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**U.S. District Court [LIVE]
Western District of Texas (Austin)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:24-cv-00551-DII**

Sterling Computers Corporation v. Meta Platforms, Inc.
Assigned to: Judge Docket II - Austin
Related Case: [1:24-cv-00552-DII](#)
Cause: 35:100 Patent Infringement

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Jury Demand: Plaintiff
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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
05/22/2024	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT (Filing fee \$ 405 receipt number ATXWDC-18793140), filed by Sterling Computers Corporation. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Exhibit A)(Goodpastor, Christopher) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024	<u>2</u>	Notice of Filing of Patent/Trademark Form (AO 120). AO 120 forwarded to the Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. (Goodpastor, Christopher) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024	<u>3</u>	REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF SUMMONS by Sterling Computers Corporation. (Goodpastor, Christopher) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024	<u>4</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Christopher V. Goodpastor on behalf of Sterling Computers Corporation (Goodpastor, Christopher) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Adam G. Price on behalf of Sterling Computers Corporation. Attorney Adam G. Price added to party Sterling Computers Corporation(pty:pla) (Price, Adam) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Gabriel R. Gervy on behalf of Sterling Computers Corporation. Attorney Gabriel R. Gervy added to party Sterling Computers Corporation(pty:pla) (Gervy, Gabriel) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024	<u>7</u>	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Michael Damian French on behalf of Sterling Computers Corporation. Attorney Michael Damian French added to party Sterling Computers Corporation(pty:pla) (French, Michael) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024		Case assigned to Judge Docket II - Austin. CM WILL NOW REFLECT THE JUDGE INITIALS AS PART OF THE CASE NUMBER. PLEASE APPEND THESE JUDGE INITIALS TO THE CASE NUMBER ON EACH DOCUMENT THAT YOU FILE IN THIS CASE. (kp) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024		If ordered by the court, all referrals and consents in this case will be assigned to Magistrate Judge Dustin Howell. (kp) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024		DEMAND for Trial by Jury by Sterling Computers Corporation. (kp) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024	<u>8</u>	Summons Issued as to Meta Platforms, Inc.. (kp) (Entered: 05/22/2024)

