

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

PARSONS XTREME GOLF, LLC,
Petitioner,

v.

TAYLOR MADE GOLF COMPANY, INC.,
Patent Owner.

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IPR2018-00540 (Patent 8,353,785 B2) IPR2018-01729 (Patent 7,261,646 B2)
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Before JOSIAH C. COCKS, BENJAMIN D. M. WOOD, NEIL T. POWELL,
JAMES A. TARTAL, TIMOTHY J. GOODSON, SCOTT C. MOORE, and
ALYSSA A. FINAMORE, *Administrative Patent Judges*.¹

MOORE, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER

Terminating Trials and Dismissing Petitions

35 U.S.C. §§ 317(a), 327(a); 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.71(a), 42.72, 42.74(b)

Granting Joint Requests to Treat Settlement Agreement
as Business Confidential Information

35 U.S.C. §§ 317(b), 327(b); 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c)

¹ This Order applies to all of the listed cases. The caption page lists all judges who are assigned to any of these cases, but this is not an indication that any panel has been expanded. The panels assigned to each case remain unchanged.

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Pursuant to our e-mail authorization on January 29, 2019, the parties filed in each of the above-captioned proceedings a Joint Motion to Terminate or a Joint Motion to Dismiss (“Joint Motion”) (see Appendix), and a Joint Request to File Settlement Agreement as Business Confidential Information (“Joint Request”) (see *id.*). Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(b), the parties also filed a copy of a written settlement and license agreement (“Settlement Agreement”) in each proceeding (see Appendix).

The parties represent in their Joint Motions that they have settled their disputes and memorialized their settlement in the written Settlement Agreement submitted in each case. *E.g.*, PGR2018-00074, Paper 11, 1. In each Joint Motion, the parties also represent that the Settlement Agreement resolves all disputes between the parties in the above-captioned proceedings and the related lawsuits. *Id.* The parties certify that the Settlement Agreement constitutes the entire understanding and agreement between the Parties, and that there are no other collateral agreements or understandings made in connection with, or in contemplation of, terminating or dismissing these proceedings. *Id.* at 4–5.

These proceedings are at different stages. In some cases, institution decisions already have issued, while other cases remain in the pre-institution phase. We have not rendered a final written decision on the merits in any of these proceedings.

There are strong public policy reasons to favor settlement between the parties to a proceeding. *Office Patent Trial Practice Guide*, 77 Fed. Reg. 48,756,

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48,768 (Aug. 14, 2012). In the circumstances present here, we determine that it is appropriate to terminate or dismiss these proceedings without rendering a final written decision. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.72.

We also grant the requests to treat the Settlement Agreement filed in each case as business confidential information, as authorized under 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c).

Accordingly, it is:

ORDERED that the Joint Motion to Terminate in each of the following proceedings is *granted*, and these proceedings are hereby TERMINATED:

PGR2018-00074, Paper 11,
IPR2018-00516, Paper 29,
IPR2018-00540, Paper 25,
IPR2018-00675, Paper 56,
IPR2018-00702, Paper 55,
IPR2018-00768, Paper 49,
IPR2018-00769, Paper 48,
IPR2018-00826, Paper 49,
IPR2018-00891, Paper 18,
IPR2018-00915, Paper 18,
IPR2018-00925, Paper 20, and
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FURTHER ORDERED that the Joint Motion to Dismiss in each of the following proceedings is *granted*, and the petitions are DISMISSED:

IPR2018-01542, Paper 11,
 IPR2018-01681, Paper 11,
 IPR2018-01729, Paper 10,
 IPR2018-01731, Paper 10,
 IPR2019-00116, Paper 8,
 IPR2019-00126, Paper 9,
 IPR2019-00260, Paper 8, and
 IPR2019-00363, Paper 9; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the Joint Request to File Settlement Agreement as Business Confidential Information in each of the following proceedings is *granted*, that the Settlement Agreement remain designated as “Parties and Board Only” in Board’s filing system, and that the Settlement Agreement be kept separate from the files of the related patent:

PGR2018-00074 (Paper 9; Ex. 2109),
 IPR2018-00516 (Paper 30; Ex. 2109),
 IPR2018-00540 (Paper 26; Ex. 2109),
 IPR2018-00675 (Paper 57; Ex. 1109),
 IPR2018-00702 (Paper 56; Ex. 1109),
 IPR2018-00768 (Paper 47; Ex. 1109),
 IPR2018-00769 (Paper 46; Ex. 1109),

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APPENDIX

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