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**PRESSURE SPECIALIST INC. AKA NINJA PAINTBALL WINS
PATENT INFRINGEMENT CASE. AWARDED AN
INJUNCTION AGAINST NEXT GEN INC. AKA POWERHOUSE**

The long-running patent infringement battle involving US Patent No. 7,059,343 (“Direct Acting Gas Regulator”) between Pressure Specialist, Inc. aka Ninja Paintball and Next Gen Manufacturing, Inc. aka Powerhouse ended May 6, 2022. District Court Judge Matthew F. Kennelly entered a Consent Judgement and Permanent Injunction. (copy attached). The Court Order prohibits, among other things, Next Gen and its owner, Carl A. Bonta, Jr., from “making, using, selling importing or offering to sell the HAYMAKR Regulator, the Gen II Regulator or the HK Army Regulators.” The order came after the Court ruled in February that Next Gen and Bonta were liable for patent infringement of the Gen II paintball regulator. Trial in the case was set to start on May 6, 2022.

Counsel for Pressure Specialist, Dean D. Niro stated that “Pressure Specialist was able to achieve justice through the entry of the permanent injunction of the GEN II and HAYMKR regulators. We were confident that we were going to show that Next Gen was a serial patent infringer at trial.”

Carl Bonta, Jr. and Jeffery Schreiber are ex-employees of PSI.

John Ripkey, President of PSI, said the “he is happy with the result and vindication of PSI’s patent rights over Next Gen Inc.” In addition, as part of a global settlement of the dispute, Powerhouse agreed to a license, from PSI, for the TKO regulator under PSI’s 7,059,343 patent.