

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

ASUSTEK COMPUTER, INC. and
ASUS COMPUTER INTERNATIONAL,
Petitioner,

v.

AVAGO TECHNOLOGIES GENERAL IP (SINGAPORE) PTE. LTD.,
Patent Owner.

Cases¹
IPR2016-00646 (Patent 5,870,087)
IPR2016-00647 (Patent 6,430,148 B1)

Before GLENN J. PERRY, PATRICK R. SCANLON, and J. JOHN LEE,
Administrative Patent Judges.

SCANLON, *Administrative Patent Judge.*

ORDER
Conduct of the Proceeding
37 C.F.R. § 42.5

¹ This Order addresses issues pertaining to both cases. Thus, we exercise our discretion to issue a single order to be filed in each case. The parties, however, are not authorized to use this style heading in subsequent papers.

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A conference call in the above proceedings was held on April 4, 2017, between respective counsel for Petitioner and Patent Owner, and Judges Scanlon and Lee. Petitioner initiated the conference call to discuss a potential scheduling conflict regarding the date for oral argument.

In each of these proceedings, we issued a Scheduling Order setting an oral argument date of May 9, 2017. Paper 12 (IPR2016-00646); Paper 8 (IPR2016-00647). During the conference call, Petitioner indicated that lead counsel of record in these proceedings has a scheduling conflict regarding the oral argument. Specifically, lead counsel was expected to attend an important “all hands internal business meeting” for another client occurring on May 9, 2017. Petitioner explained that efforts to reschedule this meeting were not successful. Accordingly, Petitioner requested that the oral argument for these proceedings be rescheduled. Patent Owner did not oppose this request. Both parties indicated they would be available May 15–18 should the panel decide to reschedule.

The Board does not take requests to reschedule hearings lightly, given the complexities involved in scheduling hearings in our forum, particularly in the later stages of a proceeding. In this instance, however, the Board’s hearing room schedule, as well as the schedules of the judges empaneled for these proceedings, are amenable to rescheduling. Furthermore, the requested change would not jeopardize the Board’s ability to meet the strict statutory timeline on which *inter partes* review proceedings are conducted.

For these reasons, Petitioner’s request to reschedule oral argument for these proceedings is *granted*. The Board hereby reschedules oral argument in these proceedings to be held on May 17, 2017, at 9:00 a.m.

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Therefore, it is

ORDERED that oral argument in IPR2016-00646 and IPR2016-00647 is rescheduled for May 17, 2017, at 9:00 a.m.

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