

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO., LTD.,
Petitioner,

v.

ASUS TECHNOLOGY LICENSING INC.,
Patent Owner.

IPR2024-01036 (Patent 11,291,052 B2)
IPR2024-01217 (Patent 10,104,658 B2)
IPR2024-01246 (Patent 10,986,585 B2)
IPR2024-01273 (Patent 10,785,759 B2)¹

Before JOSIAH C. COCKS, THOMAS L. GIANNETTI,
CHRISTOPHER L. OGDEN, and BACH V. HOANG,
*Administrative Patent Judges.*²

HOANG, *Administrative Patent Judge.*

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

¹ This Order addresses issues that are the same in all identified proceedings. We exercise our discretion to issue one Order to be filed in each proceeding. The parties, however, are not authorized to use this style heading in subsequent papers.

² This is not an expanded panel. Each of the listed judges is part of a three-judge panel assigned to one or more of the involved proceedings.

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I. INTRODUCTION

On January 14, 2025, pursuant to our e-mail authorization, Petitioner and Patent Owner (“Parties”) filed a Joint Motion to Terminate in each of the above-identified proceedings (“Motions”). Paper 10.³ Along with the Motions, the Parties filed a copy of a Settlement and License Agreement in each of the above-identified proceedings (“Settlement Agreements”). Ex. 1023.⁴ The Parties also filed a Joint Request that the Settlement Agreement be treated as be treated as business confidential information and kept separate from the file of the involved patent and be pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c) in each of the above-identified proceedings (“Joint Requests”). Paper 11.⁵

II. DISCUSSION

In the Motions, the Parties represent that they have reached an agreement to jointly seek termination of the above-identified *inter partes* review proceedings, the Settlement Agreements constitute the entire understanding and agreement between the Parties, and true copies of the Settlement Agreements have been filed. Paper 10, 1. The Parties further represent that the Settlement Agreements resolve all currently pending

³ Citations are to Papers and Exhibits filed in IPR2024-01036, unless otherwise indicated. Parties filed similar papers in IPR2024-01217 (Paper 7), IPR2024-01246 (Paper 8), and IPR2024-01273 (Paper 9).

⁴ Parties filed similar exhibits in IPR2024-01217 (Ex. 1018), IPR2024-01246 (Ex. 1021), and IPR2024-01273 (Ex. 1017).

⁵ Parties filed similar papers in IPR2024-01217 (Paper 8), IPR2024-01246 (Paper 9), and IPR2024-01273 (Paper 10).

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Patent Office and District Court proceedings between the Parties involving the challenged patents. *See id.* at 2–3.

These proceedings are at an early stage, and we have not yet instituted a trial in any the proceedings. In view of the early stage of the proceedings and the settlement between the Parties, we determine that good cause exists to terminate the proceedings with respect to the Parties.

The Parties also filed Joint Requests that the Settlement Agreements be treated as business confidential information and be kept separate from the file of the patent involved in these *inter partes* proceedings. Paper 11. After reviewing the Settlement Agreements between Petitioner and Patent Owner, we determine that good cause exists to treat the Settlement Agreements as business confidential information pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c).

This Order does not constitute a final written decision pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 318(a).

III. ORDER

It is:

ORDERED that the Joint Motions to Terminate the above-identified proceedings are *granted* and the above-identified proceedings are *terminated*;

FURTHER ORDERED that the Joint Requests that the Settlement Agreements be treated as be treated as business confidential information and kept separate are *granted*, and the Settlement Agreements shall be kept separate from the files of Patent 11,291,052 B2, Patent 10,104,658 B2,

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Patent 10,986,585 B2, and Patent 10,785,759 B2, and made available only to Federal Government agencies on written request, or to any person on a showing of good cause, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c).

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