

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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APPLE INC.,  
Petitioner

v.

VOIP-PAL.COM, INC.,  
Patent Owner.

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IPR2016-01198  
U.S. Patent No. 9,179,005

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

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Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 141 and 142 and 37 C.F.R. § 90.2(a), Petitioner Apple Inc. hereby provides notice that it appeals to the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit from the Final Written Decision of Inter Partes Review No. IPR2016-01198 entered November 20, 2017 (Paper 53) and from all underlying findings, orders, decisions, rulings, and opinions.

Petitioner notes that the Board's ruling in Paper 54 stayed the deadline for filing a request for rehearing of the final written decision pending a decision on Petitioner's Motion for Sanctions. Out of an abundance of caution and in order to ensure that Petitioner's right to appeal the Final Written Decision is preserved, Petitioner hereby files this Notice of Appeal.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 90.2(a)(3)(ii), Petitioner states that the issues for appeal include, but are not limited to: the Board's determination that certain claims of U.S. Patent No. 9,179,005 (the '005 Patent) are not unpatentable as obvious; the Board's procedural irregularities following Patent Owner's frequent *ex parte* communication with the Board, including, but not limited to, a change in the composition of the Board panel; and the Board's factual findings, conclusions of law, or other determinations supporting or relating to the above issues.

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 142 and 37 C.F.R. § 90.2(a), this Notice is being filed with the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Simultaneous with this submission, a copy of this Notice is being filed with the

Patent Trial and Appeal Board. In addition, a copy of this Notice, along with the required docketing fees, is being filed with the Clerk's Office for the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

Respectfully submitted,

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The undersigned certifies service pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.6(e) of a copy of this Notice of Appeal by electronic mail on January 22, 2018, on the counsel of record for Patent Owner:

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