

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

QUEST NETTECH CORPORATION,

Plaintiff,

v.

APPLE, INC.,

Defendant.

§
§
§
§
§
§
§
§
§
§


CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:19-CV-00118-JRG

ORDER

Before the Court is Defendant Apple Inc.'s ("Apple") Unopposed Motion to Extend the Deadline for Filing the Joint Letter Pursuant to the Court's Standing Order Regarding Motions Under 35 U.S.C. § 101 (the "Motion"). (Dkt. No. 21.) Having considered the same, the Court is of the opinion that the Motion should be and hereby is **GRANTED**.

However, the Court notes that the Motion was submitted on the day of the deadline it sought to extend. While true emergencies may at times necessitate such a late filing, the Court finds that last-minute motions to extend deadlines unduly burden the Court and risk compromising a party's rights in the event such a motion is denied. *See* ABA Model Rule 1.3, cmt. 3; *see also* L.R. AT-3(j) ("The court is not bound to accept agreements of counsel to extend deadlines imposed by rule or court order."). Accordingly, the Court **ORDERS** that any future motions to extend deadlines shall be filed no later than three (3) business days before the earliest deadline for which extension is sought or shall state good cause why the motion could not be filed by such time.

So ORDERED and SIGNED this 3rd day of July, 2019.



RODNEY GILSTRAP
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE