Paper 29

Entered: June 19, 2014

## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SEQUENOM, INC. Petitioner

v.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY
Patent Owner

Case IPR2013-00390 Patent 8,195,415 B2

Before LORA M. GREEN, FRANCISCO C. PRATS, and SCOTT E. KAMHOLZ, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

GREEN, Administrative Patent Judge.

DECISION Motion to Withdraw 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e)



On June 6, 2014, Petitioner filed a Motion to authorize withdraw its current lead and back-up counsel, Steven P. O'Connor and Michele C. Bosch, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e). Petitioner filed contemporaneously a new power of attorney (Paper 27), designating Michael J. Wise (Reg. No. 39,389) as new lead counsel, and Patrick D. Morris (Reg. No. 53,351) as new backup counsel (Paper 26).

Counsel may withdraw from an *inter partes* review proceeding with authorization from the Board. 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e). Counsel for Petitioner obtained permission to file the motion to withdraw in a conference call on June 5, 2014. As the motion designates new lead counsel, who is a registered practitioner, and does not seek any time extensions, we see no reason to deny the motion.

The new power of attorney includes no revocation of prior powers of attorney. *See* Paper 2. Consequently, the power of attorney granted to all practitioners associated with Customer Number 22,852 (Finnegan, Henderson, Frabow, Garrett & Dunner, L.L.P.), including Steven P. O'Connor and Michele C. Bosch, has not been revoked. All practitioners associated with Customer Number 22,852 remain of record in this proceeding.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that Petitioner's Motion to Withdraw is granted;

FURTHER ORDERED that Steven P. O'Connor and Michele C. Bosch are permitted to withdraw as counsel in this proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Michael J. Wise is recognized as Petitioner's lead counsel in this proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patrick D. Morris is recognized as Petitioner's backup counsel in this proceeding;



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FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner shall update the Board's electronic filing system to reflect the change in lead counsel.

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