

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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ARGENTUM PHARMACEUTICALS LLC,  
Petitioner,

v.

COSMO TECHNOLOGIES LTD.,  
Patent Owner.

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Case IPR2018-00080  
Patent 9,320,716 B2

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Before: SUSAN L. C. MITCHELL, ZHENYU YANG, and  
KRISTI L. R. SAWERT, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

SAWERT, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER  
Motion to Withdraw and Substitute Counsel  
*37 C.F.R. § 42.10*

Counsel may withdraw from an *inter partes* review proceeding only with authorization from the Board. 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e). Argentum Pharmaceuticals LLC (“Petitioner”) received authorization from the Board and filed a Motion to Withdraw Counsel and Substitute New Counsel in the above-identified proceeding. Paper 13 (“Motion”).

Petitioner requests withdrawal of lead counsel Michael Houston and back-up counsel Joseph Meara, and to substitute Kevin Laurence (Registration No. 38,219) as lead counsel and Matthew Phillips (Registration No. 43,403) as back-up counsel. *Id.* at 2. Petitioner represents that Patent Owner Cosmo Technologies Ltd. does not oppose the Motion. *Id.* Petitioner also represents that Mr. Laurence and Mr. Phillips meet the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c) as registered practitioners. *Id.* A supplemental Power of Attorney has been filed authorizing Mr. Laurence and Mr. Phillips to represent Petitioner in this proceeding. Paper 10.

Because no prejudice is shown and Patent Owner does not oppose the proposed withdrawal and substitution of counsel, the Motion is *granted*.

It is therefore

ORDERED that Michael Houston and Joseph Meara are allowed to withdraw as counsel from this proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Kevin Laurence is recognized as lead counsel, and Matthew Phillips is recognized as back-up counsel for Petitioner; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner shall file an updated Mandatory Notice within one week of the date of this Order.

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