

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LTD.,
TSMC NORTH AMERICA CORPORATION,
FUJITSU SEMICONDUCTOR LIMITED,
FUJITSU SEMICONDUCTOR AMERICA, INC.,
ADVANCED MICRO DEVICES, INC., RENESAS ELECTRONICS
CORPORATION, RENESAS ELECTRONICS AMERICA, INC.,
GLOBAL FOUNDRIES U.S., INC., GLOBALFOUNDRIES DRESDEN
MODULE ONE LLC & CO. KG, GLOBALFOUNDRIES DRESDEN
MODULE TWO LLC & CO. KG, TOSHIBA AMERICA ELECTRONIC
COMPONENTS, INC., TOSHIBA AMERICA INC., TOSHIBA
AMERICA INFORMATION SYSTEMS, INC., TOSHIBA
CORPORATION, and THE GILLETTE COMPANY
Petitioners,

v.

ZOND, LLC,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2014-00828
Patent 6,805,779 B2¹

Before JONI Y. CHANG, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION

¹ This Decision addresses the same issues in the *inter partes* reviews listed in the Appendix. Therefore, we issue one Decision to be filed in all of the cases. The parties, however, are not authorized to use this style of filing in subsequent papers.

Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Tigran Vardanian
37 C.F.R. § 42.10

Patent Owner Zond, LLC (“Zond”) filed a Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Mr. Tigran Vardanian in each of the proceedings identified in the Appendix. Paper 23 (“Mot.”).² Zond has represented that Petitioners do not oppose the motions. Mot. 2. For the reasons provided below, Zond’s Motions are *granted*.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c), we may recognize counsel *pro hac vice* during a proceeding upon a showing of good cause, subject to the condition that lead counsel be a registered practitioner. The Order authorizing motions for *pro hac vice* admission requires a statement of facts showing there is good cause for us to recognize counsel *pro hac vice*, and an affidavit or declaration of the individual seeking to appear in the proceedings identified in the Appendix. Paper 3, 2.

In the proceedings at issue, lead counsel for Zond, Dr. Gregory J. Gonsalves, is a registered practitioner. Mot. 2. Zond’s Motions indicate that there is good cause for us to recognize Mr. Vardanian *pro hac vice* during these proceedings, and is supported by the Declaration of Mr. Vardanian (Ex. 2002). Mot. 2–4.

In particular, Mr. Vardanian declares that he is an experienced litigation attorney, with experience in many litigations involving patent

² For the purpose of clarity and expediency, we treat IPR2014-00828 as representative, and all citations are to IPR2014-00828 unless otherwise noted.

infringement in district court. Ex. 2002 ¶ viii. Mr. Vardanian also declares that he has established familiarity with the subject matter at issue in the proceedings identified in the Appendix, as he has been representing Zond, in the related district court litigation that involves the same patents being challenged in the proceedings before us. *Id.* ¶ ix. Additionally, Mr. Vardanian's Declaration complies with the requirements set forth in the Board's Order authorizing motions for *pro hac vice* admission. *Id.* ¶¶ i–ix.

On this record, we determine that Mr. Vardanian has sufficient legal and technical qualifications to represent Zond in the proceedings identified in the Appendix. We further recognize that there is a need for Zond to have its counsel in the co-pending litigation involved in the proceedings before us. Accordingly, Zond has established that there is good cause for Mr. Vardanian's admission.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that Zond's Motions for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Mr. Tigran Vardanian are *granted*; Mr. Vardanian is authorized to represent Zond as back-up counsel in the proceedings identified in the Appendix;

FURTHER ORDERED that Zond is to continue to have a registered practitioner represent it as lead counsel for those proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Vardanian is to comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials, as set forth in Part 42 of Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Vardanian is to be subject to the Office's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a), and the

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USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101–
11.901.

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APPENDIX

U.S. Patent Numbers	<i>Inter Partes</i> Reviews
6,805,779 B2	IPR2014-00828 IPR2014-00829 IPR2014-00917 IPR2014-01073 IPR2014-01076

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