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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

TURNSIGNL, INC. and TURNSIGNL FOUNDATION,
Petitioner,

v.

REDMON JEANG LLC,
Patent Owner.

IPR2024-00102 (Patent 12,443,395 B2)
IPR2024-00103 (Patent 11,494,861 B2)
IPR2024-00104 (Patent 11,494,862 B2)[1]

Before JENNIFER S. BISK, MICHELLE N. WORMMEESTER, and ANDREW L. NALVEN, Administrative Patent Judges.

BISK, Administrative Patent Judge.

ORDER
Granting Petitioner's Motions for *Pro Hac Vice*
Admission of Juanita DeLoach
37 C.F.R. § 42.10

[1] This Order addresses issues that are the same in each case. 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.

On November 28, 2023, Petitioner filed a motion for *pro hac vice* admission of Dr. Juanita DeLoach in each of the above-identified proceedings (collectively, "Motions"). Paper 5.[2] Petitioner also filed declarations from Dr. DeLoach in support of the Motions (collectively, "Declarations"). Ex. 1046.[3]

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* Paper 4, 2 (citing *Unified Patents, Inc. v. Parallel Iron, LLC*, IPR2013-00639, Paper 7 (PTAB Oct. 15, 2013) ("Order – Authorizing Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission") ("*Unified Patents*")).

Based on the facts set forth in the Motions and the accompanying Declarations, we conclude that Dr. DeLoach has sufficient legal and technical qualifications to represent Petitioner in these proceedings, that Dr. DeLoach has demonstrated sufficient litigation experience and familiarity with the subject matter of these proceedings, and that Dr. DeLoach meets all other requirements for admission *pro hac vice*. Accordingly, Petitioner has established good cause for *pro hac vice* admission of Dr. DeLoach.

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[2] We refer to Papers filed in IPR2024-00102. Petitioner filed similar Motions in each of the above-listed proceedings.
[3] We refer to Exhibits filed in IPR2024-00102. Petitioner filed similar Declarations in each of the above-listed proceedings.

Upon review of the record before us, we note that Powers of Attorney in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(b) have been submitted for Dr. DeLoach. Petitioner, however, has not filed updated mandatory notices identifying Dr. DeLoach as back-up attorney. Therefore, Petitioner must file updated mandatory notices identifying Dr. DeLoach as back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3).

Accordingly, it is:

ORDERED that Petitioner's Motions for *pro hac vice* admission of Juanita DeLoach are *granted*;

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

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

FURTHER ORDERED that Dr. DeLoach is authorized to represent Petitioner as back-up counsel only in the above-identified proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Dr. DeLoach is to comply with the Patent Trial and Appeal Board's Consolidated Trial Practice Guide[4] (November 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 Dr. DeLoach shall be subject to the Office's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a), and the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct under 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et seq*.

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[4] Available at https://www.uspto.gov/TrialPracticeGuideConsolidated.

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