of the laws of the District of Columbia, with its principal office and place of business located at 724 14th Street, NW., in Washington, D.C.

Respondent Jack Ezell also known as Jack Young and as Thomas A. Ezelle, is an individual and was formerly an employee and director of said corporation who acted in the capacity of manager. Prior to August 1967, he participated in the formulation, direction and control of the acts and practices of the said corporation, including the acts and practices hereinafter set forth. His business address was the same as that of said corporation, and currently is 1343 H Street, NW., Washington, D.C., where he participates in the operation of a detective school for another company.