

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO., LTD.
Petitioner

v.

ARENDI S.A.R.L.
Patent Owner

Case IPR2014-00214
Patent 8,306,993 B2

Before SALLY C. MEDLEY, TREVOR M. JEFFERSON, and
PETER P. CHEN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

CHEN, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION
Denying Institution of *Inter Partes* Review
37 C.F.R. § 42.108

I. INTRODUCTION

Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. (“Petitioner”) filed a Corrected Petition requesting an *inter partes* review of claims 1, 2, 4-10, 12-18, and 20-24 of U.S. Patent No. 8,306,993 (Ex. 1001, “the ’993 patent”). Paper 4 (“Pet.”). Arendi S.A.R.L. (“Patent Owner”) filed a Preliminary Response. Paper 10 (“Prelim. Resp.”). We have jurisdiction under 35 U.S.C. § 314.

The standard for instituting an *inter partes* review is set forth in 35 U.S.C. § 314(a), which provides as follows:

THRESHOLD.—The Director may not authorize an *inter partes* review to be instituted unless the Director determines that the information presented in the petition filed under section 311 and any response filed under section 313 shows that there is a reasonable likelihood that the petitioner would prevail with respect to at least 1 of the claims challenged in the petition.

Upon consideration of the Petition and Preliminary Response, we are not persuaded the information presented by Petitioner has established a reasonable likelihood that Petitioner would prevail in showing the unpatentability of any of the challenged claims of the ’993 patent. Accordingly, we deny institution as to all claims of the ’993 patent.

A. Related Proceedings

According to the Patent Owner, the ’993 patent and related patents are currently at issue in the following cases pending in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware: *Arendi S.A.R.L. v. Yahoo! Inc.* (1:2013cv00920); *Arendi S.A.R.L. v. Google Inc.* (1:2013cv00919); *Arendi S.A.R.L. v. HTC Corp.* (1:2012cv01600); *Arendi S.A.R.L. v. Sony Mobile Communications (USA) Inc.* (1:2012cv01602); *Arendi S.A.R.L. v. Nokia Corporation* (1:2012cv01599); *Arendi S.A.R.L. v. Blackberry Limited*,

(1:2012cv01597); *Arendi S.A.R.L. v. LG Electronics Inc.* (1:2012cv01595); *Arendi S.A.R.L. v. Motorola Mobility LLC* (1:2012cv1601); *Arendi S.A.R.L. v. Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd.*, (1:2012cv01598); and *Arendi S.A.R.L. v. Apple Inc.* (1:2012cv01596). Paper 7, 2-3.

The '993 patent is also the subject of another petition for *inter partes* review, *Motorola Mobility LLC, Google Inc., and Apple Inc. v. Arendi S.A.R.L.*, IPR2014-00203.

B. The '993 Patent

The '993 patent is titled “Method, System and Computer Readable Medium for Addressing Handling From an Operating System.” The subject matter of the '993 patent relates to computer implemented processes for automating a user’s interaction between a first application, such as a word processor or spreadsheet, and a second application, such as a contact manager with a database. Ex. 1001, col. 1, l. 60–col. 2, l. 31.

Figure 4 of the '993 patent is reproduced below.

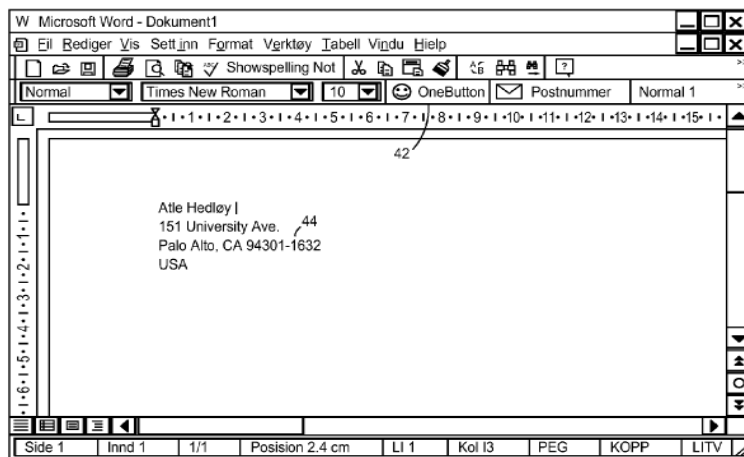


FIG. 4

Figure 4 illustrates a starting point in a document, such as a word processing document. The user types into the document the name and

address of existing contact 44. When the user clicks on OneButton 42, the claimed process is launched, analyzing the document to identify contact information and searching a contact database. Ex. 1001, col. 7, ll. 27-34.

Figure 1 of the '993 patent is reproduced below.

