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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

US ENDODONTICS, LLC, Petitioner,

V.

GOLD STANDARD INSTRUMENTS, LLC, Patent Owner.

Case PGR2015-00019 Patent 8,876,991 B2

Before JOSIAH C. COCKS, HYUN J. JUNG, and TIMOTHY J. GOODSON, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

 ${\bf GOODSON}, Administrative\ Patent\ Judge.$

ORDER
Granting Patent Owner's Motion to Withdraw Counsel
37 C.F.R. § 42.10



Counsel may withdraw from a post-grant review proceeding only with authorization from the Board. 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e). In this proceeding, Patent Owner designated Jason Nolan of Rothwell, Figg, Ernst & Manbeck, P.C. ("RFEM") as lead counsel and Joseph Hynds, R. Elizabeth Brenner-Leifer, C. Nichole Gifford, Steven Lieberman, and Derek Dahlgren, all of RFEM, as back-up counsel. Paper 52, 4–5.

After receiving our authorization to do so, Patent Owner filed a Motion to Withdraw Counsel seeking the withdrawal of Mr. Nolan as lead counsel because he is no longer associated with RFEM. Paper 55, 2. Concurrent with its Motion, Patent Owner filed updated Notices designating Mr. Hynds to replace Mr. Nolan as lead counsel. Paper 56, 4. The Motion states that Petitioner does not oppose the Motion. Paper 55, 2. We *grant* authorization for Mr. Nolan to withdraw and be replaced as lead counsel by Mr. Hynds.

For the foregoing reasons, it is

ORDERED that Jason Nolan may withdraw as lead counsel for Patent Owner in this proceeding to be replaced by Joseph Hynds.



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