

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

APPLE INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

ZENTIAN LIMITED,
Patent Owner.

IPR2023-00033 (Patent 7,587,319 B2)
IPR2023-00034 (Patent 7,979,277 B2)
IPR2023-00035 (Patent 10,062,377 B2)
IPR2023-00036 (Patent 10,839,789 B2)
IPR2023-00037 (Patent 10,971,140 B2)¹

Before KEVIN F. TURNER, JEFFREY S. SMITH, and
CHRISTOPHER L. OGDEN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

OGDEN, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER
Granting Patent Owner's Motion
for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Kayvan B. Noroozi
37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c)

¹ This Order addresses the same issue for the above-identified proceedings. Therefore, we exercise our discretion to issue one order to be filed in each proceeding. The parties, however, are not authorized to use this style of heading in any subsequent papers.

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Patent Owner filed motions for admission *pro hac vice* of Kayvan B. Noroozi in the above-identified proceedings. Paper 7 (“Motion”).² Patent Owner also filed a declarations of Mr. Noroozi in support of the motions. Ex. 2001 (“Declaration”). Patent Owner represents that Petitioner does not oppose the motions. Motion 1. For the reasons discussed below, the motions are granted.

Under 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c), we may recognize *pro hac vice* counsel during a proceeding upon a showing of good cause, so long as lead counsel be a registered practitioner. The Board requires a statement of facts showing there is good cause for us to recognize counsel *pro hac vice* and an affidavit or declaration of the individual seeking to appear. *See Unified Patents, Inc. v. Parallel Iron, LLC*, IPR2013-00639, Paper 7 (PTAB Oct. 15, 2013) (representative “Order – Authorizing Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission”).

Based on the facts set forth in the motions and accompanying declarations, we conclude that Mr. Noroozi has sufficient legal and technical qualifications to represent Patent Owner in the above-identified proceedings, that Mr. Noroozi has demonstrated sufficient litigation experience and familiarity with the subject matter of the proceedings, and that Mr. Noroozi meets all other requirements for admission *pro hac vice*. Accordingly, Patent Owner has established good cause for admission *pro hac vice* of Mr.

² We cite to Papers and Exhibits filed in IPR2023-00033. Similar Papers and Exhibits were filed in IPR2023-00034, IPR2023-00035, IPR2023-00036, and IPR2023-00037.

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Noroozi. Mr. Noroozi will be permitted to serve as back-up counsel only.
See 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c).

As required, Patent Owner's Powers of Attorney identify Mr. Noroozi as *Pro Hac Vice* counsel (Paper 5, 1) and Patent Owner's Mandatory Notices also identify Mr. Noroozi as *Pro Hac Vice*, back-up counsel (Paper 4, 1–2).

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that Patent Owner's motions for *pro hac vice* admission of Mr. Noroozi in the above-identified proceedings are granted;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Noroozi is authorized to represent Patent Owner only as back-up counsel in the above-identified proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner is to continue to have a registered practitioner represent it as lead counsel in the above-identified proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Noroozi is to comply with the Consolidated Trial Practice Guide³ (84 Fed. Reg. 64,280 (Nov. 21, 2019)), and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials, as set forth in Part 42 of 37 C.F.R.; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Noroozi shall be subject to the Office's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a), and the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et. seq.*

³ Available at <https://www.uspto.gov/TrialPracticeGuideConsolidated>.

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