UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SONY CORPORATION, SONY ELECTRONICS INC., SONY MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS AB, and SONY MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS (USA) INC., Petitioner,

v.

MEMORY INTEGRITY, LLC, Patent Owner.

> Case IPR2015-00158 Patent 7,296,121 B2

Before JENNIFER S. BISK, NEIL T. POWELL, and KERRY BEGLEY, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

POWELL, Administrative Patent Judge.

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DECISION Motion to Withdraw *37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e)*

On October 7, 2015, Petitioner filed a motion to withdraw counsel. Paper 20 ("Mot."). The Motion seeks withdrawal of Lewis V. Popovski and Michael Sander as counsel for Petitioner in this proceeding. *Id.* at 1. Along with the motion,

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Petitioner filed updated mandatory notices identifying Walter E. Hanley, Jr. as new lead counsel and Zaed M. Billah as new backup counsel for Petitioner in this proceeding. Paper 21 ("Updated Mandatory Notices"). No opposition has been filed, and Petitioner indicates that Patent Owner does not oppose the Motion. Mot. 1.

Petitioner seeks to "withdraw Mr. Popovski and Mr. Sander because these individuals are no longer associated with Kenyon & Kenyon LLP, the firm which represents Petitioner[]." *Id.* Petitioner asserts that "Kenyon & Kenyon LLP has retained all relevant papers and property necessary to continue representation of Petitioner[]." *Id.* Petitioner's Updated Mandatory Notices indicate that the new lead and backup counsel—Mr. Hanley and Mr. Billah—are associated with Kenyon & Kenyon LLP and are registered to practice before the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office. Updated Mandatory Notices 1. We are persuaded that withdrawal of Mr. Popovski and Mr. Sander is warranted.

It is therefore

ORDERED that Petitioner's Motion is granted;

FURTHER ORDERED that Lewis V. Popovski and Michael Sander are permitted to withdraw as counsel in this proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Walter E. Hanley, Jr. is recognized as Petitioner's lead counsel in these proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Zaed M. Billah is recognized as Petitioner's backup counsel in these proceedings; and

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