

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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Cases IPR2016-01198 and IPR2016-01201  
Patents 9,179,005 B2 and 8,542,815 B2

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Before BARBARA A. BENOIT, LYNNE E. PETTIGREW, and  
STACY B. MARGOLIES, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

MARGOLIES, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER

Patent Owner's Unopposed Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of  
William R. Zimmerman  
*37 C.F.R. § 42.10*

IPR2016-01198, IPR2016-01201  
Patent 9,179,005 B2, Patent 8,542,815 B2

Voip-Pal.com, Inc. (“Patent Owner”) filed an Unopposed Motion for William R. Zimmerman to Appear *Pro Hac Vice* on Behalf of Patent Owner. Paper 29 (“Motion”).<sup>1</sup> Patent Owner also filed a declaration from Mr. Zimmerman in support of the Motion. Ex. 2051 (“Declaration”). Apple Inc. (“Petitioner”) does not oppose the Motion.

Having reviewed the Motion and the Declaration, we conclude that Mr. Zimmerman has sufficient qualifications to represent Patent Owner in these proceedings and that Patent Owner has shown good cause for Mr. Zimmerman’s *pro hac vice* admission. See *Unified Patents, Inc. v. Parallel Iron, LLC*, Case IPR2013-00639 (PTAB Oct. 15, 2013) (Paper 7) (setting forth the requirements for *pro hac vice* admission). Mr. Zimmerman will be permitted to appear *pro hac vice* in these proceedings as back-up counsel only. See 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c).

Patent Owner is reminded of its obligation under 37 C.F.R. § 42.8 to update its mandatory notices with back-up counsel information within 21 days of a change of information. We take this opportunity to note that, despite the granting of Patent Owner’s motion for *Pro Hac Vice* admission of Mr. Ryan Thomas on January 27, 2017 (Paper 16), Patent Owner has not updated its mandatory notices to reflect Mr. Thomas’s status.

#### ORDER

ORDERED that the Unopposed Motion for William R. Zimmerman to Appear *Pro Hac Vice* on Behalf of Patent Owner is *granted*, and Mr.

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<sup>1</sup> Patent Owner filed similar motions in IPR2016-01198 and IPR2016-01201. For convenience, we cite papers and exhibits filed in IPR2016-01198.

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Zimmerman is authorized to represent Patent Owner only as back-up counsel in these proceedings;

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

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Zimmerman 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

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Zimmerman is subject to the USPTO's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a), and the USPTO's Rules of Professional Conduct set forth at 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101–11.901.

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