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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

APPLE INC.

Petitioner,

v.

VOIP-PAL.COM INC.,

Patent Owner

Case: IPR2016-01198

U.S. Patent 9,179,005

**DECLARATION OF RYAN THOMAS IN
SUPPORT OF PRO HAC VICE MOTION**

I, Ryan Thomas, do hereby declare:

1. I am an attorney in private practice. Lead counsel in this *inter partes* review proceeding is Kerry Taylor. Mr. Taylor is registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office and holds Registration No. 43,947. With respect to this proceeding, I will work closely with Mr. Taylor.
2. I have over 30 years of experience as a litigator and legal educator and I have represented clients in several cases in courts in California Idaho and Utah.
3. I am comfortable and experienced with technically and legally complex matters, such as will be present in this proceeding. In particular, I am experienced with technically and legally complex matters in the field of telephony. In addition to my general experience with technically and legally complex patent matters, I served as Chief Information Officer at Utah Valley University and chaired the technical services committee for the Utah Education Network.
4. I am familiar with U.S. Patent 9,179,005 and with the legal subject matter, technical subject matter, and prior art discussed in Petitioner's request for *inter partes* review of U.S. Patent 9,179,005, which forms the basis for this proceeding. I also am familiar with the U.S. Patents,

legal subject matter, technical subject matter, and prior art at issue in related matters. In view of my legal experience, technical background, and familiarity with the issues in the present matter and the related matters, Patent Owner VoIP-Pal, Inc., has requested my services in the present matter and related matter IPR2016-01201. Denial of my appearance in this case would create an undue burden on Patent Owner.

5. I am admitted to the Bar of the States of California and Utah. My license is currently active in Utah where I am a member in good standing.
6. I have never been suspended or disbarred from practice before any court or administrative body.
7. I have never had a court or administrative body deny my application for admission to practice.
8. I have never been sanctioned or cited for contempt by any court or administrative body.
9. I have read and will comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials set forth in Part 42 of Title 37 of the C.F.R.

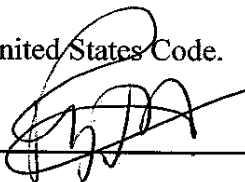
10. I agree to be subject to the United States Patent and Trademark Office Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et seq.*, and disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.19(a).

11. In the past three (3) years, I have not appeared *pro hac vice* in any proceedings before the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

12. I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

Dated: January 20, 2017

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "J. H. A.", is written over a horizontal line.