## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS MARSHALL DIVISION

AGIS SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT, LLC

Plaintiff,

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:17-cv-513-JRG

v.

HUAWEI DEVICE USA INC., HUAWEI DEVICE CO., LTD. AND HUAWEI DEVICE (DONGGUAN) CO., LTD.

Defendants.

**JURY TRIAL DEMANDED** 

DEFENDANTS HUAWEI DEVICE USA INC., HUAWEI DEVICE CO., LTD. AND HUAWEI DEVICE (DONGGUAN) CO., LTD.'S MOTION TO TRANSFER VENUE TO THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA



### **TABLE OF CONTENTS**

			ı	Page	
I.	INTROD	UCTIO	N	1	
II.	FACTUAL AND PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND				
	A.	Proced	lural Status	2	
	B.	The Pa	arties, Their Locations, Potential Witnesses, and Evidence	3	
		1.	AGIS Has No Ties To E.D. Tex.	3	
		2.	The Huawei Defendants Have Relevant Ties To N.D. Cal	4	
		3.	Relevant and Material Third Parties Are Located In Or Closer To N.D Cal.		
III.	LEGAL	STAND	ARD	7	
IV.	ARGUM	ENT		8	
	A.	AGIS	Could Have Brought Suit In The Northern District Of California	8	
	B.	The Co	ourt Should Not Give Deference To AGIS's Choice of Venue	9	
	C.	All Pri	vate Interest Factors Weigh In Favor of Transfer	10	
		1.	The Relative Ease of Access To Sources of Proof Factor Favors N.D. C		
		2.	The Availability of Compulsory Process To Secure the Attendance of Witnesses Factor Strongly Favors N.D. Cal.	11	
		3.	The Convenience For Witnesses Factor Favors N.D. Cal	12	
		4.	The Local Interests Factor Favors Transfer To N.D. Cal	13	
		5.	All Remaining Factors Are Neutral	14	
V	CONCLI	ISION		14	



## **TABLE OF AUTHORITIES**

Pag	ge(s)
Cases	
In re Acer Am. Corp., 626 F.3d 1252 (Fed. Cir. 2010)	11
In re Apple, Inc., 374 F. App'x 997 (Fed. Cir. 2010)	14
In re Apple, Inc., 581 F. App'x 886 (Fed. Cir. 2014)	12
Beijing Zhongyi Zhongbiao Elec. Info. Tech. v. Microsoft Corp., No. 4:12-cv-4077, 2013 WL 3808009 (W.D. Ark. July 22, 2013)	9, 10
Droplets, Inc. v. Amazon.com, Inc., No. 11-cv-392, 2012 WL 3578605 (E.D. Tex. June 27, 2012)	12
In re Genentech, Inc., 566 F.3d 1338 (Fed. Cir. 2009)	9, 12
Global Equity Management (SA) Pty. Ltd. v. Alibaba.com, Inc., No. 2:15-cv-01702-RWS-RSP (E.D. Tex. Mar. 24, 2017), ECF No. 73	13
Godo Kaisha IP Bridge 1 v. Xilinx, Inc., No. 2:17-cv-00100-JRG-RSP, 2017 WL 4076052 (E.D. Tex. Sept. 14, 2017)	8, 11
Gonzalez v. Social Concepts, Inc., No. 2:14-cv-650-JRG-RSP (E.D. Tex. Mar. 24, 2015), ECF No. 12	12
In re Hoffmann-LaRoche, Inc., 587 F.3d 1333 (Fed. Cir. 2009)	1, 13
<i>In re Horseshoe Ent'mt</i> , 337 F.3d 429 (5th Cir. 2003)	8
J. McIntyre Mach., Ltd. v. Nicastro, 131 S. Ct. 2780 (2011)	8
In re Microsoft Corp., 630 F.3d 1361 (Fed. Cir. 2011)	
In re Nintendo Co., Ltd., 589 F.3d 1194 (Fed. Cir. 2009)	9



