

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

AVANOS MEDICAL, INC.,

Petitioner,

v.

STRATUS MEDICAL, LLC,

Patent Owner.

IPR2024-01209 (Patent 10,966,782)

IPR2024-01210 (Patent 10,736,688)

IPR2024-01211 (Patent 10,736,688)

IPR2024-01212 (Patent 10,925,664)

**PETITIONER'S MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE LEAD COUNSEL AND TO
WITHDRAW OTHER COUNSEL¹**

¹ The Board authorized use of this joint caption page on February 3, 2026. An identical copy of this paper has been filed in each case recited in the consolidated caption.

IPR2024-01209, IPR2024-01210,
IPR2024-01211, IPR2024-01212

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10 and 42.20 and the Board's authorization, Petitioner Avanos Medical, Inc. respectfully requests (1) the substitution of current backup counsel Warren J. Thomas as the new lead counsel in this proceeding and (2) withdrawal of counsel Christopher B. Kelly from this proceeding. The other back up counsel—Gregory J. Carlin, and Lee G. Hamilton—will remain unchanged in this proceeding.

The requested substitution will not have an adverse effect on, or otherwise delay, this proceeding. The parties have conferred, and the Patent Owner does not oppose. Petitioner's Updated Mandatory Notices reflecting this change are being filed contemporaneously with this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.6(e) and agreement of the parties, the undersigned certifies that a copy of this paper was served via electronic mail to the following attorneys of record for Patent Owner on February 3, 2026:

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