IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

ARENDI S.A.R.L.,)
Plaintiff,))
V.) C.A. No. 13-919-JLH
GOOGLE LLC,))
Defendant.)
)

LETTER TO THE HONORABLE JENNIFER L. HALL FROM NEAL BELGAM REGARDING PRIOR ART ESTOPPEL

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Dear Judge Hall:

Last week, Arendi raised the issue that the CyberDesk prior art ground Google intends to assert at trial is subject to IPR estoppel under 35 U.S.C. §315(e)(2) and requested that the Court address the issue before trial. D.I. 456. Google responded to Arendi's letter stating that "[i]f the Court were to revisit the issue of estoppel, Google agrees with Arendi that the Court, not the jury should decide it." D.I. 457.

Google argues that Judge Stark resolved this estoppel issue in its favor, but that is incorrect. To the contrary, Judge Stark held there is a disputed question as to whether the CyberDesk evidence is "cumulative," and that this issue was not amenable to resolution on a motion for summary judgment. D.I. 391 at 14. Similarly, Judge Stark did not resolve whether any testimony about CyberDesk that allegedly goes beyond the written record is uncorroborated. Because Judge Stark did not resolve this estoppel issue at the dispositive motion stage—presumably in part because it involved Google identifying which art it would present at trial—it is an issue for the Court to resolve as a threshold matter before the presentation of prior art to the jury.

Given that both parties now agree that the Court, not the jury, must resolve any remaining factual issues pertaining to estoppel, Arendi proposes the Court hold a conference on Wednesday or Thursday this week to resolve the disputes before jury selection and openings. While Arendi does not believe an evidentiary hearing is required, the evidentiary record submitted on summary judgment, including the CyberDesk exhibits and related testimony, may be relevant to the discussion. D.I. 282 at 9-13.

Google's view is that no conference or hearing is warranted or appropriate and it thus opposed Arendi's request.

Respectfully,

/s/ Neal C. Belgam

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cc: Clerk of Court (via CM/ECF)

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