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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

MAJOR DATA UAB,
Petitioner,

v.

BRIGHT DATA LTD.,
Patent Owner.

IPR2022-00915
Patent 10,257,319 B2

Before THOMAS L. GIANNETTI, KEVIN C. TROCK, and
SHEILA F. McSHANE, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

TROCK, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

JUDGMENT

Final Written Decision
Determining All Challenged Claims Unpatentable
Granting Motion to Seal and Protective Order
35 U.S.C. § 318(a); 37 C.F.R. § 42.14

I. INTRODUCTION

We have authority to hear this *inter partes* review under 35 U.S.C. § 6. This Final Written Decision issues pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 318(a) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.73. For the reasons discussed herein, we determine that Petitioner, Major Data UAB, has shown by a preponderance of the evidence that claims 1, 2, 12, 14, 15, 17–19, and 21–29 of U.S. Patent No. 10,257,319 B2 (Ex. 1001, “the ’319 patent”) are unpatentable. *See* 35 U.S.C. § 316(e) (2018); 37 C.F.R. § 42.1(d) (2019).

II. BACKGROUND

A. Procedural History

Major Data UAB (“Petitioner”) filed a Petition (Paper 1, “Pet.”) requesting *inter partes* review of claims 1, 2, 12, 14, 15, 17–19, and 21–29 of the ’319 patent (the “challenged claims”). Bright Data Ltd.¹ (“Patent Owner”) filed a Preliminary Response. Paper 12. With authorization from the panel, Petitioner filed a Preliminary Reply (Paper 16), and Patent Owner filed a Preliminary Sur-reply (Paper 17). Based upon the record at that time, we instituted *inter partes* review on all challenged claims on grounds presented in the Petition. Paper 18 (“Institution Decision” or “Dec.”).

After institution, Patent Owner filed a Response (Paper 30, “PO Resp.”), Petitioner filed a Reply (Paper 37, “Pet. Reply”), and Patent Owner filed a Sur-reply (Paper 38, “PO Sur-reply”).

¹ According to Petitioner, Bright Data Ltd. was formerly known as Luminati Networks, Ltd. *See* Pet. 1.

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On June 9, 2023, an oral hearing was held. A transcript of the hearing is made part of the record. *See* Paper 48.

B. Related Matters

The parties identify several district court proceedings involving the '319 patent and a related patent, U.S. Patent No. 10,484,510 (“the '510 patent”), including *Bright Data Ltd. v. NetNut Ltd.*, No. 2:21-cv-225 (E.D. Tex.) (the “NetNut Litigation”); and *Luminati Networks Ltd. v. Teso LT, UAB, et al.*, No. 2:19-cv-395 (E.D. Tex.) (the “Teso Litigation”). Pet. 3–4; Paper 6, 2–3. The parties also identify a number of district court actions involving patents related to the '319 patent. *Id.*

According to the parties, the '319 patent has been before the Board in IPR2020-01266, IPR2021-01492, IPR2022-00135, and IPR2022-00861. Pet. 4; Paper 6, 1–2. The parties also identify a number of other USPTO proceedings involving patents related to the '319 patent. *See* Pet. 4–6; Paper 6, 1–2.

In addition, Patent Owner identifies *ex parte* reexaminations requested and ordered for the '319 and '510 patents, respectively, Control No. 90/014,875 and Control No. 90/014,876, and which have been stayed. Paper 6, 2; IPR2021-01492, Paper 14; IPR2021-01493, Paper 13.

C. Real Parties-in-Interest

Petitioner identifies Major Data UAB as the real party-in-interest. Pet. 2. Patent Owner “certifies that Bright Data Ltd. is the real party-in-interest.” Paper 6, 1. In its Response, Patent Owner does not challenge Petitioner’s identification of Major Data UAB as the real party-in-interest. *See generally* PO Resp.

