IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA RICHMOND DIVISION

SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO., LTD. and SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS AMERICA, INC., Plaintiffs,)))) Civil Action No. 3:14-cv-757-REP
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NVIDIA CORPORATION, VELOCITY MICRO, INC. D/B/A VELOCITY MICRO, AND VELOCITY HOLDINGS, LLC,))))
Defendants.	

REPLY IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO TRANSFER VENUE PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a), SEVER, AND STAY



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INTRODUCTION

Samsung's opposition is notable for what it does not dispute. Samsung does not dispute that NVIDIA identified 16 witnesses (and two inventors of the asserted patents and nine inventors of relevant prior art) located in the Northern District of California; that all of NVIDIA's sources of proof are located in the Northern District of California; that NVIDIA's accused products are primarily designed, developed, and manufactured in the Northern District of California; or that NVIDIA will incur great expense for travel, meal, and lodging costs should the case against it remain in Virginia. Nor does Samsung dispute that Virginia is not its home forum or that it could have filed its case against NVIDIA in the Northern District of California. Samsung's opposition is also notable for its failure to identify a single one of its witnesses that resides in (or even near) Virginia or even allege that the Eastern District of Virginia is somehow more convenient than the Northern District of California. Because Samsung cannot demonstrate any fact that would make Virginia a more convenient forum than California for the case against NVIDIA, the six patents asserted against NVIDIA should be transferred to California.

The evidence that Samsung's opposition does marshal is legally irrelevant to NVIDIA'S transfer motion. Samsung points to the location of the prosecuting attorneys as reason to keep the case against NVIDIA in Virginia, but there are no claims that would require their testimony. NVIDIA has not asserted an inequitable conduct defense and Samsung has not asserted any claims that would require their testimony or identified a reason why it purportedly needs their testimony. The prosecuting attorneys are presently irrelevant to this case. Samsung also claims that its Virginia state law advertising claim should remain in Virginia, but the law is well-settled that state law claims cannot be the determinative factor in resolving transfer motions; federal courts, including those in California, are familiar with applying the laws of other states because of the choice of laws analysis in diversity cases.



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