UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

PHILIPS NORTH AMERICA LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

FITBIT, INC.,

Civil Action No. 1:19-cv-11586-IT

Defendant.

FITBIT'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO SUBMIT SUPPLEMENTAL AUTHORITY RELATING TO CLAIM CONSTRUCTION

Defendant Fitbit, Inc. ("Fitbit") respectfully submits this motion for leave to Submit Supplemental Authority relating to Claim Construction. On September 1, 2020, Fitbit moved for leave to submit as supplemental authority Judge Birotte's Claim Construction Order in *Philips North America LLC v. Garmin Int'l, Inc.*, No. 2:19-cv-6301 (C.D. Cal.) ("the C.D. Cal. action"). (Dkt. 98.) Philips North America LLC ("Philips") responded to Fitbit's motion. (Dkt. 102.) The Court granted Fitbit's motion for leave on September 3, 2020. (Dkt. 103.)

On November 4, 2020, Philips moved in the C.D. Cal. action for entry of final judgment under Rule 54(b) with respect to Philips' allegations of infringement of U.S. Patent No. 6,013,007 ("the '007 patent"). As grounds for the motion, Philips asserted that "the Court's August 28, 2020 Claim Construction Order (Dkt. 102) found that the asserted claims of the '007 Patent are invalid for indefiniteness, resulting in the complete resolution of Philips's cause of action for infringement of the '007 Patent." Philips sought entry of final judgment to appeal the ruling and sever that cause of action from the remainder of the case.

On December 17, 2020, Judge Birotte issued an order denying Philips' motion under Rule 54(b) ("Rule 54(b) order") in the C.D. Cal. action. This Rule 54(b) order is attached as Exhibit A.



Although ultimately denying the motion, Judge Birotte observed: "The Court and parties agree that this Court's Claim Construction Order is a final judgment that can be certified for a Rule 54(b) appeal." (Rule 54(b) order, 2:27–28.) Although the parties and the Court agreed the claim construction order finding the '007 patent invalid as indefinite was final, the Court found that "practical considerations point toward requiring a final and complete resolution of this entire case before appeal," and "there is no practical reason to sever the expired '007 Patent for purposes of appeal while simultaneously proceeding with litigation relating to overlapping products and subject matter." (Rule 54(b) order, 4:2–4, 4:9–11.)

Dated: December 29, 2020

FITBIT, INC.

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LOCAL RULE 7.1 CERTIFICATION

I, Chad Peterman, counsel for Defendant Fitbit, Inc., hereby certify that Fitbit has conferred with counsel for Philips North America, LLC to resolve the issues presented in this motion, but after a good faith attempt to reach agreement, the parties did not do so.

Dated: December 29, 2020 By: <u>/s/ Chad Peterman</u>
Chad Peterman



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I certify that a true copy of the above document was served on the attorney of record for

each party via the Court's CM/ECF system, which will send notification of this filing (NEF) to

all registered participants, and paper copies will be sent to those indicated as nonregistered

participants.

Dated: December 29, 2020

By: <u>/s/ Chad Peterman</u>
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