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Date: Monday, July 27, 2026 3:54:49 PM
Attachments: [Hunter Horton LEAP Practitioner Request and Verification Form v2-3.pdf](#)

Greetings,

Petitioner's request that Hunter Horton be permitted to participate in the oral hearing as a LEAP practitioner is granted. Petitioner is granted an additional fifteen minutes of argument time during the oral hearing, and reminded that the LEAP practitioner is required to have a meaningful and substantive opportunity to argue. For guidance regarding LEAP, please visit the USPTO website: www.uspto.gov/leap.

Sincerely,

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Hi Jeff,

This should have been forwarded to PTAB Hearings. They will take care of the request.

Best,
Erica

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Hi Erica, does the panel approve the leap request or does someone else approve it, do you know?

Jeff

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Hello,

Please see below.

Thanks,

Tina

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Dear Honorable Board,

Petitioner writes to submit a LEAP participation request for the oral hearing scheduled on August 5, 2026, for IPR2025-00857. Petitioner requests an additional 10 minutes of time to accommodate these arguments. I, Hunter Horton, the LEAP participant, have filed a *pro hac vice* motion in this IPR and qualify under the LEAP eligibility requirements. Petitioner intends to have me argue a portion of the hearing. Please find attached my LEAP Practitioner Request for Oral Hearing Participation and Verification Form. Should any additional information be required, please let us know.

Thank you,
Hunter



Hunter Horton

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LEAP PRACTITIONER VERIFICATION FORM AND REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING PARTICIPATION

On behalf of Petitioner

Apple Inc.

Hunter Horton

requests to participate in the oral hearing in
on its scheduled date, as noted below.

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Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I, Hunter Horton, certify that I am eligible to participate in the Legal Experience and Advancement Program (LEAP) program. I have three or fewer substantive oral hearing arguments before federal tribunals, including PTAB.

I certify/verify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Hearing Information

Requesting Party: Apple Inc.

Appeal/Case/Control Number: IPR2025-00857

Hearing Date (mm/dd/yyyy): 08/05/2026

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