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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

HANSHOW AMERICA INC. and
HANSHOW TECHNOLOGY CO., LTD.,
Petitioner,

v.

SES-IMAGOTAG GMBH,
Patent Owner.

IPR2024-00188 (Patent 11,405,669 B2)
IPR2024-00189 (Patent 10,674,340 B2)
IPR2024-00208 (Patent 11,010,709 B2)

Before JAMES P. CALVE, BRIAN J. McNAMARA, and TERRENCE W. McMILLIN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

McMILLIN, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER[1]
Granting Patent Owner's Motions for
Pro Hac Vice Admission of Grant E. Kinsel
37 C.F.R. § 42.10

[1] The combined caption is for administrative convenience only and does not indicate that IPR2024-00188, IPR2024-00189, and IPR2024-00208 have been joined. The parties are not authorized to use this caption without express permission of the Board.

On October 25, 2024, Patent Owner filed motions requesting *pro hac vice* admission of Grant E. Kinsel in each of the above-identified proceedings (collectively "Motions"). Paper 24.[2] Patent Owner also submitted Affidavits from Grant E. Kinsel in support of the Motions (collectively "Affidavits"). Ex. 2006.[3] Petitioner has not indicated any opposition to the Motions.

For the reasons provided below, Patent Owner's Motions are *granted*.

In accordance with 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 authorizing a motion for *pro hac vice* admission, the Board requires the moving party to provide 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 the proceeding. *See Unified Patents, Inc. v. Parallel Iron, LLC*, IPR2013-00639 (PTAB Oct. 15, 2013) (Paper 7) (representative "Order – Authorizing Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission").

Based on the facts set forth in the Motions and the accompanying Affidavits, we conclude that Mr. Kinsel has sufficient legal and technical qualifications to represent Patent Owner in these proceedings, has demonstrated sufficient litigation experience and familiarity with the subject matter of these proceedings, and meets all other requirements for admission

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[2] For purposes of expediency, we cite to Papers filed in IPR2024-00188. Petitioner filed a similar Motion in IPR2024-00189 (Paper 22) and IPR2024-00208 (Paper 27).

[3] We cite to Exhibits filed in IPR2024-00188. Petitioner filed a similar Affidavit in IPR2024-00189 (Ex. 2027) and IPR2024-00208 (Ex. 2027).

pro hac vice. *See* Ex. 2006. Accordingly, Patent Owner has established good cause for *pro hac vice* admission of Mr. Kinsel. Mr. Kinsel will be permitted to serve as back-up counsel only. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c).

We note that Patent Owner filed a Power of Attorney including Mr. Kinsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(b). Patent Owner has also filed updated Mandatory Notices identifying Mr. Kinsel as back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3).

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED that Patent Owner's Motions for *pro hac vice* admission of Grant E. Kinsel are *granted*;

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

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Kinsel is authorized to represent Patent Owner as back-up counsel only in the above-identified proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Kinsel be familiar with the Patent Trial and Appeal Board Consolidated Trial Practice Guide[4] (84 Fed. Reg. 64,280 (Nov. 21, 2019)), and comply with 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. Kinsel is subject to the Office's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a), and the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et. seq.*

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

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