UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

BOE TECHNOLOGY GROUP CO., LTD.,
Petitioner,

v.

OPTRONIC SCIENCES LLC,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2024-01130
U.S. Patent No. 7,168,842

DECLARATION OF PAUL A. KROEGER IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR *PRO HAC VICE* ADMISSION OF PAUL A. KROEGER ON BEHALF OF PATENT OWNER OPTRONIC SCIENCES LLC

I, Paul A. Kroeger, do hereby declare:

1. I am a partner at the firm of Russ August & Kabat and work at the office located at 12424 Wilshire Boulevard, 12th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90025.

2. I am a member in good standing of the State Bar of California since 2004. My State Bar Number in California is CA SBN 229074.

3. I have not been suspended or disbarred from practice before any court or administrative body.

4. I have never had an application for admission to practice before any court or administrative body denied.

5. No sanction or contempt citation has been imposed against me by any court or administrative body. Excluding minor traffic violations, I have not been charged, arrested, or convicted of any criminal offense.

6. I have read and will comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials set forth in Part 42 of Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations.

7. I acknowledge that I will be subject to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C. F. R. § § 11.101, et seq. and to the Office's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a).

8. During the last three years, I have applied to appear *pro hac vice* in six (6) proceedings before the Office: (1) *Nokia of America Corporation v. Alexander*

and Walter Soto, IPR2023-00960; (2) *Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. etc. v, Resonant Systems, Inc.*, IPR2023-00992; (3) *Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. etc. v, Resonant Systems, Inc.*, IPR2023-00993; (4) *Western Digital Technologies, Inc. v. Longitude Licensing Limited,* IPR2023-01200; (5) *Western Digital Technologies, Inc. v. Longitude Licensing Limited,* IPR2023-01230; and (6) *Western Digital Technologies, Inc. v. Longitude Licensing Limited,* IPR2023-01286. The Office granted these motions to appear *pro hac vice*.

9. I am an experienced patent litigation attorney. I have practiced patent litigation since 2004 and litigated numerous patent litigation matters in the U.S. district courts. For example, my experience includes significant roles in several different jury trials concerning issues of patent infringement, validity, and damages.

10. I represent Patent Owner Optronic Sciences LLC as an attorney in co-pending litigation in which U.S. Patent 7,168,842 is asserted against Petitioner BOE. I have an established familiarity with the subject matter in this proceeding as a result of my role in the infringement contentions and responses to Petitioner's invalidity defenses, which overlap to a significant extent with the issues presented in this IPR proceeding.

11. I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements

and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: March 28, 2025

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