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Paper 16
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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GARMIN INTERNATIONAL, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

CARDIACSENSE LTD.,
Patent Owner.

IPR2025-00195
Patent 7,980,998 B2

Before JEFFREY N. FREDMAN, ANNETTE R. REIMERS, and TIMOTHY G. MAJORS, *Administrative Patent Judges.*

MAJORS, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION
Due to Settlement After Institution of Trial
35 U.S.C. § 317; 37 C.F.R. § 42.74

On August 14, 2025, with Board authorization, the parties filed a joint motion to terminate this proceeding. Paper 14. The parties also filed what they represent is a true and correct copy of their written settlement agreement (Ex. 1032).[1] In the joint motion, the parties indicate that they "have reached an agreement (the 'Settlement Agreement') [(i.e., Ex. 1032)] to resolve their disputes." Paper 14, 2. The parties state that, given the resolution of all disputes between them related to the challenged patent and the opportunity to preserve resources before a final decision has been made by the Board, termination of this proceeding is justified. *Id.* at 3.

On August 14, 2025, the parties also filed a joint request that their settlement agreement be treated as business confidential information and kept separate from the file of U.S. Patent No. 7,980,998 B2. Paper 15, 2–3.

Under 35 U.S.C. § 317(a), "[a]n inter partes review instituted under this chapter shall be terminated with respect to any petitioner upon the joint request of the petitioner and patent owner, unless the Office has decided the merits of the proceeding before the request for termination is filed." We instituted a trial in this proceeding on May 23, 2025. Paper 10. This proceeding is still at an early stage—the Patent Owner Response has not yet been filed and the Board has not decided the merits of Petitioner's challenge.

Under 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(b), "[a]ny agreement or understanding between the parties made in connection with, or in contemplation of, the termination of a proceeding shall be in writing and a true copy shall be filed with the Board before the termination of the trial." The parties have filed

[1] The parties filed a version of Exhibit 1032 on August 14, 2025, but that version was only partially executed. That version was expunged and the parties were authorized to, and did, refile Exhibit 1032 comprising the fully-executed settlement agreement on August 19, 2025.

what they indicate is a true copy of their written settlement agreement (Paper 15, 2; Ex. 1032), and they state that there are no other agreements, oral or written, between the parties related to termination of this proceeding. Paper 14, 2. In view of the foregoing, we determine that it is appropriate to terminate this proceeding without reaching a final written decision. *See* 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.72, 42.74.

As requested by the parties, the settlement agreement (Ex. 1032) will be treated as business confidential information and kept separate from the patent file. 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c).

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the parties' joint motion to terminate the proceeding (Paper 14) is *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that the parties' joint request (Paper 15) that the settlement agreement (Ex. 1032) be treated as business confidential information is *granted*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that this proceeding is hereby *terminated*.

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