

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS, INC.,

Petitioner,

v.

SEMICONDUCTOR DESIGN TECHNOLOGIES, LLC,

Patent Owner.

IPR2024-00356

U.S. Patent No. 7,603,636

**JOINT REQUEST TO KEEP AGREEMENT BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL
AND SEPARATE PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. § 317 AND 37 C.F.R. § 42.74**

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c), Petitioner Cadence Design Systems, Inc. and Patent Owner Semiconductor Design Technologies, LLC jointly request that Exhibit 1040, which is a true copy of the parties' written agreement that contemplates the termination of this proceeding, be treated as business confidential information and be kept separate from the files of the patent at issue in this proceeding. The parties received authorization from the Board to file this Request on July 23, 2024.

Concurrently with the filing of this Request, the parties are filing a Joint Motion to Terminate this *inter partes* review due to the settlement between the parties.

The parties consider the written settlement agreement (Exhibit 1040) to contain highly sensitive business confidential information that would substantially harm their business interests if publicly disclosed. As such, the parties hereby jointly request that the written settlement agreement (Exhibit 1040) be kept as a separate paper to be made available only under the provisions of 35 U.S.C § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c). The parties hereby certify that, to the best of their knowledge, Exhibit 1040 has not been made publicly available. The settlement agreement has been filed for access by the "Parties and Board Only."

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on July 23, 2024, a complete copy of the foregoing Joint Request to Keep Agreement Business Confidential and Separate was served via email to the attorneys of record for the Patent Owner as follows:

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