

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.,  
Petitioner,

v.

IARNACH TECHNOLOGIES LTD.,  
Patent Owner.

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Patent 9,287,982 B2

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Before KARA L. SZPONDOWSKI, CHRISTOPHER L. OGDEN, and  
RUSSELL E. CASS, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

SZPONDOWSKI, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER

Granting Patent Owner's Motions for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of  
Eric J. Enger and William B. Collier  
*37 C.F.R. § 42.10*

On August 30, 2024, Patent Owner filed motions requesting *pro hac vice* admission of Eric J. Enger and William B. Collier. Papers 6, 7 (collectively “Motions”). Patent Owner also submitted Declarations from Eric J. Enger (Ex. 2001) and William B. Collier (Ex. 2002) in support of the Motions (collectively “Declarations”). Petitioner has not opposed 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 Declarations, we conclude that Patent Owner has established good cause for *pro hac vice* admission of Mr. Enger and Mr. Collier. Mr. Enger and Mr. Collier 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. Enger and Mr. Collier in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(b). Paper 5. Patent Owner has also filed Mandatory Notices identifying Mr. Enger and Mr. Collier as back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3). Paper 4.

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED that Patent Owner's Motions for *pro hac vice* admission of Eric J. Enger and William B. Collier are *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner is to continue to have a registered practitioner represent it as lead counsel for this proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Enger and Mr. Collier are authorized to represent Patent Owner as back-up counsel only in this proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Enger and Mr. Collier be familiar with the Patent Trial and Appeal Board Consolidated Trial Practice Guide<sup>1</sup> (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. Enger and Mr. Collier are 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.*

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<sup>1</sup> Available at <https://www.uspto.gov/TrialPracticeGuideConsolidated>.

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