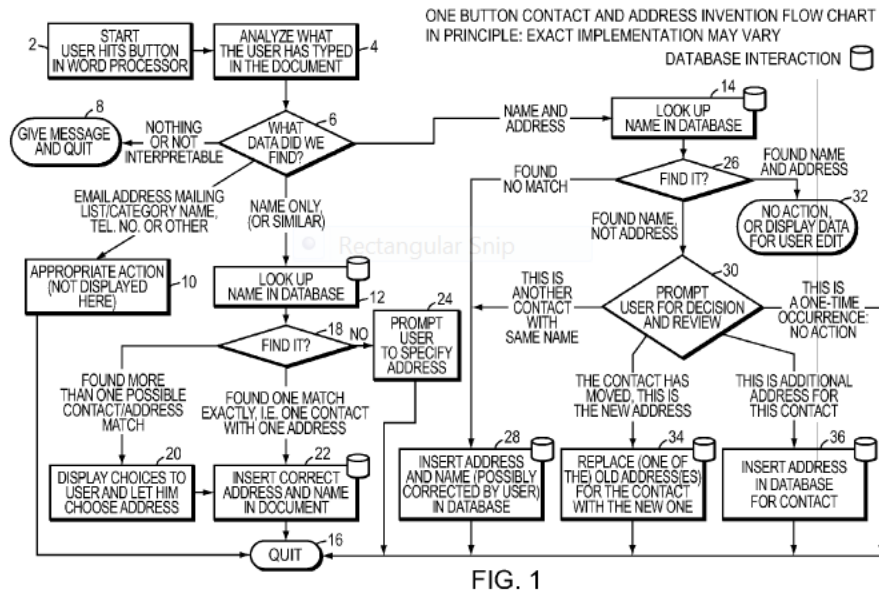


Figure 1 depicts a flow chart of the address handling process initiated by the user clicking on OneButton 42 of Figure 4. At step 4, text typed by the user in a document is analyzed for contact information. At step 6, if the identified contact information includes a name and address, a search occurs in the database at step 14. When the database finds a name but not an address, at step 30, the user is prompted “for decision,” which leads to inserting address information into the database at step 36, or updating address information in the database at step 34. Ex. 1001, col. 4, l. 55–col. 5, l. 37.

Figure 9 of the '993 patent is reproduced below.

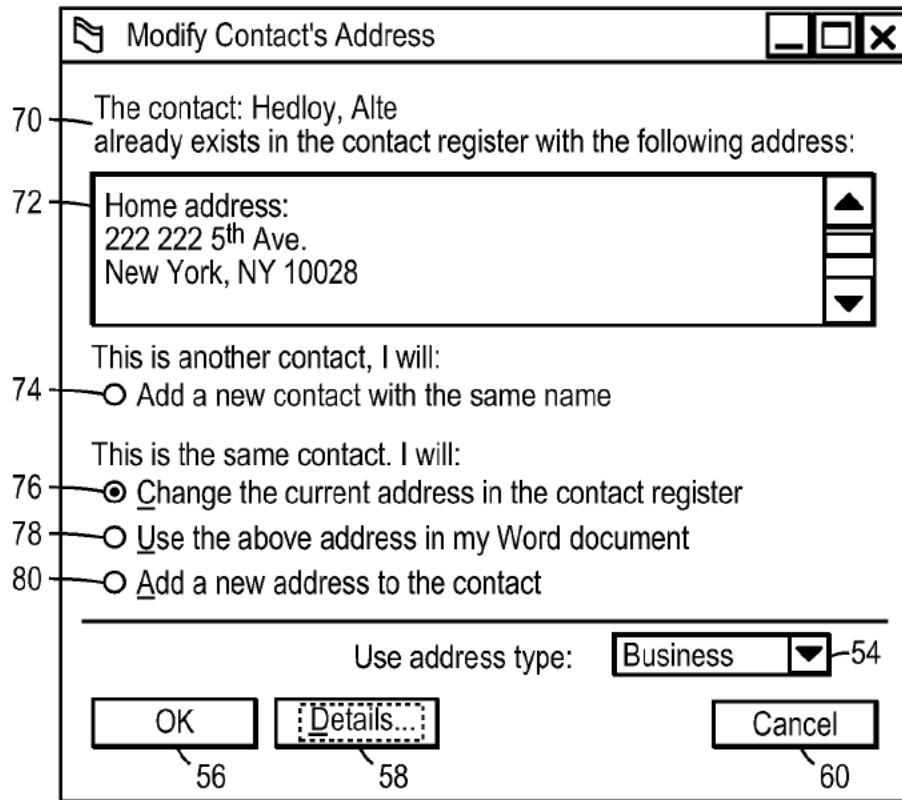


FIG. 9

Figure 9 illustrates a screen displayed to the user who clicks on the OneButton 42 of Figure 4 after typing a name and address into a document, where the name is in the contact database but the address differs from the address typed by the user. The screen in Figure 9 gives the user a choice of adding a new contact or updating an existing contact. Ex. 1001, col. 7, ll. 27-42.

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