

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SONY CORPORATION,
Petitioner,

v.

RAYTHEON COMPANY,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2015-01201
Case IPR2016-00209¹
Patent 5,591,678

Before JO-ANNE M. KOKOSKI, JENNIFER MEYER CHAGNON, and
JEFFREY W. ABRAHAM *Administrative Patent Judges*.

CHAGNON, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER
Conduct of the Proceeding
37 C.F.R. § 42.5

¹ This Order addresses issues that are identical in related cases. Therefore, 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 any subsequent papers.

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Trial has been instituted as to claims 1–18 of U.S. Patent No. 5,591,678 (Ex. 1001) in both IPR2015-01201 and IPR2016-00209. *See* IPR2015-01201, Paper 6; IPR2016-00209, Paper 12. Currently, the Oral Hearing for IPR2015-01201, if requested, is scheduled for August 11, 2016, and the Oral Hearing for IPR2016-00209, if requested, is scheduled for October 13, 2016. *See* IPR2015-01201, Paper 7; IPR2016-00209, Paper 13.

The parties previously have indicated an interest in consolidating the schedules of these two proceedings, to the extent possible. *See* IPR2015-01201, Paper 12; IPR2016-00209, Paper 8. Although we denied Petitioner’s Motion requesting IPR2016-00209 be joined with IPR2015-01201 (*see* IPR2016-00209, Paper 14), we recognize there may be some efficiencies for the Board and the parties if the Oral Hearings are held on the same day. Accordingly, if agreement is reached by the parties, the parties may jointly file a request that both Oral Hearings take place on the same date.

Any such request must be filed no later than April 30, 2016. In the request, the parties should provide the Board with at least three options for a proposed date of the combined Oral Hearings. The proposed dates shall be on or before October 13, 2016, i.e., the Oral Hearing date already set in IPR2016-00209. If the parties are unable to come to an agreement, or a joint request is not filed, the dates scheduled for the Oral Hearings shall remain as set in the respective Scheduling Orders (IPR2015-01201, Paper 7; IPR2016-00209, Paper 13).

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It is:

ORDERED that the parties are authorized to file a joint request that the Oral Hearings in IPR2015-01201 and IPR2016-00209 take place on the same date;

FURTHER ORDERED that any such request shall be filed no later than April 30, 2016, and shall include at least three proposed dates for the combined Oral Hearings. The proposed dates shall be on or before October 13, 2016; and

FURTHER ORDERED that if a joint request is not filed, the dates scheduled for the Oral Hearings shall remain as set in the respective Scheduling Orders (IPR2015-01201, Paper 7; IPR2016-00209, Paper 13).

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