Optimum Power Solutions LLC v. Apple, Inc., 794 F. Supp. 2d 696 (E.D. Tex. 2011)	10
Porto Tech. Co., Ltd. v. Samsung Elec. Am., Inc. et al., Case No. 15-cv-00456-JRG-RSP, 2:15-cv-00458-JRG-RSP, 2:15-cv-00459- JRG-RSP, 2:15-cv-00460-JRG-RSP, 2016 WL 937388 (E.D. Tex. Mar. 11, 2016)	13
Regent Markets Grp., Ltd. v. IG Markets, Inc., No. 2:10-cv-42-TJW, 2011 WL 1135123 (E.D. Tex. Mar. 25, 2011)	11
Software Rights Archive, LLC v. Google, Inc., No. 2:07-cv-511, 2010 WL 2950351 (E.D. Tex. July 22, 2010)	13
In re TS Tech USA Corp., 551 F.3d 1315 (Fed. Cir. 2008)	7, 9, 12
In re Volkswagon AG (Volkswagon I), 371 F.3d 201 (5th Cir. 2004)	7, 8
In re Volkswagon of Am., Inc. (Volkswagon II), 545 F.3d 304 (5th Cir. 2008) (en banc)	8, 12
In re Zimmer Holdings, Inc., 609 F.3d 1378 (Fed. Cir. 2010)	14
Zitovault, LLC v. Amazon.com, Inc., No. 6:15-cv-152-JRG, 2015 WL 11089482 (E.D. Tex. Dec. 4, 2015)	10
Statutes	
28 U.S.C. § 1391(c)	8
28 U.S.C. § 1400(b)	8
28 U.S.C. § 1404(a)	1, 7, 8, 12
Other Authorities	
Fed R Civ Proc 45(c)(1)(B)	11



Defendants Huawei Device USA Inc. ("Huawei USA"), Huawei Device Co., Ltd. ("Huawei Device"), and Huawei Device (Dongguan) Co., Ltd. ("Huawei Dongguan") (collectively, the "Huawei Defendants") respectfully move this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a) to transfer this action to the Northern District of California ("N.D. Cal.").

#### I. INTRODUCTION

This action has no meaningful connection to the Eastern District of Texas ("E.D. Tex."). Plaintiff AGIS Software Development, LLC ("AGIS") contends that the Huawei Defendants infringe four related U.S. patents (collectively, the "Patents-in-Suit") based on the inclusion of "Google Maps, Android Device Manager, Find My Phone, Find My Device, Google Messages, Android Messenger, Google Hangouts, Google Plus, and Google Latitude" (the "Accused Applications") on certain Android devices¹ purportedly sold by the Huawei Defendants. (FAC, ¶ 17). The vast majority of these applications were created and provided by third parties — including Google LLC ("Google") — all headquartered in N.D. Cal. And, in particular, Google's documents and witnesses relevant to the design, development and installation of Google's applications are primarily located in N.D. Cal., and not in E.D. Tex.

The Huawei Defendants have no relevant connection to E.D. Tex. with respect to the Accused Devices and/or the Accused Applications. Huawei Device and Huawei Dongguan design and manufacture the Accused Devices, including any installation of Google software on those devices, outside of the United States, and they have no presence whatsoever in E.D. Tex. Although Huawei USA is incorporated in Texas, the Huawei USA employees involved in the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The First Amended Complaint ("FAC") alleges that the following specific Huawei devices are at issue: The Union, Mate 9, Nexus 6P, GX8, and P8lite devices (collectively, the "Accused Devices"). (D.I. 20 ("FAC"), ¶ 17).



# DOCKET

# Explore Litigation Insights



Docket Alarm provides insights to develop a more informed litigation strategy and the peace of mind of knowing you're on top of things.

# **Real-Time Litigation Alerts**



Keep your litigation team up-to-date with **real-time** alerts and advanced team management tools built for the enterprise, all while greatly reducing PACER spend.

Our comprehensive service means we can handle Federal, State, and Administrative courts across the country.

## **Advanced Docket Research**



With over 230 million records, Docket Alarm's cloud-native docket research platform finds what other services can't. Coverage includes Federal, State, plus PTAB, TTAB, ITC and NLRB decisions, all in one place.

Identify arguments that have been successful in the past with full text, pinpoint searching. Link to case law cited within any court document via Fastcase.

## **Analytics At Your Fingertips**



Learn what happened the last time a particular judge, opposing counsel or company faced cases similar to yours.

Advanced out-of-the-box PTAB and TTAB analytics are always at your fingertips.

### API

Docket Alarm offers a powerful API (application programming interface) to developers that want to integrate case filings into their apps.

#### **LAW FIRMS**

Build custom dashboards for your attorneys and clients with live data direct from the court.

Automate many repetitive legal tasks like conflict checks, document management, and marketing.

#### **FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**

Litigation and bankruptcy checks for companies and debtors.

## **E-DISCOVERY AND LEGAL VENDORS**

Sync your system to PACER to automate legal marketing.

