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- "Thus, the plain language of 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c) does not require that a
 plaintiff establish that the junior mark is identical, nearly identical or
 substantially similar to the senior mark in order to obtain injunctive relief.
 Rather, a plaintiff must show, based on the factors set forth in §
 1125(c)(2)(B), including the degree of similarity, that a junior mark is likely to
 impair the distinctiveness of the famous mark." Id. at 1172
- See also Starbucks Corp. v. Wolfe's Borough Coffee, Inc., 588 F.3d 97 (2d Cir. 2009) (holding that TDRA does not require heightened similarity)

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 "We conclude that the new Act creates a kind of rebuttable presumption, or at least a very strong inference, that a new mark used to sell sex related products is likely to tarnish a famous mark if there is a clear semantic association between the two. That presumption has not been rebutted in this case."





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