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# **BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD**

PRONG, INC., Petitioner

v.

YEOSHUA SORIAS, Patent Owner

Case IPR2015-01317 Patent 8,712,486 B2

# **DECLARATION OF MR. JOSEPH C. MCALEXANDER III** UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.68 IN SUPPORT OF **PATENT OWNER SORIAS' RESPONSE**

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Respectfully submitted,

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I, Joseph C. M<sup>c</sup>Alexander <sup>III</sup>, do hereby declare as follows:

# I. Introduction

1. I have been retained by Gottlieb, Rackman & Reisman, P.C., counsel for Patent Owner Yeoshua Sorias ("Sorias") in the above captioned *Inter Partes* Review ("IPR") to provide my opinion regarding the validity of claims 1-12, 15, and 16 ("the Challenged Claims") of U.S. Patent No. 8,712,486 B2 (the "'486 Patent"). Specifically, I have been asked to analyze whether the Challenged Claims are rendered obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103, based on the art cited by the Patent Trial and Appeal Board ("Board") in its Decision to Institute the IPR, entered December 9, 2015.<sup>1</sup> The Board determined "there is a reasonable likelihood that Petitioner would prevail in challenging claims 1-12, 15, and 16"<sup>2</sup> and instituted the IPR "for the following grounds of unpatentability:"<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Decision, Institution of *Inter Partes* Review, *37 C.F.R.* § *42.108*, December 9, 2015 ("Institution Decision").

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  *Id.* at 37.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Id.* at 38.

References	Basis	Challenged Claim(s)
Lanni, Chung, Steiert, and Tsang	§ 103	1-9, 11, 12, 15
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2. The '486 Patent, titled "Detachably Integrated Battery Charger for Mobile Cell Phones and Like Devices," was filed on January 11, 2012 and issued on April 29, 2014.<sup>5</sup> The '486 Patent names Yeoshua Sorias and Max Moskowitz as the inventors and lists Yeoshua Sorias as the assignee.<sup>6</sup> The '486 Patent claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 61/432,050 (the "'050 Application"), filed on January 12, 2011.<sup>7</sup> That Provisional application is incorporated by reference in its entirety into the '486 Patent.<sup>8</sup>

3. I understand that, on April 29, 2014, Petitioner Prong, Inc., filed a Petition for *Inter Partes* Review ("Petition") of claims 1-16 of the '486 Patent,

<sup>4</sup> References: Lanni (U.S. Patent Number 5,838,554); Chung (U.S. Design Patent D543,541 S); Steiert (U.S. Patent Number 6,585,530); Tsang (U.S. Patent Number 5,780,993); and Garcia (U.S. Patent Application Publication 2008/0157712 A1). <sup>5</sup> '486 Patent.

<sup>8</sup> *Id.* at 1:8-13.

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