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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

BRECKENRIDGE PHARMACEUTICAL, INC., AND WEST-WARD PHARMACEUTICALS INTERNATIONAL LIMITED Petitioners,

v.

NOVARTIS PHARMACEUTICALS CORP., Patent Owner.

Case IPR2017-01592¹ 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 Motion to Withdraw Counsel 37 C.F.R. § 42.10

¹ IPR2018-00507 has been joined to this proceeding.



On July 30, 2018, Patent Owner filed an "Unopposed Motion For Withdrawal Of Counsel" requesting that the Board withdraw Charlotte Jacobsen as counsel for Patent Owner in the above-captioned proceeding, because "Ms. Jacobsen is no longer at the law firm of Fitzpatrick, Cella, Harper & Scinto, which represents Patent Owner Novartis in this matter." Paper 50 ("Motion").² Patent Owner indicates that Petitioners do not oppose the Motion. *Id.* Patent Owner continues to be represented by lead counsel and back-up counsel. *See* Paper 48.

Accordingly, it is:

ORDERED that Patent Owner's motion is *granted*, and Ms. Jacobsen is withdrawn as counsel for Patent Owner in this proceeding; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner shall file an updated mandatory notice identifying current lead and back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3) within five (5) business days.



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² Filing of the Motion was authorized via e-mail correspondence from the Board on July 30, 2018.

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