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> UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD UNIFIED PATENTS INC., Petitioner. v. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION INNOVATIONS, LLC, Patent Owner. Case IPR2017-02022 Patent 7,917,285 B2

Paper 10

Before MITCHELL G. WEATHERLY, CARL M. DeFRANCO, and GEORGE R. HOSKINS, Administrative Patent Judges.

WEATHERLY, Administrative Patent Judge.

TERMINATION Dismissing the Petition 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.5(a), 42.71(a)

On January 22, 2018, we authorized the parties via e-mail to file a joint request to terminate this proceeding and to file the settlement agreement as business confidential information under 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c). On February 7, 2018, the parties filed their joint motion. Paper 8. With their joint motion to terminate, the parties also filed a Motion to Keep



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Confidential their settlement agreement. Paper 9, 1; *see also* Exhibit 1020 (a copy of the settlement agreement).

We have not instituted trial in this proceeding. Thus, this proceeding is in its initial stages. The parties indicate that "written confidential settlement agreement . . . fully resolves this matter." Paper 8, 1; *see also id*. at 3 (indicating that related litigation has been resolved). Under these circumstances, we determine that it is appropriate to dismiss the petition. *See* 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.5(a), 42.71(a). This paper does not constitute a final written decision pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 318(a).

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the parties' Joint Motion to Dismiss and Terminate the Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent 7,917,285 under 37 C.F.R. 42.71(a) is *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of the above-referenced patent is *dismissed*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the parties' Joint Motion to Keep Confidential and Separate under 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c) is *granted*.



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