05/22/2024	9	MOTION to Appear Pro Hac Vice by Christopher V. Goodpastor <i>for Devan V. Padmanabhan</i> (Filing fee \$ 100 receipt number ATXWDC-18796063) by on behalf of Sterling Computers Corporation. (Goodpastor, Christopher) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024	10	MOTION to Appear Pro Hac Vice by Christopher V. Goodpastor <i>for Britta S. Loftus</i> (Filing fee \$ 100 receipt number ATXWDC-18796072) by on behalf of Sterling Computers Corporation. (Goodpastor, Christopher) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024	11	MOTION to Appear Pro Hac Vice by Christopher V. Goodpastor <i>for Paul J. Robbennolt</i> (Filing fee \$ 100 receipt number ATXWDC-18796083) by on behalf of Sterling Computers Corporation. (Goodpastor, Christopher) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/22/2024	12	MOTION to Appear Pro Hac Vice by Christopher V. Goodpastor <i>for Sri K. Sankaran</i> (Filing fee \$ 100 receipt number ATXWDC-18796095) by on behalf of Sterling Computers Corporation. (Goodpastor, Christopher) (Entered: 05/22/2024)
05/24/2024	13	ORDER GRANTING 9 Motion to Appear Pro Hac Vice as to DEVAN V. PADMANABHAN. Pursuant to our Administrative Policies and Procedures for Electronic Filing, the attorney hereby granted to practice pro hac vice in this case must register for electronic filing with our court within 10 days of this order. Registration is managed by the PACER Service Center Signed by Judge Robert Pitman. (cc3) (Entered: 05/24/2024)
05/24/2024	14	ORDER GRANTING 10 Motion to Appear Pro Hac Vice as to BRITTA S. LOFTUS. Pursuant to our Administrative Policies and Procedures for Electronic Filing, the attorney hereby granted to practice pro hac vice in this case must register for electronic filing with our court within 10 days of this order. Registration is managed by the PACER Service Center Signed by Judge Robert Pitman. (cc3) (Entered: 05/24/2024)
05/24/2024	15	ORDER GRANTING 11 Motion to Appear Pro Hac Vice as to PAUL ROBBENNOLT. Pursuant to our Administrative Policies and Procedures for Electronic Filing, the attorney hereby granted to practice pro hac vice in this case must register for electronic filing with our court within 10 days of this order. Registration is managed by the PACER Service Center Signed by Judge Robert Pitman. (cc3) (Entered: 05/24/2024)
05/24/2024	16	ORDER GRANTING 12 Motion to Appear Pro Hac Vice as to SRI K. SANKARAN. Pursuant to our Administrative Policies and Procedures for Electronic Filing, the attorney hereby granted to practice pro hac vice in this case must register for electronic filing with our court within 10 days of this order. Registration is managed by the PACER Service Center Signed by Judge Robert Pitman. (cc3) (Entered: 05/24/2024)
05/29/2024	17	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Sterling Computers Corporation. Meta Platforms, Inc. served on 5/28/2024, answer due 6/18/2024. (Goodpastor, Christopher) (Entered: 05/29/2024)
06/14/2024	18	RULE 7 DISCLOSURE STATEMENT filed by Sterling Computers Corporation. (Padmanabhan, Devan) (Entered: 06/14/2024)
06/17/2024	19	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Sarah E. Piepmeier on behalf of Meta Platforms, Inc.. Attorney Sarah E. Piepmeier added to party Meta Platforms, Inc.(pty:dft) (Piepmeier, Sarah) (Entered: 06/17/2024)
06/17/2024	20	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Theresa H. Nguyen on behalf of Meta Platforms, Inc.. Attorney Theresa H. Nguyen added to party Meta Platforms, Inc.(pty:dft) (Nguyen, Theresa) (Entered: 06/17/2024)
06/17/2024	21	RULE 7 DISCLOSURE STATEMENT filed by Meta Platforms, Inc.. (Nguyen, Theresa) (Entered: 06/17/2024)

06/17/2024	22	MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer to <i>Complaint</i> by Meta Platforms, Inc.. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Order Proposed Order)(Nguyen, Theresa) (Entered: 06/17/2024)
06/18/2024		Text Order GRANTING 22 Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to Answer entered by Judge Robert Pitman. IT IS ORDERED that Defendant shall answer or otherwise respond to Plaintiff's complaint on or before July 18, 2024. (This is a text-only entry generated by the court. There is no document associated with this entry.) (jmlc) (Entered: 06/18/2024)
06/18/2024		Reset Answer Deadlines Meta Platforms, Inc. answer due 7/18/2024. (cc3) (Entered: 06/18/2024)
07/16/2024	23	RULE 7 DISCLOSURE STATEMENT filed by Meta Platforms, Inc.. (Nguyen, Theresa) (Entered: 07/16/2024)
07/18/2024	24	ANSWER to 1 Complaint by Meta Platforms, Inc..(Nguyen, Theresa) (Entered: 07/18/2024)
08/16/2024	25	Rule 26(f) Discovery Report/Case Management Plan by Sterling Computers Corporation. (Padmanabhan, Devan) (Entered: 08/16/2024)
08/16/2024	26	Joint MOTION for Entry of Agreed Scheduling Order by Sterling Computers Corporation. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A)(Padmanabhan, Devan) (Entered: 08/16/2024)
10/08/2024	27	ORDER Setting Initial Pretrial Telephonic Conference for 10/21/2024 at 3:30 P.M. Signed by Judge Dustin M. Howell. (cnr) (Entered: 10/09/2024)
10/21/2024	28	Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Dustin M. Howell: Initial Pretrial Telephonic Conference held on 10/21/2024 (Minute entry documents are not available electronically.). (Court Reporter: AT&T Conference Line.) Scheduling Order Discussed and Written Order to Follow. (cnr) (Entered: 10/22/2024)
10/24/2024	29	SCHEDULING ORDER: Notice Concerning Reference to United States Magistrate Judge due by 10/15/2024, the Court will set the case for Final Pretrial Conference at a later time, Jury Trial set for 3/1/2027 at 9:30 A.M. in Austin before Judge Robert Pitman. Signed by Judge Robert Pitman. (cnr) (Entered: 10/24/2024)
10/24/2024		Set Hearing: Claim Construction Hearing set for 9/24/2025 in Austin before Judge Robert Pitman. (cnr) (Entered: 10/24/2024)
10/24/2024	30	Order docketed in error . Please Disregard. (cnr) Modified on 10/24/2024 (cnr). (Entered: 10/24/2024)
10/29/2024	31	Joint MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Proposed Protective Order</i> by Sterling Computers Corporation. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Order)(Goodpastor, Christopher) (Entered: 10/29/2024)
10/30/2024		Text Order GRANTING 31 Joint Motion for Extension of Time to File entered by Judge Robert Pitman. IT IS ORDERED that the parties file a proposed Protective Order on or before November 13, 2024. (This is a text-only entry generated by the court. There is no document associated with this entry.) (cslc) (Entered: 10/30/2024)
11/12/2024	32	Joint MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Proposed Protective Order</i> by Sterling Computers Corporation. (Padmanabhan, Devan) (Entered: 11/12/2024)
11/12/2024	33	NON-CONSENT to Trial by US Magistrate Judge by Sterling Computers Corporation. (Goodpastor, Christopher) (Entered: 11/12/2024)

