

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SONY MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS (USA) INC.
Petitioner

v.

B.E. TECHNOLOGY, LLC
Patent Owner

Case IPR2014-00029
Patent 6,771,290

Before SALLY C. MEDLEY, KALYAN K. DESHPANDE, and
LYNNE E. PETTIGREW, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

PETTIGREW, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

**B.E. Technology's Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Robert E. Freitas
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10**

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Patent Owner respectfully requests the Board to recognize Robert E. Freitas as counsel *pro hac vice* during this proceeding.¹ Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10 and in response to the authorization provided by the United States Patent and Trademark Office’s Patent Trial and Appeal Board (“Board”) in the Notice of Filing Date Accorded to Petition (Paper Number 4, entered October 8, 2013) (“Notice”), Patent Owner B.E. Technology, L.L.C. (“Patent Owner”) submits this motion for Mr. Freitas to appear *pro hac vice*.

I. *Time for Filing*

Pursuant to the “Order – Authorizing Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission” in Case IPR2013-00639² (“Order”), this motion for *pro hac vice* admission is being filed no sooner than twenty-one (21) days after service of the petition.

II. *Statement of Facts*

Pursuant to the Order, the following statement of facts, supported by the attached Declaration of Mr. Freitas, shows that there is good cause for the Board to recognize Mr. Freitas *pro hac vice*.

¹ Corresponding motions for *Pro Hac Vice* admission are being concurrently filed in co-pending cases IPR2014-00031, IPR2014-00033, IPR2014-00038, IPR2014-00039, IPR2014-00040, IPR2014-00044, IPR2014-00052, and IPR2014-00053.

² Patent Owner notes that while the Notice references the “Order – Authorizing Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission” in Case IPR2013-00010 (MPT), the Order in Case IPR2013-00639 states that the Final Rule regarding Changes to Representation of Others Before the United States Patent and Trademark Office removes part 10 of title 37, C.F.R. referred to in the Order in Case IPR2013-00010 (MPT). Accordingly, for purpose of this proceeding, Patent Owner will refer to the Order in Case IPR2013-00639.

Lead counsel for this proceeding, Jason S. Angell, is a registered practitioner (Reg. No. 51408).

Mr. Freitas is an experienced litigation attorney, and has served as counsel in numerous patent infringement cases in various district courts and the International Trade Commission. Mr. Freitas has not been suspended or disbarred from practice, and he has not had any application for admission to practice denied, or had any sanctions or contempt citations imposed against him. Mr. Freitas is an active member in good standing of the California Bar and is admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States, the United States Courts of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, Fifth Circuit, Ninth Circuit, and Tenth Circuit, various United States district courts and the United States Court of Federal Claims. His mailing address is Freitas Angell & Weinberg LLP, 350 Marine Parkway, Suite 200, Redwood Shores, California 94065, his email address is rfreitas@fawlaw.com, and his direct dial telephone number is (650) 730-5527.

Mr. Freitas is lead counsel for Patent Owner in *B.E. Technology, L.L.C. v. Sony Mobile Communications (USA) Inc.*, No. 2:12-cv-02827, co-pending litigation in the United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee. That litigation involves U.S. Patent No. 6,771,290 (“’290 Patent”), the patent at issue in this proceeding. In his role as counsel in the co-pending litigation, Mr. Freitas has reviewed and is familiar with the ’290 Patent, the asserted prior art

references, and the invalidity claim charts. Further, Mr. Freitas is familiar with the factual and legal matters at issue in that case, including the claim construction issues likely to be presented in the co-pending litigation. Mr. Freitas has thus established familiarity with the subject matter at issue in this proceeding.

Mr. Freitas has read and will comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide and the Board's Rules for Practice for Trials set forth in part 42 of the C.F.R., and he agrees to be subject to the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 11.101 *et seq.* and disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a). Mr. Freitas has not applied *pro hac vice* in any other proceeding before the United States Patent and Trademark Office in the last three years.

Patent Owner has expended significant resources in the co-pending litigation with Mr. Freitas as lead counsel, and Patent Owner wishes Mr. Freitas to represent it in this proceeding.

III. *Affidavit or Declaration of Individual Seeking to Appear*

This motion for *pro hac vice* admission is accompanied by a Declaration of Mr. Freitas as required by the Order.

IV. *Conclusion*

The facts contained in the Statement of Facts above, and contained in the Declaration of Mr. Freitas, establish that there is good cause to admit Mr. Freitas *pro hac vice* in this proceeding under 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c).

Date: May 12, 2014

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ Jason S. Angell
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