

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

ALKERMES PHARMA IRELAND LTD.
and ALKERMES, INC.,
Petitioners,

v.

OTSUKA PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD.,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2017-00287
Patent 9,125,939 B2

Before JACQUELINE WRIGHT BONILLA and
JACQUELINE T. HARLOW, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

HARLOW, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION

Granting Petitioners' Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of
Nicholas K. Mitrokostas
37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c)

Petitioners filed a Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission and supporting Declaration for Nicholas K. Mitrokostas in the above captioned proceeding. Paper 8; Ex. 1077.

Upon review of Petitioners' submissions, we determine that the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 42.10 have been met and there is good cause to admit Mr. Mitrokostas *pro hac vice* in these proceedings.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that Petitioners' Motion for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* of Nicholas K. Mitrokostas is *granted*; Mr. Mitrokostas is authorized to act only as back-up counsel in the instant proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioners are to continue to have a registered practitioner represent them as lead counsel for the instant proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Mitrokostas is to comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials, as set forth in Part 42 of Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Mitrokostas is to be subject to the Office's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a), and the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et. seq.*

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