### UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

ALIGN TECHNOLOGY, INC., Petitioner

v.

3SHAPE A/S, Patent Owner

Case IPR2022-00145 U.S. Patent No. RE48,221

## PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR REFUND OF THE POST-INSTITUTION FEE

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Pursuant to the Patent and Trademark Office's Final Rule Setting and Adjusting Patent Fees, 78 Fed. Reg. 4,211, 4,233-34 (Jan. 18, 2013), Petitioner requests a refund in the amount of \$27,750.00 to be paid to deposit account number 19-0036.

On November 9, 2021, Petitioner filed a Petition for *Inter Partes* Review seeking review of claims 1, 19-44 of U.S. Patent No. RE48,221 (assigned case number IPR2022-00145) (Paper 1). On February 18, 2022, Petitioner filed a Motion to Dismiss the Petition (Paper 7), which the Board granted on February 25, 2022 (Paper 9). Trial was never instituted in this proceeding.

The Rules provide for a refund of the institution fee if the Board does not institute trial. Payment of the \$27,750.00 post-institution fee under 37 C.F.R. § 42.15(b)(2) in this proceeding was processed through PTAB E2E on October 12, 2021.

#### Relief requested:

Accordingly, Petitioner requests a refund in the amount of \$27,750.00 for

the post-institution fee that it has paid to the USPTO in connection with this

proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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# **CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the

# foregoing PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR REFUND OF THE POST-

INSTITUTION FEE was served electronically via e-mail on March 8, 2022 in its

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