

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

BRIGHT HOUSE NETWORKS, LLC
WIDEPENWEST FINANCE, LLC
KNOLOGY OF FLORIDA, INC.
BIRCH COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Petitioner

v.

FOCAL IP, LLC,

Patent Owner

Case IPR2016-01261
Patent Number: 8,457,113 B2

**DECLARATION OF THOMAS C. CECIL IN SUPPORT OF UNOPPOSED
MOTION FOR *PRO HAC VICE* ADMISSION**

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I, Thomas C. Cecil, declare as follows:

1. I am more than twenty-one years of age, am competent to present this declaration, and have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein.

2. I have been practicing law in the field of intellectual property, and specifically patent litigation, for over seven years.

3. I have extensive experience litigating patent infringement cases in many different district courts across the United States. My experience in patent litigation matters includes, but is not limited to: taking depositions of expert witnesses regarding invalidity and infringement; assisting experts in drafting expert reports regarding invalidity and infringement; drafting claim construction briefs; drafting briefs associated with motions for summary judgment regarding invalidity and infringement issues; drafting invalidity and infringement contentions; and presenting argument in patent-related hearings.

4. I am a member in good standing of the State Bar of Texas, and the State Bar of Missouri. I am also admitted to practice before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, and the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas.

5. I have never been suspended or disbarred from practice before any court or administrative body. I have never been the subject of any ethical grievance procedure or investigation.

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6. No court or administrative body has ever denied my application for admission to practice before it.

7. I have never had any sanctions or contempt citations imposed against me by any court or administrative body.

8. 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.

9. I agree to be subject to the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et seq.* and disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a).

10. I have appeared before the Board *pro hac vice* in the last three years in IPR2016-01522 and IPR2017-01017.

11. I have an established familiarity with the subject matter at issue in this proceeding. I have substantively reviewed all materials filed in this *Inter Partes* Review, including the Petition for *Inter Partes* Review and all accompanying exhibits, and the Preliminary Response to the Petition for *Inter Partes* Review and all accompanying exhibits. I am thus very familiar with the subject matter in this proceeding.

12. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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Respectfully submitted,

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