

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

CROWDSTRIKE, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

GOSECURE, INC.,
Patent Owner.

IPR2025-00070
Patent 9,954,872 B2

Before NEIL T. POWELL, STACEY G. WHITE, and
GARTH D. BAER, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

POWELL, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER

Granting Patent Owner's Motion to Seal and Entering Protective Order
37 C.F.R. §§42.14, 42.54

Patent Owner filed a Motion to File Documents under Seal. Paper 38 (“Motion” or “Mot.”). Patent Owner moves to seal its Motion for Additional Discovery (Papers 39, 40), along with Exhibits 2100–2106.¹ Mot. 1. Patent Owner also seeks entry of the Board’s Default Protective Order. *Id.* at 1–2.

The standard for granting a motion to seal is “for good cause.” 37 C.F.R. § 42.54(a). The moving party bears the burden to show entitlement to the requested relief and to establish that the information sought to be sealed is confidential information. *Id.* § 42.20(c). The “good cause” standard for granting a motion to seal reflects the strong public policy for making all information in an inter partes review open to the public. *Argentum Pharms. LLC v. Alcon Rsch., Ltd.*, IPR2017-01053, Paper 27 at 3 (PTAB Jan. 19, 2018) (informative).

Patent Owner persuades us that good cause exists for sealing the identified documents. As Patent Owner explains, the materials Patent Owner seeks to seal include confidential business information from a confidential meeting and in confidential emails. Mot. 3–4. Additionally, we find it warranted to enter the Board’s Default Protective Order in this proceeding.

As a reminder, confidential information that is subject to a protective order ordinarily becomes public forty-five (45) days after final judgment in a trial. Consolidated Trial Practice Guide² at 21–22. After final judgment in a trial, a party may file a motion to expunge confidential information from the record prior to the information becoming public in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.56.

It is
ORDERED that Patent Owner's Motion to Seal is *granted*; and
FURTHER ORDERED that the Board's Default Protective Order is
entered in this proceeding.

¹ Patent Owner's Motion for Additional Discovery has been denied.
Paper 45.

² USPTO, Patent Trial and Appeal Board Consolidated Trial Practice Guide
November 2019, <https://www.uspto.gov/TrialPracticeGuideConsolidated>
("TPG").

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