# UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

# **BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD**

TARGET CORPORATION Petitioner

v.

DESTINATION MATERNITY CORPORATION Patent Owner

> Case No. IPR2014-00509 (U.S. Patent No. RE43,531)

> > Dated: June 24, 2014

Before JENNIFER S. BISK, MICHAEL J. FITZPATRICK, and MITCHELL G. WEATHERLY *Administrative Patent Judges*.

# PATENT OWNER'S OPPOSITION TO PETITIONER'S MOTION FOR JOINDER TO RELATED INSTITUTED *INTER PARTES* REVIEW

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Exhibit 2107	PTAB Scheduling Order for IPR2013-00530 dated February 14, 2014
Exhibit 2108	PTAB Scheduling Order for IPR2013-00531 dated February 14, 2014
Exhibit 2109	PTAB Scheduling Order for IPR2013-00532 dated February 19, 2014
Exhibit 2110	PTAB Scheduling Order for IPR2013-00533 dated February 19, 2014
Exhibit 2113	Motion for Joinder for IPR2014-00508 dated March 14, 2014
Exhibit 2114	Patent Owner's Preliminary Response for IPR2013-00533 dated December 4, 2013

# Petitioner's Filed Exhibits Cited in Patent Owner's Opposition to Petitioner's Motion for Joinder

- Exhibit 1002: J.C. Penney ontrend Maternity Catalog, dated Fall/Winter 2005, cover and pages 15 and 19 ("JCP")
- Exhibit 1018 Hendrickson et al. US Patent No. RE43,531 ("the '531 Patent")
- Exhibit 1027: PTAB Decision for IPR2013-00530 dated February 14, 2014
- Exhibit 1029: PTAB Decision for IPR2013-00531 dated February 14, 2014
- Exhibit 1031: PTAB Decision for IPR2013-00532 dated February 19, 2014
- Exhibit 1033: PTAB Decision for IPR2013-00533 dated February 19, 2014
- Exhibit 1034: Japanese Utility Model Patent No. 3,086,624 to Asada
- Exhibit 1035 Certified Translation of Asada
- Exhibit 1037: US Patent No. 8,185,970 to Summers

### I. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.23, Patent Owner Destination Maternity Corporation ("Patent Owner") opposes the Petitioner Target Corporation ("Petitioner") Motion for Joinder to Related Instituted *Inter Partes* Review ("Motion"). *See* Joinder Mot., Paper No. 3. Petitioner moves to join its Petition for *Inter Partes* Review ("Petition") with IPR2013-00533.<sup>1</sup> *Id.*; Petition and Corrected Petition, Paper Nos. 1 and 9 at 1. The Motion should be denied because (a) the Petition presents substantial new patentability analysis and substantive arguments that go well beyond those in IPR2013-00533; (b) Petitioner did not explain adequately the impact of the new substantive issues on the Patent Owner and the trial schedule; and (c) Petitioner did not establish that joinder would promote efficient resolution of the unpatentability issues.

### **II. MATERIAL FACTS IN DISPUTE**

For the purpose of responding to this Motion, Patent Owner only disputes the following:

3. Patent Owner disputes "but on new grounds—i.e., in view of Japanese Registered Utility Model No. 3086624 ("JP U3086624" or "Asada") (Ex. 1034 and

<sup>1</sup> Petitioner filed a Motion to Limit the Petition on March 25, 2014. *See* Motion to Limit the Petition, Paper No. 7. Because the Motion was not granted, Patent Owner is responding to the full Corrected Petition.

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