11/13/2024		Text Order GRANTING 32 Joint Motion for Extension of Time to File entered by Judge Robert Pitman. IT IS ORDERED that the parties file a proposed protective order on or before November 26, 2024. (This is a text-only entry generated by the court. There is no document associated with this entry.) (cslc) (Entered: 11/13/2024)
11/26/2024	34	Joint MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Proposed Protective Order</i> by Sterling Computers Corporation. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Order)(Padmanabhan, Devan) (Entered: 11/26/2024)
11/27/2024		Text Order GRANTING 34 Joint Motion for Extension of Time to File entered by Judge Robert Pitman. IT IS ORDERED that the parties file a proposed protective order on or before December 3, 2024. (This is a text-only entry generated by the court. There is no document associated with this entry.) (cslc) (Entered: 11/27/2024)
12/03/2024	35	Joint MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Parties' Contentions</i> by Sterling Computers Corporation. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Order to Extend Deadline for Submission of Parties' Contentions)(Padmanabhan, Devan) (Entered: 12/03/2024)
12/03/2024	36	Joint MOTION for Confidentiality/Protective Order by Sterling Computers Corporation. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Order Exhibit A Proposed Protective Order)(Padmanabhan, Devan) (Entered: 12/03/2024)
12/03/2024	37	Joint MOTION <i>for entry of Federal Rule of Evidence 502(d) Clawback Order</i> by Sterling Computers Corporation. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Order)(Padmanabhan, Devan) (Entered: 12/03/2024)
12/04/2024		Text Order GRANTING 35 Joint Motion for Extension of Time to File entered by Judge Robert Pitman. IT IS ORDERED that Plaintiff's infringement contentions and associated documents be filed on or before December 11, 2024, and Defendant's invalidity contentions and associated disclosures and documents be filed on or before February 5, 2025. (This is a text-only entry generated by the court. There is no document associated with this entry.) (cslc) (Entered: 12/04/2024)
12/05/2024	38	ORDER GRANTING 36 Motion for Protective Order. Signed by Judge Robert Pitman. (cnr) (Entered: 12/05/2024)
12/05/2024	39	ORDER GRANTING 37 Motion for Entry of Federal Rule Evidence 502 Clawback Order. Signed by Judge Robert Pitman. (cnr) (Entered: 12/05/2024)
12/11/2024	40	Corrected Protective Order. Signed by Judge Robert Pitman. (cnr) (Entered: 12/11/2024)

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