

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

UBISOFT, INC. AND SQUARE ENIX, INC.,
Petitioners,

v.

UNILOC USA, INC. AND UNILOC LUXEMBOURG S.A.,
Patent Owners.

U.S. Patent No. 6,324,578

DECLARATION OF SCOTT BENNETT, Ph.D.
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I. INTRODUCTION

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II. BACKGROUND AND QUALIFICATIONS

4. I was previously employed as follows:

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- Director, The Milton S. Eisenhower Library, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, 1989-1994;
- Assistant University Librarian for Collection Management, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, 1981-1989;
- Instructor, Assistant, and Associate Professor of Library Administration, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL, 1974-1981; and
- Assistant Professor of English, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1967-1974.

5. Over the course of my work as a librarian, professor of English, researcher, and author of nearly fifty scholarly papers and other publications, I have had extensive experience with catalog records and online library management systems built around Machine-Readable Cataloging (MARC) standards. I also have substantial experience in authenticating printed documents and establishing the date when they were accessible to researchers.

6. In the course of more than fifty years of academic life, I have myself been an active researcher. I have collaborated with many individual researchers and, as a librarian, worked in the services of thousands of researchers at four prominent research universities. Over the years, I have read some of the voluminous professional literature on the information seeking behaviors of

academic researchers. And as an educator, I have a broad knowledge of the ways in which students in a variety of disciplines learn to master the bibliographic resources used in their disciplines. In all of these ways, I have a general knowledge of how researchers work.

III. PRELIMINARIES

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