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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO., LTD., and
SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS AMERICA, INC.,
Petitioner,
v.
HANNIBAL IP LLC,
Patent Owner.

IPR2025-01187 (Patent 11,057,896 B2)
IPR2025-01188 (Patent 11,272,535 B2)
IPR2025-01189 (Patent 11,368,911 B2)
IPR2025-01190 (Patent 11,057,896 B2)[1]

Before KARL D. EASTHOM, SHEILA F. McSHANE, KARA L. SZPONDOWSKI, SHARON FENICK, and JASON M. REPKO, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

PER CURIAM.

ORDER
Granting Patent Owner's Motions for *Pro Hac Vice*
Admission of Jeffrey M. Saltman
37 C.F.R. § 42.10

[1] We exercise discretion to enter a common order in these proceedings and, thus, list all judges paneled on these proceedings. This is not an indication that the panel for any of these proceedings has been changed or expanded. The combined caption is for administrative convenience only. The parties are not authorized to use this caption without express permission of the Board.

Patent Owner filed a motion requesting *pro hac vice* admission of Jeffrey M. Saltman in each of the above-identified proceedings (collectively "Motions"). Paper 20.[2] Patent Owner also submitted a declaration from Mr. Saltman in support of the motion in each proceeding (collectively "Declarations").[3] Ex. 2008. Petitioner has not opposed the Motions.

For the reasons provided below, Patent Owner's Motions are *granted*.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c)(1), the Board may recognize counsel *pro hac vice* during a proceeding upon a showing of good cause, subject to the condition that lead counsel be a registered practitioner. In authorizing a motion for *pro hac vice* admission, the Board requires the moving party to provide a statement of facts showing there is good cause for the Board to recognize counsel *pro hac vice* and an affidavit or declaration of the individual seeking to appear in the proceeding. *See* Paper 4, 3–4.

Based on the facts set forth in the Motions and the accompanying Declarations, we conclude that Mr. Saltman has sufficient litigation experience and legal familiarity with the subject matter of these proceedings, and meets all other requirements for admission *pro hac vice*. Accordingly,

[2] For expediency, we cite to papers in IPR2025-01187. Similar papers were filed in IPR2025-01188, IPR2025-01189, and IPR2025-01190.

[3] Patent Owner styles Exhibit 2008 as an "AFFIDAVIT," but an affidavit requires undertaking an oath before a notarial officer whose seal and signature appear on the document. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 1.66. Nevertheless, a declaration may be provided in lieu of an affidavit (*see* 37 C.F.R. § 42.2 ("Affidavit means affidavit or declaration under § 1.68 of this chapter.")), and Exhibit 2008 qualifies as a proper declaration.

Patent Owner has established good cause for *pro hac vice* admission of Mr. Saltman.

We note that Patent Owner has filed, in each proceeding, an updated Power of Attorney identifying Mr. Saltman, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(b), and updated Mandatory Notices designating Mr. Saltman, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3). Papers 21, 22.

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED that Patent Owner's Motions for *pro hac vice* admission of Jeffrey M. Saltman are *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner is to continue to have a registered practitioner represent it as lead counsel for each proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Saltman is authorized to represent Patent Owner as back-up counsel only in these proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Saltman be familiar with the Patent Trial and Appeal Board Consolidated Trial Practice Guide[4] (84 Fed. Reg. 64,280 (Nov. 21, 2019)), and comply with the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials, as set forth in Part 42 of Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Saltman is subject to the Office's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a), and the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et seq.*[5]

[4] Available at https://www.uspto.gov/TrialPracticeGuideConsolidated.

[5] Mr. Saltman declares that he "will be subject to the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 10.20 et. seq.," rather than

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those set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et seq.* Ex. 2008 ¶ 10. This appears to be a typographical error.