# UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

MYLAN PHARMACEUTICALS INC., TEVA PHARMACEUTICALS USA,
INC., and AKORN INC.<sup>1</sup>
Petitioners,

V.

ALLERGAN, INC., Patent Owner.

Case IPR2016-01127 (8,685,930 B2)

Case IPR2016-01128 (8,629,111 B2)

Case IPR2016-01129 (8,642,556 B2)

Case IPR2016-01130 (8,633,162 B2)

Case IPR2016-01131 (8,648,048 B2)

Case IPR2016-01132 (9,248,191 B2)

# PATENT OWNER'S SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF ON LITIGATION WAIVER



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cases IPR2017-00576 and IPR2017-00594, IPR2017-00578 and IPR2017-00596, IPR2017-00579 and IPR2017-00598, IPR2017-00583 and IPR2017-00599, IPR2017-00585 and IPR2017-00600, and IPR2017-00601., have respectively been joined with the captioned proceedings. The word-for-word identical page is filed in each proceeding identified in the caption pursuant to the Board's Scheduling Order (Paper 10).

The Board's rulings in *Ericsson Inc. v. Regents of the University of Minnesota*, IPR2017-01186 (Paper 14) ("*Ericsson*") and *LSI Corp. v. Regents of the University of Minnesota*, IPR2017-01068 (Paper 19) are wrongly decided. "Immunity encompasses not merely whether [a sovereign] may be sued, but where it may be sued," even when multiple forums are available. *Pennhurst State Sch. & Hosp. v. Halderman*, 465 U.S. 89, 99 (1984).

Mylan contends the IPR is the same as a "mirror-image" counterclaim, which in some circumstances, can be asserted against a tribe. When filing suit, a tribe does not waive immunity, even to compulsory counterclaims. *Okla. Tax Comm'n v. Citizen Band Potawatomi Indian Tribe of Okla.*, 498 U.S. 505, 509 (1991); *United States v. U. S. Fid. & Guar. Co.*, 309 U.S. 506, 513 (1940) ("Possessing ... immunity from direct suit, we are of the opinion [the Indian nations] possess a similar immunity from cross-suit.").

A mirror-image claim means exactly that—matters that must be resolved and are presumed to be at issue in a case based on the claims of the tribe. "Having placed a question before the court, a sovereign acknowledges the court's authority to resolve that question, whether in favor of the sovereign or in favor of a counterclaimant seeking the opposite resolution." *Tohono O'odham Nation v*. *Ducey*, 174 F.Supp.3d 1194, 1204 (D. Az. 2016). "A tribe's waiver of sovereign immunity may be limited to the issues necessary to decide the action brought by



the tribe; the waiver is not necessarily broad enough to encompass related matters, even if those matters arise from the same set of underlying facts." *McClendon v. United States*, 885 F.2d 627, 630 (9th Cir. 1989).

This IPR does not fall within the mirror-image counterclaim exception. IPRs are not counterclaims. *Ericsson* at 8 n.4. Resolution of the district court case does not rely upon resolution of the IPR claims. EX. 1165. An IPR is a separate proceeding that can be filed whether or not a district court action is filed, and it presents legal questions that are different than a counterclaim in the district court. *Ericsson* at 11. Thus, waiver cannot extend from one proceeding to another. Biomedical Patent Management Corp. v. California Dept. of Health Services, 505 F.3d 1328, 1339-40 (Fed. Cir 2007) (proceeding not continuous so as to apply waiver in each forum). And even if the two proceedings are related, there is a bright-line rule for tribes: "[P]articipation in an administrative proceeding does not waive tribal immunity in an action filed by another party seeking review of the agency's decision." Kescoli v. Babbit, 101 F.3d 1304, 1310 (9th Cir. 1996); Quileute Indian Tribe v. Babbitt, 18 F.3d 1456, 1459–60 (9th Cir.1994). See also Contour Spa at the Hard Rock v. Seminole Tribe of Florida, 692 F.3d 1200, 1208-1209 (11th Cir. 2012) (adhering to *Potowatomi*, rejecting application of *Lapides* to tribes); Bodi v. Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, 832 F.3d 1011, 1017 (9th Cir. 2016) (same). Thus, the Board's *Ericsson* "logic" cannot apply here.



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