## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

### BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

# UNIFIED PATENTS, INC., Petitioner,

v.

UNIVERSAL SECURE REGISTRY LLC, Patent Owner.

> Case IPR2018-00067 Patent 8,577,813 B2

Before BART A. GERSTENBLITH, SCOTT C. MOORE, and JASON W. MELVIN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

MELVIN, Administrative Patent Judge.

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ORDER Petitioner's Motion to Seal 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.5, 42.14



#### I. PETITIONER'S MOTION TO SEAL

Petitioner moves unopposed to seal and therefore maintain restricted access to: Exhibits 1036, 1037, 2011, 2012, and 2017; Petitioner's Reply (Paper 39); Patent Owner's Response (Paper 28); and Patent Owner's Corrected Response (Papers 48 and 49 (redline)). Motion to Seal, 2–3 (Paper 55). Petitioner also requests that we accept public, redacted versions of: Exhibits 1036, 1037, and 2017 as Exhibits 1043, 1044, and 2016, respectively; Petitioner's Reply (Paper 56); Patent Owner's Response (Paper 27); Patent Owner's Corrected Response (Paper 50); and Patent Owner's Oral Hearing Demonstratives (Exhibit 2016). *Id.* Finally, Petitioner requests that we expunge the prior public version of Petitioner's Reply (Paper 38). *Id.* at 2.

The Motion to Seal persuades us that good cause supports protecting the information Petitioner seeks to seal under the Protective Order. *Id.* at 3–10; *see* 37 C.F.R. § 43.54. "Confidential information subject to a protective order ordinarily would become public 45 days after denial of a petition to institute a trial or 45 days after final judgment in a trial." Office Patent Trial Practice Guide, 77 Fed. Reg. 48,756, 48,761 (Aug. 14, 2012). "A party seeking to maintain the confidentiality of information, however, may file a motion to expunge the information from the record prior to the information becoming public." *Id.* (citing 37 C.F.R. § 42.56).

# II. ORDER

It is therefore ORDERED that Petitioner's Motion to Seal (Paper 55) is granted. IPR2018-00067 Patent 8,577,813 B2

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