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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GROUPON, INCORPORATED,
Petitioner,

v.

ONLINE NEWS LINK LLC,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2014-01327
Patent 8,457,545 B2

Before HOWARD B. BLANKENSHIP, GLENN J. PERRY, and GREGG I. ANDERSON, *Administrative Patent Judges.*

ANDERSON, *Administrative Patent Judge.*

ORDER
Termination of Proceeding
*37 C.F.R. § 42.72*

On December 18, 2014, and pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74, the parties filed a true copy of a settlement agreement along with a joint request to treat the settlement agreement as business confidential, to be kept separate from the patent file. In addition, the parties filed a joint motion to terminate the proceeding pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317.

This case is in the preliminary proceeding[1] stage; no institution of a trial has been made. Based on the facts of this case, it is appropriate to enter judgment.[2] Therefore, the joint motion to terminate the proceeding is *granted*.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the parties' joint request that the settlement agreement be treated as business confidential information, to be kept separate from the patent file is *granted*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the joint motion to terminate the proceeding is *granted*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the proceeding is *terminated.*

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[1] A preliminary proceeding begins with the filing of a petition for instituting a trial and ends with a written decision as to whether a trial will be instituted. 37 C.F.R. § 42.2.

[2] A judgment means a final written decision by the Board, or a termination of a proceeding. 37 C.F.R. § 42.2.

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