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**“TROY INDUSTRIES, INC. FILES CIVIL COMPLAINT AGAINST SAMSON MANUFACTURING CORPORATION AND SCOTT SAMSON, INDIVIDUALLY”**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE—February 8, 2005, (Boston, MA)** On Thursday, January 13, 2005, **Troy Industries, Inc.** (“**Troy**”) filed a Civil Complaint in Suffolk Superior Court in Boston against Samson Manufacturing Corporation and Scott A. Samson, individually. The case was accepted into the Business Litigation Section on January 14, 2005. Troy Industries seeks injunctive relief and damages for the taking of **Troy Industries’** trade secrets and confidential and proprietary business information by Samson Manufacturing Corporation and Scott A. Samson. The trade secrets consist of **Troy Industries’** design of components and accessories that retrofit and upgrade the M-16 rifle and carbine, including but not limited to the design of the Modular Rail Forend (“**MRF**”), Aimpoint Scope Mount, and Forward Handgrip with the intent to convert it to its own use and did convert it to its own use.

Stephen Troy, the founder of **Troy Industries**, stated "**Troy Industries** intends to vigorously pursue this lawsuit to protect its ownership in the design of these weapons components and to protect the integrity of these designs in the marketplace".

In the lawsuit, **Troy Industries** alleges that Samson Manufacturing, in November, 2004, began selling the MRF and claiming that it designed the MRF in violation of its Confidentiality Agreement with **Troy Industries**.

Mr. Troy also elaborated on the content of the Confidentiality Agreement, “In entering into the Confidentiality Agreement, Samson agreed to hold in trust and strict confidence and not use **Troy Industries’** proprietary business information for any purpose other than to manufacture the Troy M.R.F., Troy Aimpoint Scope Mount, Troy Forward Handgrip, and Troy Muzzle Brake for Troy Industries.”

Mr. Troy is confident in the outcome of the case, stating that “Samson also agreed that any of **Troy Industries’** confidential and/or proprietary business information could not be reproduced or copied except as necessary to manufacture, must be returned when no longer needed or at the termination of the Confidentiality Agreement, and that any artwork, drawings, design, prints, or data related to **Troy Industries** was the sole property of **Troy Industries**.”

The Complaint contains thirteen counts including: Violation of M.G.L. ch. 93, § 42 – Taking of Trade Secrets; Misappropriation of Confidential and Proprietary Business Information; Fraudulent Inducement; Conversion; Intentional and Tortious Interference with Advantageous Contractual/Business Relations; Breach of Contract; Violation of M.G.L. ch. 93A; and Unjust Enrichment.

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**About Troy Industries, Inc.**

Troy Industries, Inc., founded in 2002, is a recognized U.S. Government Contractor specializing in the design, manufacture, and marketing of small arms components, small arms accessories, and complete upgrade and reutilization of existing arms. The founder, Mr. Stephen Troy, has 17 years of experience as a weapons specialist, including time spent in the Connecticut Air

National Guard as a Weapons Systems Security Specialist, active duty in the Middle East for the United States Air Force Reserve, and as a Massachusetts State Trooper. He has completed numerous courses in advanced training provided by the U.S. Department of Defense and U.S. Air Force in military small arms and in counter-terrorism.