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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GOOGLE INC., Petitioner,

v.

AT HOME BONDHOLDERS' LIQUIDATING TRUST, Patent Owner.

Case IPR2015-00657 (Patent 6,286,045 B1) Case IPR2015-00662 (Patent 6,014,698)¹

Before KARL D. EASTHOM, JUSTIN T. ARBES, and MIRIAM L. QUINN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

ARBES, Administrative Patent Judge.

DECISION

Petitioner's Motions for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Matthias A. Kamber 37 C.F.R. § 42.10

¹ Case IPR2015-00660 has been consolidated with Case IPR2015-00657, and Case IPR2015-00666 has been consolidated with Case IPR2015-00662. This Decision addresses an issue pertaining to both cases. Therefore, we exercise our discretion to issue a single Decision to be filed in each case. The parties are not authorized to use this style heading for any subsequent papers.



Petitioner filed a Motion requesting *pro hac vice* admission of Matthias A. Kamber in each of the instant proceedings, and provided an Affidavit from Mr. Kamber in support of each request. *See* IPR2015-00657, Paper 23, Ex. 1029; IPR2015-00662, Paper 21, Ex. 1029. Petitioner's lead counsel, Michelle K. Holoubek, is a registered practitioner. Patent Owner did not file an opposition to either Motion. Based on the facts set forth in the Motions and Affidavits, we conclude that Petitioner has established good cause for Mr. Kamber's *pro hac vice* admission. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c); *Unified Patents, Inc. v. Parallel Iron, LLC*, Case IPR2013-00639, slip op. at 3–4 (PTAB Oct. 15, 2013) (Paper 7) (setting forth the requirements for *pro hac vice* admission). We note, however, that although the documents are each titled "Affidavit," they are in the form of a declaration and lack the affirmation required by 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.68 and 42.2.

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby:

ORDERED that Petitioner's Motions for *pro hac vice* admission of Matthias A. Kamber are *conditionally granted*, and Mr. Kamber will be authorized to represent Petitioner as back-up counsel in the instant proceedings once Petitioner files, within one week of this Decision, a corrected Affidavit in each proceeding containing the same content as the original document and the required statements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.68, with no other changes;

FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner is to continue to have a registered practitioner as lead counsel in the instant proceedings;

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



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FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Kamber is subject to the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101–11.901 and the Office's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a).



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