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#### MOTION TO SUSPEND APPEAL

Applicant, TekSavvy Solutions Inc. ("TekSavvy"), respectfully moves that the appeal of the refusal to register the above-captioned mark, be suspended pursuant to TBMP § 1213(1) (2014).

Good cause for this Motion is found in the attached pleadings that that may be dispositive of the issues involved in the present appeal. Attached are a copy of the complaint and exhibits filed in the United States District Court, for the District of Maryland, Baltimore Division, Civil Action No. 1:16-cv-04125-ELH, TEKSYSTEMS, INC. v. TEKSAVVY SOLUTIONS, INC., filed December 29, 2016 ("Maryland Case").

The registration that is the basis of the refusal to register in the above-captioned application is U.S. Registration No. 4,389,639, for the mark TEKSAVVY and is owned by the

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plaintiff in the attached complaint, TEKsystems, Inc. ("TSI"). In the complaint, TSI seeks a declaratory judgment of validity of its registration for TEKSAVVY over the rights of TekSavvy in its TEKSAVVY mark. TSI further claims that the present applicant, TekSavvy, is infringing upon the rights of TSI.

As set forth in the complaint, including Exhibits A and B thereto, counsel for Applicant was requesting a Consent to Registration from TSI based upon Applicant's prior use of the mark TEKSAVVY for a blog of Applicant in the United States prior to the date of first use of the mark of the TSI registration. The above-captioned application of this appeal is referenced in paragraph 12 and Exhibit A of the complaint. In paragraph 18 of the complaint, counsel for TSI alleged that "TekSavvy would file a Petition to Cancel TEKsystems' TEKSAVVY Registration in the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board unless TEKsystems consents to TekSavvy's registration of TEKSAVVY in the USPTO."

The Maryland Case is in its early stages, and no discovery has been taken yet.

Applicant submits that the Maryland Case may be dispositive of the issues involved in the present appeal, in that Applicant's rights in its TEKSAVVY mark over the mark of the registration of TSI are at issue in the Maryland Case and may be decided therein, or agreed upon by TekSavvy and TSI in a settlement of the Maryland Case.

In view of the foregoing information and the Maryland Case, Applicant respectfully requests that this motion be granted and that the appeal be suspended pending final determination of the Maryland Case.

Respectfully submitted,

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