



I. INTRODUCTION

On February 26, 2018, Seoul Semiconductor Co., Ltd. and Seoul Semiconductor, Inc. (collectively, "Seoul") filed a Motion to Stay Pending *Inter Partes* Review ("Motion to Stay") in related case no. 8:17-cv-981-JVS-JCG. Seoul asked the Court to stay proceedings while the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") considers issues of validity with respect to U.S. Pat. Nos. 6,949,771 ("the '771 Patent"); 7,256,486 ("the '486 Patent"); and 7,524,087 ("the '087 Patent") asserted by Plaintiff Document Security Systems, Inc. ("DSS"). Mot. to Stay, Case 8:17-cv-981-JVS-JCG, ECF No. 57, at 1-2, 4 (Feb. 26, 2018). DSS has asserted the same three patents against every defendant in each of the actions captioned above.

On March 26, 2018 the Court denied Seoul's motion "without prejudice to the filing of a renewed motion to stay if the IPR petitions are granted." *Document Security Sys., Inc. v. Seoul Semiconductor Co.*, 8:17-cv-981-JVS(JCGx), ECF 68, at 8 (March 26, 2018).

On June 7, 2018, the USPTO granted Seoul's petition and instituted *inter* partes review of claims 1-9 of the '771 Patent. IPR2018-00265, Paper 8.

On June 21, 2018, the USPTO granted Seoul's petition and instituted *inter* partes review of claims 1-3 of the '486 Patent. IPR2018-00333, Paper 9.

In May 2018, Nichia Corporation and Nichia America Corporation filed petitions for *inter partes* review of the '771 Patent, the '486 Patent, the '087 Patent, and U.S. Pat. No. 7,919,787 ("the '787 Patent"). Nichia's petitions cover every patent asserted in the actions captioned above. On July 23, 2018, the Court stayed DSS's litigation against Nichia. *Document Security Sys., Inc. v. Nichia Corp.*, 2:17-cv-8849 JVS-(JEMx), ECF 61, at 5 (July 23, 2018).

On June 6 and 7, 2018, Cree filed five petitions for *inter partes* review, including two directed at the '486 Patent, two directed at the '771 Patent, and one directed at the '087 Patent. *See* IPR2018-01205; IPR2018-01220; IPR2018-01221;



IPR2018-01222; IPR2018-01223. As discussed above, DSS has asserted the same three patents against every defendant in each of the actions captioned above.

On June 8 through June 15, 2018, Everlight filed four petitions for *inter partes* review. Each petition was directed at a different patent asserted in these actions, including the '486 Patent, the '087 Patent, the '771 Patent, and the '787 Patent. *See* IPR2018-01225; IPR2018-01226; IPR2018-01244; IPR2018-01260. These petitions cover every patent asserted in the actions captioned above.

There are currently sixteen (16) petitions for *inter partes* review pending against patents asserted by DSS in this litigation. Two of those petitions have been granted. None of the petitions have been denied.

Resolution of the issues presented in the aforementioned petitions for *inter* partes review, including those already granted, will involve construction and interpretation of claim terms at issue in the actions captioned above. The parties agree that a stay would preserve judicial resources by avoiding unnecessary discovery, claim construction, and motion practice.

II. STIPULATION

Accordingly, the parties agree and stipulate, subject to approval by the Court, to stay the above-captioned actions in light of the above petitions for *inter partes* review and related *inter partes* proceedings. The parties agree that they will file a Joint Status Report every 60 days regarding the status of the above petitions for *inter partes* review and related *inter partes* proceedings or within 10 days of (1) a determination by the PTAB whether to institute any additional petitions; or (2) the issuance of a Final Written Decision by the PTAB for any instituted requests for *inter partes* review, whichever is earlier.

Pursuant to Local Rule 5-4.3.4(a)(2)(i), all signatories listed, and on whose behalf the filing is submitted, concur in the filing's content and have authorized the filing.



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