

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SONY CORPORATION
Petitioner

v.

ARRIS ENTERPRISES LLC
Patent Owner

Case IPR2017-01961
Patent 6,934,148

**PATENT OWNER'S MOTION TO WITHDRAW AND SUBSTITUTE
COUNSEL**

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I. RELIEF REQUESTED

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e), and as authorized by the Board in an e-mail dated October 26, 2017, Patent Owner ARRIS Enterprises LLC and Real Party-in-Interest ARRIS International plc (collectively “ARRIS”) request that the Board withdraw all attorneys and agents associated with FISH & RICHARDSON P.C., who are currently counsel for ARRIS. Specifically, in this *inter partes* review proceeding ARRIS requests authorization to withdraw Christopher O. Green as lead counsel and Jeremy Monaldo and Erin Alper as back-up counsel.

ARRIS has conferred with Petitioner’s counsel. Petitioner does not oppose this motion.

II. STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL

ARRIS wishes for current lead counsel Christopher O. Green (Registration No. 52,964) and current back-up counsel Jeremy Monaldo (Registration No. 58,680) and Erin Alper (Registration No. 67,205), all of FISH & RICHARDSON P.C., to be withdrawn and substituted by Robert Sokohl (Registration No. 36,013) as lead counsel and Chandrika Vira (Registration No. 60,607) and Michelle K. Holoubek (Registration No. 54,179) as back-up counsel, all of STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.

ARRIS’s new lead counsel Mr. Sokohl and new back-up counsel Ms. Vira and Ms. Holoubek meet the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c).

As ordered by the Board in its e-mail dated October 26, 2017, (1) ARRIS filed an updated mandatory notice on October 31, 2017 identifying the newly proposed counsel as back-up counsel, and (2) current lead counsel Christopher O. Green identified the newly proposed counsel as back-up counsel in PTAB E2E such that PTAB E2E reflects the newly proposed counsel as additional back-up counsel.

It is believed that granting this Motion will not hinder the economy, the integrity of the patent system, the efficient administration of the Office, or the ability of the Office to timely complete this proceeding. *See* 35 U.S.C. § 316(b).

An executed Power of Attorney has already been filed for ARRIS's new lead counsel and back-up counsel.

Updated Mandatory Notices Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.8(b)(3) and (b)(4) will be filed upon grant of the present motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing **PATENT OWNER'S MOTION TO WITHDRAW AND SUBSTITUTE COUNSEL** was served electronically via e-mail on November 7, 2017, in its entirety on the following counsel of record for Petitioner:

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