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### UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

### BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SONY CORPORATION, SONY MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS (USA) INC., SONY MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS AB & SONY MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS INC., Petitioners,

V.

CREATIVE TECHNOLOGY LIMITED, Patent Owner.

Case No. IPR2016-01407 Patent No. 6,928,433

### PETITIONERS' MOTION FOR COUNSEL TO WITHDRAW



### I. STATEMENT OF RELIEF REQUESTED

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e) and the Board's March 30, 2017 email authorizing this motion, Sony Corporation, Sony Mobile Communications (USA) Inc., Sony Mobile Communications AB, and Sony Mobile Communications Inc. (collectively, "Petitioners") respectfully request that the Patent Trial and Appeal Board ("the Board") authorize the withdrawal of Robert M. Abrahamsen as back-up counsel in this matter.

# II. STATEMENT OF FACTS SHOWING GOOD CAUSE FOR THE BOARD TO AUTHORIZE WITHDRAWAL OF COUNSEL

Effective March 31, 2017, Robert M. Abrahamsen, will be leaving the law firm of Wolf Greenfield & Sacks, P.C. Petitioners therefore request that he be permitted to withdraw from the current proceeding.

No changes to the schedule would be required based on the change in counsel and Petitioners will continue to be represented by a lead counsel and at least one back-up counsel who can conduct business on behalf of the lead counsel in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(a).

Patent Owner has indicated it does not object to Mr. Abrahamsen's withdrawal.

## III. REASONS FOR RELIEF REQUESTED

"Counsel may not withdraw from a proceeding before the Board unless the Board authorizes such withdrawal." 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e). Given Mr.



Abrahamsen's departure from Wolf Greenfield & Sacks, P.C. and Petitioners' corresponding change in its desired counsel, it is appropriate to allow Mr. Abrahamsen to withdraw from the proceeding.

### IV. CONCLUSION

Petitioners respectfully request that the Board grant their motion to authorize the withdrawal of Mr. Abrahamsen as Back-Up counsel for Petitioners in IPR2016-01407.

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 42.6(e)(4)

I certify that on March 30, 2017, I will cause a copy of the foregoing document, including any exhibits or appendices referred to therein, to be served via electronic mail, as previously consented to by Patent Owner, upon the following:

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