

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

McCLINTON ENERGY GROUP, LLC, JAYCAR ENERGY GROUP LLC,
SURF FRAC WELLHEAD EQUIPMENT CO., MOTOR MILLS SNUBBING
LLC, STAN KEELING, and TONY D. McCLINTON,
Petitioner,

v.

MAGNUM OIL TOOLS INTERNATIONAL, LTD.,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2014-00993
Patent 8,459,346 B2

Before SALLY C. MEDLEY, MICHAEL R. ZECHER, and
GEORGIANNA W. BRADEN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

MEDLEY, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

JUDGMENT
Termination of the Proceeding
37 C.F.R. § 42.73

On December 9, 2014, the parties filed a joint motion to terminate the proceeding, along with a true copy of their written settlement agreement, made in

connection with the termination of the instant proceeding, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(b). Paper 17; Ex. 1029. The parties also request to have their agreement treated as confidential business information under 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c). Paper 17. The joint motion requests termination of the proceeding and further explains that the parties have reached an agreement to dismiss the related district court case. *Id.* at 2.

On December 1, 2014, we instituted trial for this proceeding. At this early juncture of the proceeding, the Board does not have before it full briefing on the trial issues and the Board has not entered a final decision.

Based on the facts of this case, it is appropriate to enter judgment¹ without rendering a final written decision. *See* 35 U.S.C. § 317(a); 37 C.F.R. § 42.72.

It is

ORDERED that the parties' joint request that the agreement be treated as business confidential information, to be kept separate from the patent file is *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that the joint motions to terminate the proceeding is *granted*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the proceeding is *terminated*.

¹ A judgment means a final written decision by the Board, or a termination of a proceeding. 37 C.F.R. § 42.2.

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