

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

CISCO SYSTEMS, INC., DISH NETWORK, LLC,
COMCAST CABLE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC,
COX COMMUNICATIONS, INC.,
TIME WARNER CABLE ENTERPRISES LLC,
VERIZON SERVICES CORP., and ARRIS GROUP, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

TQ DELTA, LLC,
Patent Owner.

Cases IPR2016-01006 (Patent 7,835,430 B2)
IPR2016-01008 (Patent 8,238,412 B2)¹

Before KALYAN K. DESHPANDE and
TREVOR M. JEFFERSON, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

DESHPANDE, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

¹ DISH Network, LLC, Comcast Cable Communications, LLC, Cox Communications, Inc., Time Warner Cable Enterprises LLC, Verizon Services Corp., and ARRIS Group, Inc. have been joined in these proceedings. *See* IPR2017-00251, IPR2017-00253, IPR2017-00419, and IPR2017-00420. This Order addresses issues that are the same in all identified cases. We exercise our discretion to issue one 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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ORDER

Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission
37 C.F.R. § 42.10

As authorized by the Notice of Filing Date Accorded to Petition (Paper 3²), TQ Delta, LLC (“Patent Owner”) filed a “Patent Owner’s Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission Under 37 C.F.R. ¶ 41.10(c)” (Paper 18, “Mot.”) of Rajendra A. Chiplunkar. Patent Owner is expected to continue to have a registered practitioner as lead counsel. Patent Owner states that Cisco Systems, Inc., Dish Network, LLC, Comcast Cable Communications, LLC, Cox Communications, Inc., Time Warner Cable Enterprises LLC, Verizon Services Corp., and ARRIS Group, Inc. (“Petitioner”) do not oppose Patent Owner’s Motion. Mot. 3.

Patent Owner asserts that there is good cause for us to recognize Mr. Chiplunkar *pro hac vice* in these proceedings. Mot. 2–3. Patent Owner’s assertions in this regard are supported by a Declaration of Mr. Chiplunkar. Ex. 2008.³ We determine that Patent Owner has established that there is good cause for the *pro hac vice* admission of Mr. Chiplunkar in these proceedings. Patent Owner’s Motion is *granted*. See 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c); see also *Unified Patents, Inc. v. Parallel Iron, LLC*, IPR2013-00639, Order Authorizing Motion for Pro Hac Vice Admission, Paper 7 (October 15,

² All citations are to IPR2016-01006 unless otherwise noted. IPR2016-01008 includes the same cited papers and exhibits.

³ Patent Owner also filed a Biography of Mr. Chiplunkar (Ex. 2007) in support of the Motion.

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2003) (setting forth requirements for *pro hac vice* admission).⁴

It is

ORDERED that Patent Owner's Motion for *pro hac vice* admission is *granted*, and Mr. Chiplunkar is authorized to represent Patent Owner as back-up counsel in IPR2016-01006 and IPR2016-01008;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner is to continue to have a registered practitioner as lead counsel in these *inter partes* review proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Chiplunkar 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 Code of Federal Regulations, and that Mr. Chiplunkar is subject to the Office's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a), and the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et seq.*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner must file an updated mandatory notice identifying lead and back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.8, 42.10 within three (3) business days.

⁴ Available at <http://www.uspto.gov/patents-application-process/appealing-patent-decisions/decisions-and-opinions/representative-orders>.

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