Paper No. 18

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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

LG ELECTRONICS, INC., Petitioner,

v.

E-WATCH, INC., Patent Owner.

Case IPR2015-00404 (Patent 7,365,871B2) Case IPR2015-00408 (Patent 7,643,168 B2)¹

Before JAMESON LEE, GREGG I. ANDERSON, and MATTHEW R. CLEMENTS, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

ANDERSON, Administrative Patent Judge.

DECISION
Joint Motion to Terminate
37 C.F.R. § 42.5(a), 42.71(a)

¹ This order addresses issues that are the same in all cases. We exercise our discretion to issue one order to be filed in each case. The parties, however, are not authorized to use this style heading in subsequent papers.



IPR2015-00404 (Patent 7,365,871 B2) IPR2015-00408 (Patent 7,643,168 B2)

On September 11, 2015, the parties filed a "Joint Motion to Terminate" based on a settlement agreement that resolves the parties' disputes related to the challenged patent. Paper 18.² The parties concurrently filed a copy of the settlement agreement (Ex. 1027). The Joint Motion to Terminate also requested that Exhibit 1027 be "treated as confidential business information and kept separate from the files of the involved patent." Paper 18, 3; *see also* 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c) ("A party to a settlement may request that the settlement be treated as business confidential information and be kept separate from the files of an involved patent or application.").

We have not yet entered a decision on institution in either proceeding. Under these circumstances, we determine that it is appropriate to dismiss the Petitions. *See* 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.5(a), 42.71(a). This paper does not constitute a final written decision pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 318(a).

ORDER

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the Joint Motion to Terminate is *granted*; and FURTHER ORDERED that the settlement agreement (Exhibit 1027 in IPR2015-00404 and Exhibit 1029 in IPR2015-00408) be treated as business confidential information and be kept separate from the files of the involved U.S. Patent Nos. 7,635,871 B2 and 7,643,168 B2.

² All citations are to the filings in IPR2015-00404, unless otherwise noted.



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