

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

IRON DOME LLC

Petitioner

v.

E-Watch, INC.

Patent Owner

Case: IPR2014-00439

Patent No. 7,365,871

**Title: Apparatus For Capturing, Converting And Transmitting A Visual Image
Signal Via A Digital Transmission System**

**DECLARATION OF ROBERT C. CURFISS
PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. §1746 AND 37 C.F.R. §1.131**

E-Watch, Inc.
Exhibit 2036
Petitioner - Iron Dome LLC
Patent Owner - E-Watch, Inc.

I, Robert C. Curfiss, pursuant to the provisions of 28 U.S.C. §1746 and 37 C.F.R. §1.131, declare:

1. My name is Robert C. Curfiss.
2. I am over 21 years of age and am competent to make this declaration.
3. From Mid-1997 to April, 2002, I worked at Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P., the law firm engaged to represent David Monroe, the named inventor on United States Patent Application No. 09/006,073 (“’073 patent application”), in the drafting and prosecution of the ’073 patent application.
4. The ’073 patent application was filed on January 12, 1998 and is the patent application to which United States Patent No. 7,365,871 (“’871 patent”), the patent that is the subject of the above-captioned *inter partes* review proceeding, claims priority.
5. On or around October of 1997, David Monroe engaged Bracewell and Patterson, L.L.P. to prepare a patent application entitled “Apparatus for Capturing, Converting and Transmitting a Visual Image Signal Via a Digital Transmission System” that was ultimately filed at the United States Patent & Trademark Office (“USPTO”) and received serial number 09/006,073.
6. I regularly communicated with David Monroe and exchanged draft applications with David Monroe related to the ’073 patent application from October of 1997 until the filing of the ’073 patent application on January 12, 1998.
7. Between October of 1997 and January 12, 1998, David Monroe sent numerous documents to me that I utilized in preparing draft versions of the patent application that ultimately became the ’073 patent application.

8. Between October of 1997 and January 12, 1998, I exchanged multiple drafts of this patent application with David Monroe and continued to revise and update these drafts based on comments from and discussions with David Monroe.

9. Between October of 1997 and January 12, 1998, I worked diligently on drafting the patent application that was filed at the USPTO and received the '073 patent application designation.

10. In my experience, the three to four month period of time that elapsed between David Monroe's engagement of my law firm to draft the patent application that became the '073 patent application and the actual filing of the application that received the '073 patent application designation was standard for the level of sophistication and detail of the application.

11. To the best of my recollection, I had a standard work load at the time of the '073 patent application, and nothing caused any unusual or unexpected delays during the drafting and filing of the '073 patent application.

Date: Nov. 19, 2014

Signature:  _____

Name: Robert C. Curfiss