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ZTE (USA) Inc., Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., and Samsung Electronics America, Inc.,

Petitioner

v.

Fundamental Innovation Systems International LLC,

Patent Owner

DECLARATION OF JAMES T. GEIER

Case No. IPR2018-00274



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I. Introduction

- 1. My name is James T. Geier. I submit this declaration on behalf of ZTE (USA) Inc., Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., and Samsung Electronics America, Inc. ("Petitioner"), which I understand are challenging the validity of claims 8-13 ("the challenged claims") of U.S. Patent No. 7,834,586 B2 ("the 586 patent") in a petition for inter partes review.
- 2. I have been asked to provide an opinion on the validity of the challenged claims. In my opinion, claims 8-13 of the 586 patent are obvious based on the following grounds:
 - U.S. Patent No. 5,925,942 ("Theobald") and U.S. Patent No. 6,625,738 ("Shiga") render obvious claims 8-13 of the '586 patent; and
 - U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2008/0272741 ("Kanamori") renders obvious claims 10 and 13 of the '586 patent.

II. Background/Qualifications

- 3. Appendix A to this declaration is my curriculum vitae, which sets forth my qualifications.
- 4. I received a B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering from California
 State University in 1985. In 1990, I received an M.S. degree in Electrical
 Engineering from the Air Force Institute of Technology.
 - 5. I have 30 years' experience in the communications industry designing,



analyzing, and implementing communications systems, wireless networks, and mobile devices. I have authored over a dozen books on mobile and wireless topics, including Designing and Deploying 802.11 Wireless Networks (Cisco Press), Implementing 802.1X Security Solutions (Wiley), Wireless Networking Handbook (New Riders) and Network Re-engineering (McGraw-Hill). I have been an active participant within standards organizations, such as the IEEE 802.11 Working Group and the Wi-Fi Alliance. I have served as Chairman of the IEEE Computer Society, Dayton Section, and various conferences.

6. I have significant experience with USB, which includes reviewing and analyzing USB specifications and designing and integrating corresponding USB interfaces within various applications. Since 1998, I have been analyzing the operation and limitations of USB in relation to mobile devices that I have designed. For example, during 1998-1999, I analyzed and tested the integration of USB into Monarch Marking Systems bar code scanners and printers. Also, during 2008-2009, I integrated USB into a microcontroller-based monitoring and control system, which involved writing software drivers to interface the microcontroller to the functionality of a USB port. In addition, I have analyzed how USB impacts the operation and specifications of many other devices, such as wireless IP phones and patient heart monitors, which I've been part of designing.



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