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**DECLARATION OF COSMIN MAIER IN SUPPORT OF  
UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR ADMISSION *PRO HAC VICE***

I, Cosmin Maier, declare as follows:

1. I have been practicing law for over eight years, and have been practicing in the field of intellectual property, and particularly, patent litigation, for the entire eight years.
2. I am a member in good standing of the State of New York, and am admitted to practice before the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York and the Eastern District of New York, and all New York State courts. I have been admitted *pro hac vice* in many district courts including the Eastern District of Texas, the Northern and Central Districts of California, and the Western District of Washington.
3. My New York Bar membership number is 4632204.

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4. I have been in private practice primarily litigating patent cases for the full eight years I have been practicing. Several of these patent litigations concerned Patent Office rules and regulations. For example, in an investigation by the United States International Trade Commission where I represented Apple Inc., the investigation concerned inequitable conduct and the duty of disclosure. *Certain Electronic Devices, Including Mobile Phones, Portable Music Players, and Computers*, 337-TA-701.

5. I have never been suspended, disbarred, sanctioned or cited for contempt by any court or administrative body.

6. I have never had a court or administrative body deny my application for admission to practice.

7. I have read and will comply with Office Patent Trial Practice Guide and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. Part 42.

8. I agree to be subject to the United States Patent and Trademark Office Code of Professional Responsibility set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et. seq.* and disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. §11.19(a).

9. In the past three years, I appeared *pro hac vice* in six *inter partes* review proceedings before the United States Patent and Trademark Office: 2014-00477; 2014-00479; 2014-00578; 2014-00580; 2014-00604; and 2014-00726.

10. I am familiar with the subject matter at issue in this proceeding. I am counsel in *DSS Tech. Mgm't, Inc. v. Intel Corp. et al.*, Case No. 6:15-cv-00130 (E.D. Tex.) (filed Feb. 16, 2015), which is related to and involves the same patent at issue in this proceeding.

11. I received B.S.E. and M.S.E. degrees in Electrical Engineering from the University of Michigan in 2003 and 2004, respectively. I have represented clients in fields

related to electrical engineering in multiple patent-related matters since 2007, including confidential patent-related analysis, and the following exemplary United States District Court cases: *Apple, Inc. v. Samsung Elec. Co. Ltd. et al.*, 12-CV-00630-LHK in the Northern District of California (representing Apple); *Eagle Harbor Holdings, LLC et al. v. Ford Motor Company*, 11-CV-05503-BHS in the Western District of Washington (representing Ford); *Amplify Education Inc. v. Greenwood Publishing Group, Inc. d/b/a Heinemann*, 13-cv-02687-LTS in the Southern District of New York (representing Heinemann); *Broadcom Corp. v. Emulex Corp.*, 09-CV-01058-JVS in the Central District of California (representing Broadcom); and *Beneficial Innovations, Inc. v. AOL, LLC et al.*, 07-CV-00555-TJW in the Eastern District of Texas (representing Google). I have also represented clients before the United States International Trade Commission, including in *Certain Microprocessors, Components Thereof, and Products Containing Same*, 337-TA-781 (representing Respondents Intel, Apple, and Hewlett-Packard) and *Certain Electronic Devices, Including Mobile Phones, Portable Music Players, and Computers*, 337-TA-701 (representing Respondent Apple).

12. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

Respectfully Submitted,

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