UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SLACK TECHNOLOGIES, LLC. and
SALESFORCE, INC.,

Petitioners,

v.

WRINKL, INC.,

Patent Owner.

IPR2024-01490
U.S. Patent No. 11,973,731

UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR CHRISTOPHER KAO TO APPEAR *PRO HAC VICE*

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c) and the Board's authorization in the subject proceeding (Paper 3 at 2), Petitioners Slack Technologies, LLC. and Salesforce, Inc. ("Petitioners") move the Board to recognize Christopher Kao *pro hac vice* in connection with the Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 11,973,731 in IPR2024-01490.

Petitioners provide the following information in support of this Motion, as required by the Board's "Order, Authorizing Motion for Pro Hac Vice Admission, 37 C.F.R. § 42.10" in Case No. IPR2013-00639, Paper 7 ("*Pro Hac* Order").

Pursuant to the *Pro Hac* Order, Part 2(a), good cause exists for Christopher Kao to appear *pro hac vice* in connection with the subject *Inter Partes* Review because: (1) Mr. Kao is a partner at the law firm of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP and a member of good standing of the Bar of the State of California; (2) Mr. Kao is an experienced patent litigator with over twenty years of experience in litigating patent suits; (3) Mr. Kao has extensive experience litigating patent validity issues in federal court; (4) Mr. Kao is especially familiar with the subject matter at issue; (5) Petitioners have a need to have their counsel in the co-pending litigation involved in this proceeding at issue because he assisted in preparing materials submitted in this proceeding; (6) Mr. Kao has previously been granted *pro hac vice* status in at least Case CBM2020-00015, Paper 11; Case IPR2020-01035, Paper 18;

Case IPR2020-01041, Paper 12; Case IPR2022-00164, Paper 8; Case IPR2022-00165, Paper 8; Case IPR2022-00176, Paper 9; Case IPR2022-00177, Paper 9; Case IPR2022-00395, Paper 21; Case IPR2022-00406, Paper 21; Case IPR2022-00419, Paper 21; Case IPR2022-00780, Paper 16; Case IPR2022-00781, Paper 16; Case IPR2022-01156, Paper 11; and (7) Robert C.F. Pérez, lead counsel for Petitioners with respect to the subject *Inter Partes* Review, is an attorney at Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP and a registered practitioner before the United States Patent and Trademark Office (No. 39,328).

The information required by the *Pro Hac* Order, Part 2 (b)(i)-(viii), can be found in the accompanying Declaration of Christopher Kao in support of this Motion.

The undersigned attorney welcomes a telephone call should the Office have any requests or questions.

Dated: May 30, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on May 30, 2025, a true and correct copy of the foregoing **UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR CHRISTOPHER KAO TO APPEAR *PRO HAC VICE*** is being served via electronic mail as agreed by the parties on the following attorneys of record:

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