

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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COMPLEX INNOVATIONS, LLC,  
Petitioner,

v.

ASTRAZENECA AB,  
Patent Owner.

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Case IPR2017-00631  
Patent 7,759,328 B2

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Before ERICA A. FRANKLIN, SUSAN L.C. MITCHELL, and  
ZHENYU YANG, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

FRANKLIN, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER

Granting Patent Owner's Motion for Withdrawal and  
Substitution of Counsel  
*37 C.F.R. §§ 42.5, 42.10(e)*

Patent Owner moves for the Board to allow Mr. Jeffrey P. Kushan of Sidley Austin LLP to withdraw as lead counsel, and Mr. Paul J. Zegger of Sidley Austin LLP to withdraw as backup counsel in this proceeding. Paper 5, 2. Patent Owner seeks to substitute Mr. Christopher Sipes of Covington & Burling LLP as lead counsel, and Ms. Andrea G. Reister of Covington & Burling LLP as back-up counsel. By email, dated March 20, 2017, we authorized Patent Owner to file the motion. The motion includes a statement that it is unopposed by Petitioner. *Id.* at 3.

Subsequently, Patent Owner filed a Power of Attorney that appoints “practitioners associated with Customer Number 26853” as its attorneys to transact all business with United States Patent & Trademark Office associated with this proceeding. Paper 6, 3. The appointment designates Mr. Sipes as lead counsel and Ms. Reister as back-up counsel. *Id.* Additionally, Patent Owner updated its Mandatory Notices to designate Mr. Sipes as lead counsel and Ms. Reister as back-up counsel. Paper 7, 2.

Upon considering Patent Owner’s motion, along with its Power of Attorney and updated Mandatory Notices, we *grant* the motion.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that Patent Owner’s Motion for Withdrawal and Substitution of Counsel is *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Jeffrey P. Kushan and Mr. Paul J. Zegger are considered to have withdrawn as counsel for Patent Owner and no further filings are necessary to effectuate that action; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Christopher Sipes is recognized as lead counsel and Ms. Andrea G. Reister is recognized as back-up counsel for Patent Owner in this proceeding.

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