

Jeff Dunham Tries to Bring Curtain Down on T-Shirt Company

Comedian, Jeff Dunham, “plays a bland everyman who brings to life a series of over-the-top puppet characters, some of which have offended politically correct sensibilities – there’s a skeletal terrorist, a crotchety old geezer, a jalapeño pepper with a Mexican accent, a flamboyant pimp, and so on,” reported in BakerHostetler’s *blog*.

“These characters are Jeff Dunham’s living.”

“The value of Dunham’s puppet partners is at the center of a deeply exasperated complaint he filed in the Central District of California in April. Dunham goes after the defendants, Raymond Lei and his novelty fashion company ooshirts... Allegedly, Lei and company have spent years profiting from Dunham’s copyrights and trademarks by printing his various characters and their catch phrases, as well as images of Dunham himself, on T-shirts and other products.”

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