

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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APPLE INC.,  
Petitioner,

v.

SMARTFLASH LLC,  
Patent Owner.

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Case CBM2015-00033  
Patent 8,336,772

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Before the Honorable JENNIFER S. BISK, RAMA G. ELLRU, JEREMY M. PLENZLER and MATTHEW R. CLEMENTS, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

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**PETITIONER'S MOTION TO WITHDRAW COUNSEL**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e) and the Board's email authorizing this motion, Petitioner hereby moves to withdraw Mr. J. Steven Baughman and Ms. Megan F. Raymond as backup counsel in the above-captioned proceeding.

The Power of Attorney in this case covers only practitioners of Ropes & Gray. Mr. Baughman is no longer affiliated with Ropes & Gray, and Ms. Raymond will no longer be affiliated with Ropes & Gray as of February 20,

2017. Mr. Baughman's current firm has not been retained in this matter. Consistent with the Power of Attorney previously filed, Petitioner is concurrently filing an updated mandatory notice reflecting the role of Ms. Gabrielle Higgins (now as lead counsel), and the continued role of Mr. James Batchelder (backup counsel). These individuals are affiliated with Ropes & Gray, and the previously-filed Power of Attorney is not revoked. Petitioner represents that it does not contemplate any change to any schedule in this matter based on this motion. Petitioner represents that it has consulted with Patent Owner, and understands that Patent Owner does not oppose this motion.

Dated: February 17, 2017

By: /



James R. Batchelder  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that a copy of the foregoing PETITIONERS' MOTION TO WITHDRAW COUNSEL was served on February 17, 2017 in its entirety by causing the aforementioned document to be electronically mailed, pursuant to the parties' agreement, to the following attorneys of record for the Patent Owner listed below:

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