

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

BRECKENRIDGE PHARMACEUTICAL, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

NOVARTIS PHARMACEUTICALS CORP.,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2017-01592
Patent 8,410,131 B2

Before SHERIDAN K. SNEDDEN, ROBERT A. POLLOCK, and
JACQUELINE T. HARLOW, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

POLLOCK, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION

Granting Patent Owner's Motions For *Pro Hac Vice* Admission
Of Christina Schwarz and Jared L. Stringham
37 C.F.R. § 42.10

Patent Owner filed motions for *pro hac vice* admission of Christina Schwarz (Paper 10) and Jared L. Stringham (Paper 46). The motions are supported by the declarations of Ms. Schwarz (Ex. 2020) and Mr. Stringham (Ex. 2111). On page 1 of each motion, Patent Owner avers that Petitioner does not oppose the motions.

The Board has reviewed the submissions and determined that the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 42.10 have been met and there is good cause to admit Ms. Schwarz and Mr. Stringham *pro hac vice*.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED that Patent Owner's motions for admission of Christina Schwarz and Jared L. Stringham *pro hac vice* are granted;

FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Schwarz and Mr. Stringham are authorized to represent Patent Owner only as back-up counsel in the instant proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner is to continue to have a registered practitioner represent it as lead counsel for the instant proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner shall submit Powers of Attorney for Ms. Schwarz and Mr. Stringham in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(b);

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner shall file an updated mandatory notice identifying Ms. Schwarz and Mr. Stringham as back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.8(b)(3);

FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Schwarz and Mr. Stringham each shall comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials, as set forth in Part 42 of the C.F.R.; and

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FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Schwarz and Mr. Stringham each shall be subject to the Office's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a) and the Office's Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101-11.901.

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