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# UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., and Samsung Electronics America, Inc. Petitioner

v.

Parthenon Unified Memory Architecture LLC
Patent Owner

Case IPR2015-01944 Patent No. 5,812,789

JOINT MOTION TO TERMINATE PROCEEDING



# I. PRECISE RELIEF REQUESTED

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(a) and the Board's authorization of the filing of this joint motion in its email to the parties on May 20, 2016, Petitioners Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., and Samsung Electronics America, Inc. (collectively, "Samsung") and Patent Owner Parthenon Unified Memory Architecture LLC ("PUMA") jointly request that this *inter partes* review proceeding involving U.S. Patent No. 5,812,789 ("the '789 Patent") be terminated based on a settlement between Petitioner and Patent Owner ("the Parties").

# II. REASONS FOR GRANTING THE MOTION

Generally, the Board expects that a proceeding will terminate after the filing of a settlement agreement. *See*, *e.g.*, Office Patent Trial Practice Guide, 77 Fed. Reg. 48,756, 48,768 (Aug. 14, 2012). The Board authorized the filing of the instant motion on May 20, 2016. IPR2013-00428, Paper No. 56 provides guidance as to the content of a motion to terminate. There, the Board indicates that a joint motion, such as this one, should (a) include a brief explanation as to why termination is appropriate; (b) identify all parties in any related litigation involving the patent at issue; (c) identify any related proceedings currently before the Office, and (d) discuss specifically the current status of each such related litigation or proceeding with respect to each party to the litigation or proceeding. *Id.* at 2. This motion satisfies each of the above requirements and is accompanied by a copy of



the Parties' settlement agreement, as required by 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(b).

# a. Brief Explanation of Why Termination is Appropriate

Termination is appropriate because a final written decision has not been reached in this proceeding and the Parties will no longer be participating in this proceeding. The Parties have settled their disputes and executed a settlement agreement to terminate this proceeding, as well as the Parties' related district court litigation regarding the '789 Patent: *Parthenon Unified Memory Architecture LLC v. Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. et al.*, Case Number 2:14-cv-00902 (E.D. Tex.). The district court litigation was dismissed with prejudice on May 20, 2016.

# b. All Parties in Any Pending Related Litigation Involving the Patents at Issue

Samsung and PUMA are the only Parties to the related district court litigation, Case Number 2:14-cv-00902. The '789 patent is also at issue in other pending litigation. In *Parthenon Unified Memory Architecture LLC v. HTC Corp. et al.*, Case Number 2:14-cv-00690 (E.D. Tex.), the parties include PUMA, HTC America, Inc., HTC Corp., LG Elecs. USA, Inc., and LG Elecs., Inc. In *Parthenon Unified Memory Architecture LLC v. LG Elecs. MobileComm, USA*, Case Number 2:15-cv-01950 (E.D. Tex.), the parties include PUMA and LG Elecs. MobileComm USA, Inc. In *Parthenon Unified Memory Architecture LLC v. ZTE Corp. et al.*, Case Number 2:15-cv-00225 (E.D. Tex.), the parties include PUMA,



ZTE (TX) Inc., ZTE Corp., and ZTE USA, Inc. In *Parthenon Unified Memory Architecture LLC v. Apple Inc.*, Case Number 2:15-cv-00621 (E.D. Tex.), the parties include PUMA and Apple Inc. No other litigation or proceeding involving the '789 patent is contemplated in the foreseeable future.

# c. Related Proceedings Currently Before the Office

In addition to the instant proceeding, Samsung and PUMA are Parties to IPR2015-01500, IPR2015-01501, IPR2015-01502, and IPR2015-01946. The Parties are currently filing motions to terminate these related proceedings. Moreover, the '789 patent is at issue in IPR2016-00664, IPR2016-00847, and IPR2016-00923, where motions for joinder to the instant proceeding are pending.

# d. Current Status of Each Such Related Litigation or Proceeding With Respect to Each Party to the Litigation or Proceeding

Sections II.b and c above indicate the status of each related litigation or proceeding with respect to each party to the litigation or proceeding.

# III. <u>SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT</u>

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(b), the Parties' settlement agreement is in writing, and a true and correct copy is being filed concurrently herewith as Exhibit 1041.<sup>1</sup> The Parties are also filing concurrently herewith a joint request under 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c) to treat

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The settlement agreement is being filed via the Patent Review Processing System (PRPS) with access to the "Parties and Board only."



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the settlement agreement as business confidential information and keep it separate

from the files of the '789 Patent. There are no collateral agreements or

understandings made in connection with, or in contemplation of, the termination of

the inter partes review.

IV. <u>CONCLUSION</u>

For all of these reasons, the Parties respectfully request termination of this

proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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