

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

LG ELECTRONICS, INC., and
LG ELECTRONICS U.S.A., INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

TOSHIBA SAMSUNG STORAGE TECHNOLOGY KOREA
CORPORATION,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2015-01653 (Patent RE43,106 E)
Case IPR2015-01659 (Patent 7,367,037 B2)¹

Before KALYAN K. DESHPANDE, MICHAEL R. ZECHER, and
TREVOR M. JEFFERSON, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

DESHPANDE, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION
Petitioner's Motion to Withdraw Counsel
37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e)

¹ This Decision addresses an issue that is identical in both cases. We, therefore, exercise our discretion to issue one Decision 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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I. DISCUSSION

LG Electronics, Inc. and LG Electronics U.S.A., Inc. (collectively, “Petitioner”) filed a Motion to Withdraw Counsel pursuant 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e) (“Mot.”) in each of the proceedings identified above. IPR2015-01653, Paper 9; IPR2015-01659, Paper 10. In its Motion, Petitioner requests that we allow its current lead counsel, Mr. Jason M. Shapiro, to withdraw from these proceedings because Mr. Shapiro is no longer associated with Rothwell, Figg Ernst & Manbeck, which is the firm that represents Petitioner. Mot. 2.² Petitioner has filed Updated Mandatory Notices and identifies Mr. Brian A. Tollefson as lead counsel. *Id.* at 2; Paper 10, 2. Mr. Tollefson is lead counsel for Petitioner in related proceedings IPR2015-01642 and IPR2015-01644. *Id.* Petitioner represents that Toshiba Samsung Storage Technology Korea Corporation (“Patent Owner”) does not oppose this Motion. *Id.*

Under the particular circumstances presented in these cases, we conclude that good cause exists to allow Petitioner’s current lead counsel, Mr. Shapiro, to withdraw from these proceedings so that Mr. Tollefson may assume the role of new lead counsel.

II. ORDER

In consideration of the foregoing, it is:

ORDERED that Mr. Jason M. Shapiro shall be considered withdrawn from these proceedings.

² For purposes of expediency, we refer to the Motion filed in Case IPR2015-01653.

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