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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

TESLA, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

AUTONOMOUS DEVICES, LLC,
Patent Owner.

IPR2023-01054 (Patent 10,452,974 B1)
IPR2023-01055 (Patent 11,238,344 B1)
IPR2023-01169 (Patent 10,607,134 B1)
IPR2023-01170 (Patent 10,102,449 B1)
IPR2023-01171 (Patent 11,113,585 B1)
IPR2023-01172 (Patent 11,055,583 B1)
IPR2023-01173 (Patent 11,055,583 B1)

Before BARBARA A. PARVIS, ROBERT J. WEINSCHENK, and RUSSELL E. CASS, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

PER CURIAM.

ORDER[1]
Determinations on Petitioner's Motions for Withdrawal and Substitution of Counsel
37 C.F.R. § 42.10

[1] The combined caption is for administrative convenience only and does not indicate that IPR2023-01054, IPR2023-01055, IPR2023-01169, IPR2023-01170, IPR2023-01171, IPR2023-01172, and IPR2023-01173 have been joined. The parties are not authorized to use this caption without express permission of the Board.

On October 30, 2023, Tesla, Inc. ("Petitioner") filed, in each of the above-identified proceedings, Motions to Withdraw and Substitute Counsel ("Motions") requesting withdrawal of lead counsel Anish Desai and back-up counsel Adrian Percer, Christopher Pepe, Matthew Sieger, Ian Moore, Taylor J. Lawrence, and Allison D. Herzig. IPR2023-01054, Paper 18; IPR2023-01055, Paper 18; IPR2023-01169, Paper 15; IPR2023-01170, Paper 14; IPR2023-01171, Paper 15; IPR2023-01172, Paper 16; IPR2023-01173, Paper 16. The Motions also request the substitution of lead counsel W. Karl Renner (Reg. No. 41,265) and back-up counsel Nicholas W. Stephens (Reg. No. 74,320). *Id.* Petitioner represents that Patent Owner does not oppose the Motions. *Id.*

As an initial matter, the IPR2023-01170 and IPR2023-01171 proceedings have been terminated. Petitioner's Motions in those proceedings are *dismissed* as moot.

Regarding the remaining Motions, upon review of the record before us, for the reasons set forth in the Motions, Petitioner's requests to withdraw Anish Desai, Adrian Percer, Christopher Pepe, Matthew Sieger, Ian Moore, Taylor J. Lawrence, and Allison D. Herzig, and substitute W. Karl Renner as lead counsel and Nicholas W. Stephens as back-up counsel in the IPR2023-01054, IPR2023-01055, IPR2023-01169, IPR2023-01172, and IPR2023-01173 proceedings are *granted*.

Petitioner has filed Powers of Attorney including W. Karl Renner and Nicholas W. Stephens in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(b). IPR2023-

01054, Paper 17; IPR2023-01055, Paper 17; IPR2023-01169, Paper 14; IPR2023-01172, Paper 15; and IPR2023-01173, Paper 15. Petitioner has also filed Mandatory Notices identifying W. Karl Renner as lead counsel, and Nicholas W. Stephens as back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3). IPR2023-01054, Paper 16; IPR2023-01055, Paper 16; IPR2023-01169, Paper 13; IPR2023-01172, Paper 14; and IPR2023-01173, Paper 14.

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby:

ORDERED that Petitioner's Motions to Withdraw in IPR2023-01054 (Paper 18), IPR2023-01055 (Paper 18), IPR2023-01169 (Paper 15), IPR2023-01172 (Paper 16), and IPR2023-01173 (Paper 16) are *granted* and Anish Desai, Adrian Percer, Christopher Pepe, Matthew Sieger, Ian Moore, Taylor J. Lawrence, and Allison D. Herzig are withdrawn as counsel in those proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner's Motions to Withdraw in IPR2023-01170 (Paper 14) and IPR2023-01171 (Paper 15) are *dismissed*;

FURTHER ORDERED that W. Karl Renner is recognized as lead counsel for Petitioner in IPR2023-01054, IPR2023-01055, IPR2023-01169, IPR2023-01172, and IPR2023-01173, effective as of October 30, 2023; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Nicholas W. Stephens is recognized as back-up counsel for Petitioner in IPR2023-01054, IPR2023-01055, IPR2023-01169, IPR2023-01172, and IPR2023-01173, effective as of October 30, 2023.

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