

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

LENOVO (UNITED STATES), INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

TELEFONAKTIEBOLAGET LM ERICSSON,
Patent Owner.

IPR2025-00177
Patent 10,708,618

**JOINT REQUEST TO TREAT SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENTS AS BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

Petitioner Lenovo (United States), Inc. (“Lenovo”) and Patent Owner Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson (“Ericsson”) (collectively “the Parties”) jointly request that the Settlement Agreement and Arbitration Agreement filed as Confidential Exhibits 1017 and 1018 be treated as business confidential information and be kept separate from the publicly available files of the involved patent.

Section 317(b) provides that:

At the request of a party to the proceeding, the agreement or understanding shall be treated as business confidential information, shall be kept separate from the file of the involved patents, and shall be made available only to Federal Government agencies on written request, or to any person on a showing of good cause.

Likewise, 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c) provides that:

A party to a settlement may request that the settlement be treated as business confidential information and be kept separate from the files of an involved patent or application. The request must be filed with the settlement. If a timely request is filed, the settlement shall only be available:

- (1) To a Government agency on written request to the Board; or
- (2) To any other person upon written request to the Board to make the settlement agreement available, along with the fee specified in § 42.15(d) and on a showing of good cause.

The present request, which is being filed along with the Settlement Agreement and Arbitration Agreement, is timely and in accordance with the foregoing authority.

Therefore, the parties respectfully submit that this request for confidential treatment should be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
IN COMPLIANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. § 42.6 (e)(4)**

The undersigned certifies that on April 10, 2025, a complete copy of the
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