

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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APPLE INC.,  
Petitioner,

v.

SPEIR TECHNOLOGIES LTD.,  
Patent Owner.

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IPR2022-01512 (Patent 7,321,777 B2)  
IPR2023-00151 (Patent 7,110,779 B2)<sup>1</sup>

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Before BARBARA A. PARVIS, SHEILA F. McSHANE, and  
SCOTT RAEVSKY, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

PER CURIAM.

ORDER

Granting Patent Owner's Unopposed Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of  
John Petrsoric  
*37 C.F.R. § 42.10*

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<sup>1</sup> This Order addresses issues that are the same in all identified cases. We exercise our discretion to issue one Order to be filed in each case. The parties, however, are not authorized to use this style heading in subsequent papers.

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Speir Technologies Ltd. (“Patent Owner”) filed a motion for *pro hac vice* admission of John Petrsoric in each of the above-listed proceedings (“Motions”). Paper 14.<sup>2</sup> Patent Owner also filed supporting declarations from Mr. Petrsoric. Ex. 2007. Patent Owner states that the Motions are unopposed. Paper 14, 1.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c), the Board may recognize counsel *pro hac vice* during a proceeding upon a showing of good cause, subject to the condition that lead counsel be a registered practitioner. In its notice authorizing motions for *pro hac vice* admission, the Board requires a statement of facts showing there is good cause for the Board to recognize counsel *pro hac vice*, and an affidavit or declaration of the individual seeking to appear in this proceeding. 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”).

The Board has reviewed the submissions and determined that the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 42.10 have been met, and that there is good cause to admit Mr. Petrsoric *pro hac vice*.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED that the Motions for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of John Petrsoric are *granted* and Mr. Petrsoric is authorized to represent Patent Owner only as back-up counsel in the above-listed proceedings;

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<sup>2</sup> All citations are to IPR2022-01512 with the understanding that the other proceeding includes papers having substantially the same content.

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FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner must file updated mandatory notices identifying Mr. Petrsoric as back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3);

FURTHER ORDERED that a registered practitioner will continue to represent Patent Owner as lead counsel in the above-listed proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Petrsoric shall comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide, as updated by the Consolidated Office Patent Trial Practice Guide (84 Fed. Reg. 64,280 (Nov. 21, 2019)) and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials, as set forth in Part 42 of Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations; and

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

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