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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

ILLUMINA, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

MOLECULAR LOOP BIOSCIENCES, INC.,
Patent Owner.

IPR2024-00964 (Patent 11,041,852 B2)
IPR2024-00965 (Patent 11,768,200 B2)
IPR2024-01419 (Patent 11,840,730 B1)[1]

Before ANNETTE R. REIMERS, SUSAN L. C. MITCHELL, and ZHENYU YANG, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

PER CURIAM.

ORDER
Granting Patent Owner's Motions for *Pro Hac Vice*
Admission of Michael Wueste and Kevin Goon
37 C.F.R. § 42.10

[1] The combined caption is for administrative convenience only and does not indicate that the above-identified proceedings have been joined. The parties are not authorized to use this caption without express permission of the Board.

On July 1, 2025, Patent Owner filed motions requesting *pro hac vice* admission of Michael Wueste and Kevin Goon in each of the above-identified proceedings (collectively "Motions"). Papers 21, 22.[2] Patent Owner also submitted declarations from Messrs. Wueste and Goon in support of the Motions in each proceeding (collectively "Declarations"). Exs. 2013, 2014. Patent Owner indicates Petitioner does not oppose the Motions. Paper 21, 1; Paper 22, 1.

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 Messrs. Wueste and Goon have sufficient litigation experience and legal familiarity with the subject matter of these proceedings, and meet all other requirements for admission *pro hac vice*. *See* Papers 21, 22; Exs. 2014, 2014. Accordingly, Patent Owner has

[2] For expediency, we cite to papers in IPR2024-00964. Similar papers were filed in the other above-identified proceedings.

established good cause for *pro hac vice* admission of Messrs. Wueste and Goon.

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED that Patent Owner's Motions for *pro hac vice* admission of Michael Wueste and Kevin Goon are *granted*;

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

FURTHER ORDERED that Messrs. Wueste and Goon are authorized to represent Patent Owner as back-up counsel only in these proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Messrs. Wueste and Goon be familiar with the Patent Trial and Appeal Board Consolidated Trial Practice Guide[3] (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 Messrs. Wueste and Goon 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*.

[3] Available at https://www.uspto.gov/TrialPracticeGuideConsolidated.

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