

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

TOYOTA MOTOR CORP.,
Petitioner,

v.

SIGNAL IP, INC.,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2016-00291

Patent 5,732,375

Case IPR2016-00292

Patent 6,012,007

Case IPR2016-00293

Patent 5,714,927¹

Before JEREMY M. PLENZLER, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION

Granting Petitioner's Motion to Withdraw Counsel and
Designate New Lead Counsel 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e)

¹ This order addresses issues common to all cases; therefore, we issue a single order to be entered in each case. The parties, however, are not authorized to use this caption for any subsequent papers.

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As authorized by an email from the Board on March 1, 2016, Petitioner filed motions to withdraw Mr. A. Antony Pfeffer as lead counsel. Paper 5 (“Mot.”), 1.² Petitioner represents that Patent Owner does not oppose the Motion. Mot. 2. Petitioner designated Mr. John Flock, a registered practitioner previously designated as back-up counsel, as new lead counsel. *Id.* at 1. The motion indicates that Mr. George E. Badenoch remains as back-up counsel. *Id.* Petitioner’s Motion is granted.

Petitioner is directed to file an updated Mandatory Notice, listing Mr. Flock as lead counsel, and Mr. Badenoch as back-up counsel, for consistency with its motion. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.8.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that Petitioner’s Motion to Withdraw Counsel is granted;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. A. Antony Pfeffer is permitted to withdraw as counsel in this proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. John Flock is recognized as lead counsel for Petitioner in this proceeding; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner will file an updated Mandatory Notice, designating Mr. John Flock and Mr. George E. Badenoch as lead and back-up counsel, respectively.

² The Motion referenced in this Order is that filed in IPR2016-00291. Similar Orders were filed in IPR2016-00292 and IPR2016-00293. *See* IPR2016-00292, Paper 8; IPR2016-00293, Paper 5.

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