

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

MICROSOFT CORPORATION, APPLE INC.,
and MOTOROLA MOBILITY LLC,

Petitioners,

v.

UNILOC 2017 LLC,
Patent Owner.

IPR2019-01471
Patent 6,836,654 B2

Before JENNIFER S. BISK, NEIL T. POWELL, and JOHN D. HAMANN,
Administrative Patent Judges.

HAMANN, *Administrative Patent Judge.*

ORDER

Adjusting One-Year Pendency Due to Joinder
35 U.S.C. § 316(a)(11); 37 C.F.R § 42.100(c)

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On February 11, 2020, the Board instituted an *inter partes* review of claims 10–20 of U.S. Patent No. 6,836,654 B2 in the present proceeding. Paper 7. On August 12, 2020, the Board joined Petitioner from proceeding IPR2020-00701 to the present proceeding. Paper 11.

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 316(a)(11), “the final determination in an inter partes review [shall] be issued not later than 1 year after the date on which the Director notices the institution of a review under this chapter, except that the Director . . . may adjust the time periods in this paragraph in the case of joinder under section 315(c).” The Director has delegated the authority to adjust the one-year period to the Board. *See* 37 C.F.R.

§ 42.100(c). In particular, 37 C.F.R. § 42.100(c) provides:

An inter partes review proceeding shall be administered such that pendency before the Board after institution is normally no more than one year. The time can be . . . adjusted by the Board in the case of joinder.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.100(c), the Board adjusts the time of pendency before the Board in the present proceeding, which involves joinder, to permit the Board to consider and determine the pending issues. The Board shall issue a Final Written Decision in this proceeding no later than March 5, 2021.

It is

ORDERED that the time of pendency in this proceeding, which involves joinder, is adjusted; and
FURTHER ORDERED that the Board shall issue a Final Written Decision in this proceeding no later than March 5, 2021.

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