

Filed on behalf of:
Google Inc.

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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GOOGLE LLC,

Petitioner,

v.

ALEX IS THE BEST, LLC,

Patent Owner.

IPR2017-02058

U.S. Patent No. 8,581,991

PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR REFUND OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES

Petitioner Google Inc., formerly Google LLC, (hereinafter, “Google”), respectfully requests a refund of all post-institution fees in this proceeding, in the amount of \$15,000.

On September 7, 2017, Petitioner filed a Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 8,581,991. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(a), Petitioner deposited a total amount of \$30,500 with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (“USPTO”) at the time of filing the Petition for associated fees. Petitioner’s deposit included payment of \$15,500 as a request fee and a post-institution fee of \$15,000. In total, Petitioner paid post-institution fees amounting to \$15,000.

On March 9, 2018, the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (“PTAB”) issued an Order (Paper 10) declining institution. Petitioner subsequently requested rehearing under 37 C.F.R. § 42.71. On March 18, 2019, the PTAB issued an Order (Paper 13) denying the request for rehearing. Accordingly, *Inter Parties* Review was not instituted. Petitioner respectfully requests refund of the post-institution fees paid to USPTO in connection with this proceeding, the total \$15,000 to be paid to deposit account no. 02-1010 with reference to Attorney Docket No. 51783-259774.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.6(e), the undersigned certifies that on this 29th day of March 2019, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing **PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR REFUND OF POST-INSTITUTION FEES**, and all accompanying exhibits, to be served on Patent Owner via electronic mail at the following addresses of record:

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