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| 17 | NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA | |
| 18 | SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION | |
| 19 | FINJAN, INC., a Delaware Corporation, | Case No. 3:17-cv-05659-WHA |
| 20 | Plaintiff, | DEFENDANT JUNIPER NETWORKS, INC.'S OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF |
| 21 | vs. | FINJAN INC.'S MOTION IN LIMINE |
| 22 | JUNIPER NETWORKS, INC., a Delaware | NO. 3 TO EXCLUDE IRRELEVANT TESTIMONY FROM DR. AVIEL RUBIN |
| 23 | Corporation, | Date: December 4, 2018 |
| 24 | Defendant. | Time: 9:00 a.m. |
| 25 | | Courtroom: Courtroom 12, 19th Floor Before: Hon. William Alsup |
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Finjan's Motion *in Limine* No. 3 ("MIL3") is a poorly disguised effort to address the issues Finjan identified in its letter to the Court seeking two *Dauberts*. Dkt. 221 at 2. These issues are not appropriate for either a *Daubert* motion or a motion *in limine*, as they amount to critiques of Dr. Rubin's analysis that should be addressed through cross-examination. Indeed, Finjan never identifies any specific Federal Rule of Evidence and instead generally just includes (if anything) vague allegations of "prejudice" or "confusion" without any explanation for exactly what prejudice or confusion might accrue. Finjan's complaints are baseless and do not warrant exclusion of any of Dr. Rubin's opinions.

A. Expert Opinions On Whether Claim 10 Is Abstract Should Not Be Admitted, But The Jury Must Be Provided With Context On *Alice* Step 1.

Juniper does not intend to have Dr. Rubin provide an opinion that Claim 10 is abstract, as the Court has already determined this issue under Step 1 of the *Alice* test. Dkt. 189 at 18-19. Thus, Juniper agrees with Finjan that it would be inappropriate for either party's expert to opine on this issue. Because Step 2 of the *Alice* test expressly depends on the Court's finding of abstractness under Step 1, however, the jury will need to be informed that the Court found this claim abstract. The Supreme Court has explained that when a patent is directed to "patentineligible concepts" such as an abstract idea, then one must ask "what else is there in the claims before us?" Alice Corp. Pty. Ltd. v. CLS Bank Intern., 134 S.Ct. 2347, 2355 (2014). To answer this, one must "determine whether the additional elements 'transform the nature of the claim' into a patent-eligible application." *Id.* This involves a "search for an 'inventive concept'—i.e., an element or combination of elements that is 'sufficient to ensure that the patent practice amounts to significantly more than a patent upon the [ineligible concept] itself." Id. (citations omitted).² Therefore, in order to apply this test, the jury must be told what the "ineligible concept" is—i.e., the jury must be provided with the Court's finding that "the thrust of Claim 10 is on analyzing a file and extracting information" which is "merely an abstract idea" (Dkt. 189 at 19); otherwise, they will not have the background necessary to assess Step 2.

² All emphasis added, unless otherwise noted.



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¹ Finjan's expert Dr. Orso includes an entire section in his report titled "Claim 10 Is Directed to Patent-eligible Subject Matter at Step 1."

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В. Dr. Rubin's Testimony On The Prosecution History Is Relevant To Damages.

Juniper agrees with Finjan that inequitable conduct and prosecution laches are not at issue in the December trial and Juniper does not intend to introduce testimony solely directed to these issues. Finjan overreaches, however, when it suggests that certain testimony offered by Dr. Rubin is "only relevant to prosecution laches and inequitable conduct." MIL3 at 2.

For example, Mr. Kroll, a named inventor on the '494 Patent, testified that it "was Finjan's practice to promptly file patents on important technology." Ex. 15 (Kroll Depo. Tr.) at 99:7-10. Despite this, Finjan waited roughly 15 years to file the '494 Patent, which is relevant to the importance of the '494 Patent. If, therefore, Finjan argues that the '494 Patent is "important" (or more important than the other patents in its portfolio), evidence regarding the delay in filing is directly relevant to rebut these assertions.

As to Mr. Kroll's and Mr. Touboul's statements about who invented Claim 10, Juniper will not address this topic unless Finjan does. For example, if Mr. Kroll provides testimony that is inconsistent with his prior statements that he invented Claim 10 or that is inconsistent with Mr. Touboul's declaration to the USPTO, Juniper would need to impeach Mr. Kroll with that prior testimony and/or evidence. See U.S. v. Hale, 422 U.S. 171, 176 (1975) ("A basic rule of evidence provides that prior inconsistent statements may be used to impeach the credibility of a witness.").

C. Finjan Mischaracterizes Dr. Rubin's Opinions Related to Damages and § 101.

Finjan next argues that "Dr. Rubin includes many specious arguments that directly touch on anticipation and obviousness, but are couched as being relevant to damages and noninfringement." MIL3 at 3. Finjan's argument is disingenuous, given that the testimony it protests is a direct rebuttal to the opinions of Finjan's own experts on damages and § 101 issues.

