

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

ASSA ABLOY GLOBAL SOLUTIONS, INC., HID GLOBAL CORP.,
Petitioner,

v.

URBAN INTEL INC.,
Patent Owner.

IPR2023-00815 (Patent 9,373,205 B2)
IPR2023-00816 (Patent 10,657,747 B2)
IPR2023-00817 (Patent 11,373,474 B2)¹

Before KARL D. EASTHOM, BARBARA A. BENOIT, and
PHILLIP A. BENNETT, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

EASTHOM, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION
Settlement Prior to Institution of Trial
37 C.F.R. § 42.74

¹ This Decision addresses issues that are the same in each of the identified proceedings. The parties must obtain prior authorization to use this heading style.

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I. INTRODUCTION

On December 12, 2023, with Board authorization, the parties filed a Joint Motion to Terminate Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.72 and 42.74 in the above-identified proceedings due to settlement. Paper 12 (“Joint Termination Motion”).² The parties also filed a settlement document in each proceeding (“Settlement Agreement”). Ex. 2011. The parties also filed a Joint Motion to File Settlement Agreement as Business Confidential Information Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c) in each proceeding. Paper 13 (“Joint Filing Motion”).

II. DISCUSSION

The parties’ Joint Termination Motion states that the parties “submit a true and correct copy of that confidential settlement agreement to the Board as Confidential Exhibit 2011, through the concurrently filed Joint [Filing Motion].” Paper 12, 2. In addition, the parties jointly certify that the “parties . . . have settled their dispute” and “there are no collateral agreements.” *Id.*.

These proceedings are at an early stage, prior to any decision as to whether to institute a trial in each proceeding. In view of the early stage of the proceedings and the settlement between the parties, we determine that it is appropriate to dismiss the Petitions in each proceeding and terminate the proceedings. Further, after reviewing the parties’ Settlement Agreement, we find that it contains confidential business information regarding the terms of settlement, and good cause exists to treat it as business confidential

² The parties filed materially identical Papers and Exhibits in the three proceedings. Citations are to IPR2023-00815.

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information and to keep it separate from the file of each patent in the above-captioned proceedings pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c). This Decision is not a final written decision under 35 U.S.C. § 318(a).

III. ORDER

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that in each proceeding, the Joint Termination Motion to terminate the respective above-identified proceeding is *granted* and the Petition is *dismissed*, and each proceeding is *terminated*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that in each proceeding the Joint Filing Motion is *granted* and the Settlement Agreement shall be kept separate from the file of the respective above-captioned proceeding and available only to Federal Government agencies on written request, or to any person on a showing of good cause, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c).

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