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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GOOGLE LLC,
Petitioner,

v.

DDC TECHNOLOGY, LLC,
Patent Owner.

IPR2023-00707 (Patent 9,420,075 B2)
IPR2023-00708 (Patent 9,811,184 B2)
IPR2023-00709 (Patent 10,528,199 B2)
IPR2023-00711 (Patent 11,093,001 B1)[1]

Before KALYAN K. DESHPANDE, *Vice Chief Administrative Patent Judge*, SHEILA F. MCSHANE, MICHAEL T. CYGAN, and JULIET MITCHELL DIRBA, *Administrative Patent Judges*.[2]

DIRBA, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER
Granting Patent Owner's Motion for Withdrawal of Counsel
37 C.F.R. § 42.10

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[1] This Decision addresses an issue that is identical in all four proceedings, so we exercise our discretion to issue one Order to be docketed in each proceeding. The parties are not authorized to use this caption.

[2] This is not an expanded panel of the Board; rather, the listed judges are paneled in various groups in these proceedings.

On January 16, 2024, with our prior authorization, DDC Technology, LLC ("Patent Owner") filed a Motion for Withdrawal of Counsel in each of the above-captioned proceedings. Paper 46 ("Motion" or "Mot.").[3] Patent Owner requests that Robert Brunelli be permitted to withdraw as back-up counsel from these proceedings. *Id.* at 1. Patent Owner seeks to designate Timothy J. Haller as new back-up counsel. *Id.* In addition, Patent Owner represents that the "withdrawal will not cause any material prejudice to any party or any delay in th[ese] proceeding[s]." *Id.* Patent Owner also represents that the Motion is unopposed. *Id*.

Counsel may withdraw from an *inter partes* review proceeding only with Board authorization. 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e). Upon review of the record before us, we grant Patent Owner's Motion.

Patent Owner has filed updated mandatory notices and an updated power of attorney that identify Mr. Haller as back-up counsel (Paper 44; Paper 45, 5); however, Mr. Brunelli is still identified as back-up counsel in these papers (*id.*). Patent Owner should timely file updated mandatory notices and an updated power of attorney that correctly reflect its current counsel of record in this proceeding.

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[3] We cite only to the papers in IPR2023-00707, but substantially similar papers were filed in each of the proceedings.

Accordingly, it is:

ORDERED that Patent Owner's Motion for Withdrawal of Counsel (IPR2023-00707, Paper 46; IPR2023-00708, Paper 48; IPR2023-00709, Paper 44; IPR2023-00711, Paper 44) is *granted* and Mr. Brunelli is withdrawn from these proceedings.

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