

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY,
Petitioner,

v.

UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2016-00952
Patent 9,121,412 B2

Before HYUN J. JUNG, SCOTT A. DANIELS, and
GEORGE R. HOSKINS, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

JUNG, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION
Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission
37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c)

Patent Owner filed a Motion for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* of Michael J. Valaik Under 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c) with an accompanying Declaration. Paper 23; Ex. 2027. Patent Owner states that “Petitioner does not oppose this request.” Paper 23, 1.

After considering Patent Owner's Motion and accompanying Declaration, it is

ORDERED that Patent Owner's Motion for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* of Michael J. Valaik is *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner is to continue to have a registered practitioner as lead counsel in the instant proceeding, but Mr. Valaik is authorized to be designated as backup counsel;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Valaik is to comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials, as set forth in Title 37, Part 42 of the C.F.R., and is subject to the USPTO's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a) and the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et seq.*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner shall file updated mandatory notices, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3), providing updated information regarding back-up counsel.

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