

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GLOBAL TEL*LINK CORPORATION,
Petitioner,

v.

SECURUS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2016-01220
Patent 9,007,420 B1

Before GEORGIANNA W. BRADEN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

BRADEN, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER

Patent Owner's Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of
Jeffrey R. Bragalone

Patent Owner Securus Technologies, Inc. filed a motion pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c) for Jeffrey R. Bragalone to appear *pro hac vice* on its behalf before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board in this proceeding. *See* Paper 10. Patent Owner did not indicate whether its motion was opposed, but after thirty (30) days, Petitioner did not file an opposition.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c), we may recognize counsel *pro hac vice* during a proceeding upon a showing of good cause, subject to the condition that lead counsel be a registered practitioner. A motion for *pro hac vice* admission must contain a statement of facts showing there is good cause for us to recognize counsel *pro hac vice* during the proceeding and be accompanied by an affidavit or declaration of the individual seeking to appear. *See Unified Patents, Inc. v. Parallel Iron, LLC*, IPR2013-00639, slip op. at 3–4 (PTAB Oct. 15, 2013) (Paper 7) (setting forth the requirements for *pro hac vice* admission).

In his declaration, Mr. Bragalone states he has familiarity with the subject matter at issue in this proceeding, as he and his firm have been representing Patent Owner in several patent infringement lawsuit and PTAB proceedings against Petitioner. Ex. 2002 ¶¶ 8, 9. In addition, Mr. Bragalone’s declaration complies with the other requirements for *pro hac vice* admission. *Id.* ¶¶ 1–7; *see Unified Patents*, slip op. at 3–4.

Having reviewed Mr. Bragalone’s declaration, we determine that Mr. Bragalone has sufficient qualifications to represent Patent Owner in this proceeding. Additionally, we determine Patent Owner has shown good cause for Mr. Bragalone’s *pro hac vice* admission in this proceeding.

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ORDERED that Patent Owner's motion for *pro hac vice* admission of Jeffrey R. Bragalone is *granted*, and Mr. Bragalone is authorized to represent Patent Owner only as back-up counsel in this proceeding;

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

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Bragalone 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. Bragalone 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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