UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS AMERICA, INC., and
SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO., LTD.,
Petitioner,

v.

COBBLESTONE WIRELESS, LLC,
Patent Owner.

IPR2024-00606
Patent 7,924,802 B2

Before KARL D. EASTHOM, NORMAN H. BEAMER, and
RUSSELL E. CASS, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

CASS, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

TERMINATION
Due to Settlement After Institution of Trial
35 U.S.C. § 317; 37 C.F.R. § 42.74

I. INTRODUCTION

With the Board's authorization, Petitioner and Patent Owner (collectively referred to as "the Parties") filed a Joint Motion to Terminate the above-identified proceeding due to settlement. Paper 19 ("Joint Motion" or "Mot."). In support of the Joint Motion, the Parties filed a confidential Release Agreement (Ex. 2009 ("Settlement Agreement")), as well as a Joint Request to File Settlement Agreement as Business Confidential Information Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) (Paper 18 ("Joint Request")).

II. DISCUSSION

In the Joint Motion, the Parties represent that they have reached an agreement to jointly seek termination of the above-identified *inter partes* review proceeding, and that the filed copy of the Settlement Agreement is a true and complete copy. Mot. 1–2; Ex. 2009, 6. The Parties further represent that their settlement agreement resolves "all disputes relating to the Patent-in-Suit." Mot. 3.

Under 35 U.S.C. § 317(a), "[a]n inter partes review instituted under this chapter shall be terminated with respect to any petitioner upon the joint request of the petitioner and the patent owner, unless the Office has decided the merits of the proceeding before the request for termination is filed." Section 35 U.S.C. § 317(a) also provides that if no petitioner remains in the *inter partes* review, the Office may terminate the review.

We instituted a trial in the above-identified proceeding on September 10, 2024. Paper 13. We have not yet decided the merits of the proceeding, and a final written decision has not been entered. Notwithstanding that the proceeding has moved beyond the preliminary stage, the Parties have shown adequately that the termination of the proceeding is appropriate. Under

these circumstances, we determine that good cause exists to terminate the proceeding with respect to the Parties.

After reviewing the Settlement Agreement between Petitioner and Patent Owner, we find that the Settlement Agreement contains confidential business information regarding the terms of settlement. We determine that good cause exists to treat the Settlement Agreement between Petitioner and Patent Owner 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

In view of the above, it is

ORDERED that the Joint Motion to Terminate (Paper 19) is *granted*, and IPR2024-00606 is *terminated* with respect to Petitioner and Patent Owner pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(a) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.72; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the Joint Request to File Settlement Agreement as Business Confidential Information Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 317(b) (Paper 18) is *granted*, and the Settlement Agreement shall be kept separate from the file of Patent 7,924,802 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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