In particular, Finjan takes issue with Dr. Rubin's opinions and demonstratives on the issues of whether Finjan invented behavior-based malware analysis, whether detecting unknown viruses existed and was well-known before the '494 Patent, and whether Claim 10 provides any meaningful benefits over the prior art. MIL3 at 3. But Finjan fails to acknowledge that these opinions directly respond to the claims of Finjan's experts. For example:

Mr. Arst supports his analysis regarding the value of the '494 Patent by opining that Finjan

was "the inventor' of proactive content behavior inspection." Ex. 16 (Arst Report) at p. 5.

- Dr. Orso testified that Finjan's "behavior-based analysis was novel. So this kind of analysis used to detect unknown malware, based on this behavioral analysis, was novel."
 Ex. 17 (Orso Depo. Tr.) at 85:10-13.
- Dr. Cole opines that Claim 10 "provides tangible benefits over then-existing malware detection technology" (Ex. 9 (Cole Report) at ¶ 25) and was innovative because it could "detect potentially suspicious malware based on the potential behavior of the malware" and because it protects "against viruses that had never been seen before" (*Id.* at ¶ 22-23).

To the extent that Finjan intends to present testimony from its experts on these issues, Juniper is certainly entitled to rebut it with evidence and opinions from Dr. Rubin that behavior-based analysis was well-known long before the alleged priority date of the '494 Patent and that there were also many systems that existed for detecting unknown viruses. *See Mueller v. Auker*, 700 F.3d 1180, 1191 (9th Cir. 2012) (affirming admissibility of expert's "opinion testimony [because it] was relevant ... as direct rebuttal to the [plaintiff's] expert"); *PSM Holding Corp. v. National Farm Financial Corp.*, 2013 WL 12080306, at *18 (C.D. Cal. Oct. 8, 2013).

Finjan's other argument that Dr. Rubin should not be allowed to "show that elements of the '494 Patent were already known in alleged prior art references" makes no sense. MIL3 at 3. The Court specifically identified the issue of whether Claim 10 includes an "inventive concept" as an issue to be decided at the December trial. Dkt. 189 at 20. Obviously, one way to show that something was well-known, routine, or conventional—and thus does not contain an "inventive concept"—is to show that it was disclosed in a mountain of prior art references. This is precisely what Dr. Rubin has done here, and it is perfectly appropriate. *See, e.g., Pacific Biosciences of Cal., Inc. v. Oxford Nanopore Techs., Inc.*, 2018 WL 1419082, at *7 (D. Del. Mar. 22, 2018) (considering "eight prior art references ... which together provide 'a timeline of the development" of the purported inventive concept).

In general, Finjan appears to have missed the forest for the trees with respect to Dr.

Rubin's § 101 analysis. Juniper agrees with Finjan that the "mere fact that something is disclosed in a piece of prior art, for example, does not mean it was well-understood, routine, and



conventional." Berkheimer v. HP Inc., 881 F.3d 1360, 1369 (Fed. Cir. 2018). But Berkheimerwhich addressed an order on summary judgment, not a motion in limine—was not commenting on the proper evidentiary sources for consideration by a jury; rather, Berkheimer merely held that a statement in a patent's specification that it comprised non-conventional activity was sufficient to create a genuine issue of fact regarding whether the claimed activity was indeed routine and conventional in the art. Id. The present situation is completely different, as Dr. Rubin relies on dozens of references to support his conclusion that various limitations were indeed well known by considering them collectively. For example, Dr. Rubin relies on a 1995 article by Morton Swimmer titled "Dynamic Detection And Classification Of Computer Viruses Using General Behaviour Patterns" ("Swimmer"). The PTAB determined that Swimmer rendered obvious Claim 1 of the '494 Patent, which is virtually identical to Claim 10. See Ex. 18 (Rubin Report) at ¶¶ 28-29. It is thus difficult to see how Finjan could dispute that this prior art document supports Dr. Rubin's opinion. But, most importantly, Dr. Rubin does not rely on Swimmer alone, rather he cites Swimmer as one of many references that in aggregate demonstrate that Claim 10 was well known, routine, and conventional. D. Finjan's Attempt To Prevent Dr. Rubin From Relying On Documentary

Evidence To Support His Opinions Is Meritless.

Finjan next moves to exclude Dr. Rubin from relying on various references to support his § 101 opinions. To advance this argument, Finjan baldly states that (1) Dr. Rubin cannot rely on research papers or patent applications to establish what was well known or conventional because they describe "new technologies" and (2) Dr. Rubin cannot rely on a patent publication as evidence for § 101 unless it was published before the priority date of the '494 Patent. MIL3 at 4-6. Finjan does not cite to any authority to support its positions. Finjan's quibbles are nothing more than factual critiques of Dr. Rubin's analysis, which is not a proper basis for exclusion.

Moreover, Finjan appears to be missing the point. Dr. Rubin does not opine that the computer security community *learned* from these references after they were published; rather, Dr. Rubin opines that, when the many references cited in his report are considered together, the references in aggregate show what was becoming routine in the community In other words, Dr.



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