UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD
Apple Inc. Petitioner,
v.
Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson Patent Owner.
Case IPR2022-00716 Patent No. 9,705,400

# JOINT MOTION TO TERMINATE PROCEEDING



## **UPDATED EXHIBIT LIST**

Exhibit 1001	U.S. Patent No. 9,705,400
Exhibit 1002	File History of U.S. Patent No. 9,705,400
Exhibit 1003	File History of European Patent No. EP2811646
Exhibit 1004	International Publication WO 2010/111433 A2 ("Smith")
Exhibit 1005	United States Patent No. 5,506,493 (Stengel)
Exhibit 1006	Declaration of Dr. Marwan Hassoun, Ph.D. in Support of Petition for <i>Inter Partes</i> Review
Exhibit 1007	Curriculum Vitae of Dr. Marwan Hassoun, Ph.D.
Exhibit 1008	Hart, Daniel W., "Power Electronics," McGraw-Hill, 2011
Exhibit 1009	Maxim Integrated, "Fundamentals of Class D Amplifiers," Application Note 3977, Jan. 31, 2007
Exhibit 1010	Honda, Jun et al. "Class D Audio Amplifier Basics," Application Note AN-1071, Internal Rectifier, Feb. 8, 2005
Exhibit 1011	Sattar, Abdus, "Insulated Gate Bipolar Transistor (IGBT) Basics," IXYS Corp., 2008
Exhibit 1012	Dodge, Jonathan, " <i>IGBT Tutorial</i> ," Application Note APT0201 Rev. B, Advanced Power Technology, July 1, 2002
Exhibit 1013	In the Matter of Certain Mobile Phones and Tablet Computers, All With Switchable Connectivity, ITC-337-TA-1300, Exhibit 15A to Complaint, Complainant's Proof of Infringement (ITC Jan. 18, 2022)
Exhibit 1014	In the Matter of Certain Mobile Phones and Tablet Computers, All with Switchable Connectivity, ITC-337-TA-1300, Proposed Scheduling Order (ITC Mar. 11, 2022)
Exhibit 1015	Confidential Settlement Agreement



Petitioner Apple Inc. ("Apple" or "Petitioner") and Patent Owner Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson ("Ericsson" or "Patent Owner") have reached a settlement. Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(a) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74, Apple and Ericsson move to terminate the present *inter partes* review proceeding.

### I. STATEMENT OF FACTS

Apple and Ericsson (collectively, the "Settling Parties") have reached an agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") to resolve their disputes.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(b), the Settlement Agreement is in writing, and a true and correct copy is being filed as Exhibit 1015. The Settlement Agreement is being filed electronically with access to "Board and Parties Only." A "Joint Request to File Settlement Agreement as Business Confidential Information Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317 and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74" is being filed concurrently with this Joint Motion to Terminate, to treat the Settlement Agreement as business confidential information and to keep it separate from the files of the involved patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c).

## II. RELIEF REQUESTED

Termination of this *inter partes* review is requested, and the Settling Parties respectfully submit that such termination is justified. "There are strong public policy reasons to favor settlement between the parties to a proceeding." Consolidated Trial Practice Guide 86 (Nov. 2019). "The Board expects that a proceeding will terminate



after the filing of a settlement agreement, unless the Board has already decided the merits of the proceeding." *Id.* (citing 35 U.S.C. §§ 317(a)).

The Board should terminate this proceeding, as the Settling Parties jointly request, for the following reasons.

First, Apple and Ericsson have met the statutory requirement that they file a "joint request" to terminate before the Office "has decided the merits of the proceeding." 35 U.S.C. § 317(a). Under section 317(a), an *inter partes* review shall be terminated upon such joint request "unless the Office has decided the merits of the proceeding before the request for termination is filed." There are no other preconditions recited in 35 U.S.C. § 317(a).

Second, Apple and Ericsson have reached a settlement as to all the disputes in this proceeding and as to the '400 patent. A true copy of the settlement agreement is being filed concurrently herewith. See Confidential Exhibit 1015. Apple and Ericsson request that the settlement agreement be treated as business confidential information and be kept separate from the files of this proceeding in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c). No other such agreements, written or oral, exist between or among the Settling Parties.

*Third*, termination would save significant further expenditure of resources by the Settling Parties. Termination upon settlement, as requested, would also further the purpose of *inter partes* review proceedings, which seek to provide an efficient



and less costly alternative forum for patent disputes. Further, maintaining the proceeding would discourage further settlements, as patent owners in similar situations would have a strong disincentive to settle if they perceived that an *inter* partes review would continue regardless of a settlement.

## III. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Apple and Ericsson respectfully request termination of this *inter partes* review.



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