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D. The '319 Patent

The '319 patent is titled “System Providing Faster and More Efficient Data Communication.” Ex. 1001, code (54). According to the '319 patent, there is a “need for a new method of data transfer that is fast for the consumer, cheap for the content distributor and does not require infrastructure investment for ISPs.” *Id.* at 1:54–56. The patent states that other “attempts at making the Internet faster for the consumer and cheaper for the broadcaster,” such as proxy servers and peer-to-peer file sharing, have various shortcomings. *Id.* at 1:58–59; 2:24–2:32; 2:59–3:3.

The '319 patent describes a system and method “for faster and more efficient data communication within a communication network,” such as in the network illustrated in Figure 3, reproduced below (*id.* at 4:41–44):

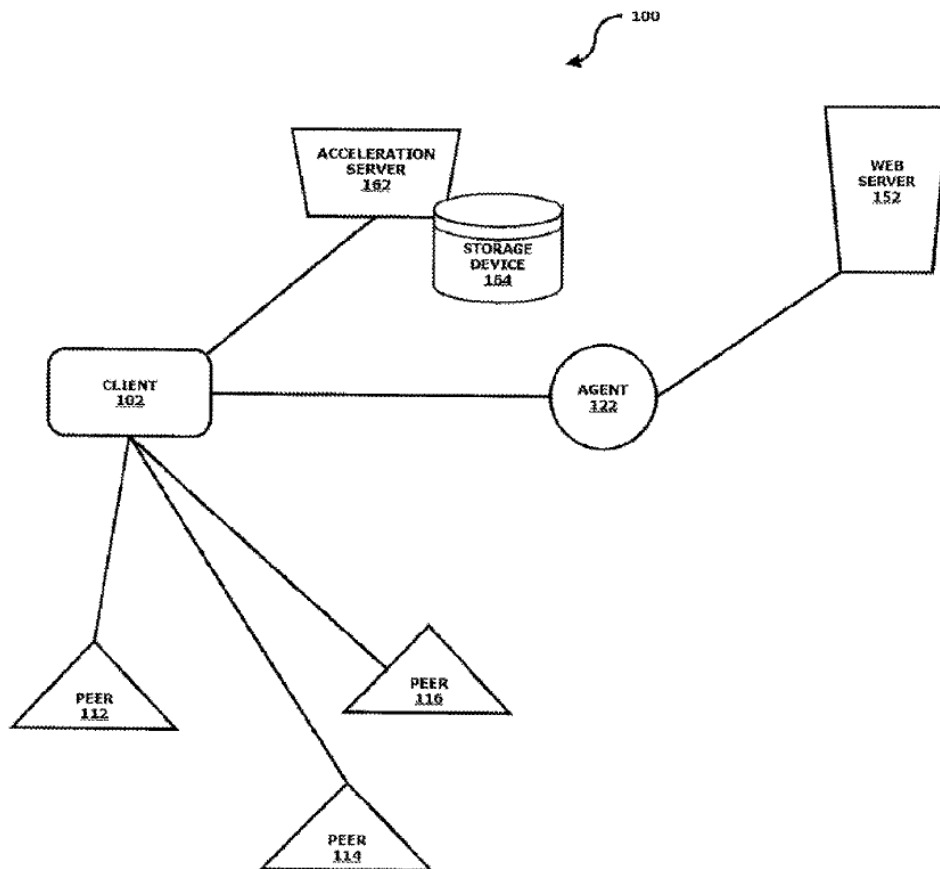


FIG. 3

Figure 3 is a schematic diagram depicting communication network 100 including a number of communication devices. *Id.* at 4:43–45. Due to the functionality provided by software stored within each communication device, “each device may serve as a client, peer, or agent, depending upon requirements of the network 100.” *Id.* at 4:46–50.

Client 102 is capable of communicating with peers 112, 114, and 116, as well as with one or more agents 122. *Id.* at 4:56–58. Web server 152 may be “a typical HTTP server, such as those being used to deliver content on any of the many such servers on the Internet.” *Id.* at 4:63–67.

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