

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SAMSUNG TECHWIN AMERICA,
Petitioner,

v.

TROVER GROUP, INC.,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2015-01296 (Patent No. 5,751,346)
Case IPR2015-01298 (Patent No. 5,751,345)

Before JEREMY M. PLENZLER, CHRISTOPHER L. CRUMBLEY, and
PETER P. CHEN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

CRUMBLEY, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER
Dismissing the Petitions
37 C.F.R. §§ 42.5(a), 42.71(a)

On August 14, 2015, pursuant to Board authorization, Petitioner Samsung Techwin America and Patent Owner Trover Group, Inc. filed Joint Motions to Terminate these related proceedings. IPR2015-01296, Paper 10;

IPR2015-01296 (Patent No. 5,751,346)

IPR2015-01298 (Patent No. 5,751,345)

IPR2015-01298, Paper 7; (collectively, “Mot.”). With the Joint Motions, the parties filed copies of a written settlement agreement between them, and Joint Requests to Keep Separate, seeking to have the settlement agreement treated as confidential business information under 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c). IPR2015-01296, Ex. 1011, Paper 11; IPR2015-01298, Ex. 1010, Paper 8.

These proceedings are in their initial stages; the Board has not yet decided the merits of the Petitions. The parties indicate that they have agreed to resolve their dispute related to the challenged patents. Mot. 1. Under these circumstances, we determine that it is appropriate to dismiss the petitions and decline to institute trial. *See* 35 U.S.C. § 314; 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.5(a), 42.71(a). This paper does not constitute a final written decision pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 318(a).

In light of the foregoing, it is

ORDERED that the Joint Motions to Terminate (IPR2015-01296, Paper 10; IPR2015-01298, Paper 7) are *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that the Petitions (IPR2015-01296, Paper 2; IPR2015-01298, Paper 2) are *dismissed*;

FURTHER ORDERED that no trial is instituted; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the parties’ Joint Requests (IPR2015-01296, Paper 11; IPR2015-01298, Paper 8) to have their settlement agreement (IPR2015-01296, Ex. 1011; IPR2015-01298, Ex. 1010) treated as business confidential information, to be kept separate from the patent file, are *granted*.

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