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IN RE: APPLICATION SERIAL NO. 79/169,144

BUTTERBALL, LLC,

Opposer,

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McWILLIAM'S WINES GROUP LIMITED,

Applicant.

Opposition No. 91228002

MOTION TO SUSPEND OPPOSITION PROCEEDING DUE TO PENDING CIVIL ACTION

Applicant McWilliam's Wines Group Limited ("Applicant") hereby moves the Board for an order suspending the opposition proceeding filed by Opposer Butterball, LLC ("Opposer") against Applicant's U.S. Ser. No. 79/169,144 pending the outcome of *Butterball, LLC v. McWilliam's Wine Group Limited*, Case No. 5:16-cv-00941, a civil action pending between Opposer and Applicant in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina ("Civil Action"). Exhibit A hereto is a copy of the Complaint in the Civil Action.

Because the Civil Action involves the same parties, the same mark, and has issues in common with this opposition proceeding, Applicant respectfully requests that this proceeding be suspended, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §2.117(a), pending the final disposition of the Civil Action. See TBMP §510.02(a).

Respectfully submitted,

By<u>/s/ Raffi Zerounian</u>

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Laura Prongos, hereby certify that a true and complete copy of the MOTION TO SUSPEND OPPOSITION PROCEEDING DUE TO PENDING CIVIL ACTION was served on the parties listed below by mailing said copies on January 17, 2017 via U.S. First Class Mail, postage pre-paid to:

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