

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

INTEL CORPORATION,
Petitioner

v.

INTERDIGITAL, INC.,
Patent Owner

IPR2024-01441

U.S. Patent No. 9,674,556

**PATENT OWNER'S MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION OF
ANDREW J. LIGOTTI UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c)**

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LIST OF EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT NO.	SHORT NAME	DESCRIPTION
Exhibit 2001	Richardson	Declaration of Dr. Iain Richardson
Exhibit 2002	Richardson CV	Curriculum Vitae of Dr. Iain Richardson
Exhibit 2003	IDG PH Brief	Public Version of Complainants' Initial ITC Post-Hearing Brief
Exhibit 2004	Ligotti Decl.	Declaration of Andrew J. Ligotti

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c), Patent Owner InterDigital, Inc. (“Patent Owner” or “InterDigital”) requests that the Board admit Andrew J. Ligotti *pro hac vice* in this proceeding.

I. TIME FOR FILING

This Motion is timely because it is being filed after the Notice of Filing Date Accorded to the Petition and no sooner than twenty-one days after service of the petition. *See Unified Patents, Inc. v. Parallel Iron, LLC*, Case No. IPR2013-00639, Paper 7 at 2-3 (PTAB Oct. 15, 2013) (“Time for Filing”).

II. STATEMENT OF FACTS SHOWING GOOD CAUSE FOR THE BOARD TO RECOGNIZE COUNSEL PRO HAC VICE

The Board may recognize counsel *pro hac vice* during a proceeding upon showing of good cause, subject to the condition that lead counsel is a registered practitioner, and any other conditions the Board may impose. 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c). Section 42.10(c) states “where lead counsel is a registered practitioner, a motion to appear *pro hac vice* may be granted upon a showing that counsel is an experienced litigation attorney and has an established familiarity with the subject matter at issue in the proceeding.” The facts here establish good cause for the Board to recognize Andrew J. Ligotti *pro hac vice*.

1. Lead Counsel, M. Scott Stevens, of the Law Firm Alston & Bird, LLP is a registered practitioner having Registration Number 54,762.

2. The Declaration of Andrew J. Ligotti (EX2004 (“Ligotti Decl.”)) accompanies this Motion. In his declaration, Mr. Ligotti attests to all facts required for *pro hac vice* admission. For example, Mr. Ligotti attests that he is a member in good standing of the State Bar of New York. EX2004, ¶2. Mr. Ligotti also attests that he has not been suspended, disbarred, had his application denied, been sanctioned, or had a contempt citation imposed on him by any court or administrative body. EX2004, ¶¶3-5. Mr. Ligotti is an experienced litigator and has reviewed U.S. Patent No. 9,674,556, and the Petition and Preliminary Response as well as the accompanying exhibits, and as such has established familiarity with the subject matter at issue in this proceeding. EX2004, ¶¶9-10. Mr. Ligotti is not currently appearing *pro hac vice* in any proceedings before the Office. EX2004, ¶8. The proceedings to which Mr. Ligotti has applied to appear *pro hac vice* before the Board and been granted admission in the last three years include IPR2021-00339; IPR2021-00340; IPR2021-00341; IPR2022-00292; IPR2022-00293; IPR2022-00471; IPR2022-00851; IPR2022-00864; PGR2021-00102; and PGR2021-00103. *See* EX2004, ¶8.

III. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons as well as the reasons contained in the attached declaration, Patent Owner respectfully moves for the admission of Mr. Ligotti to

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designate him as back-up counsel in this IPR, in view of his knowledge, familiarity, and experience with the relevant subject matter. Although Mr. Ligotti is not a registered USPTO practitioner, Patent Owner's undersigned lead counsel is registered.

Dated: February 26, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

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LEAD COUNSEL FOR PATENT OWNER

CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the above-captioned **MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION OF ANDREW J. LIGOTTI** and related declaration were served in their entirety on February 26, 2025, on Counsel for Petitioner via filing through the P-TACTS System, as well as by delivering a copy via electronic mail to the following:

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