

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

MARVELL SEMICONDUCTOR, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

CREDO TECHNOLOGY GROUP LTD.,
Patent Owner.

IPR2025-01218 (Patent 10,877,233 B1)
IPR2025-01219 (Patent 11,012,252 B2)

Before HUNG H. BUI, GEORGE R. HOSKINS and
MICHAEL T. CYGAN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

HOSKINS, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER¹

Granting Petitioner's Motions for
Pro Hac Vice Admission of Hanyuan Zhang
37 C.F.R. § 42.10

¹ The combined caption is for administrative convenience only and does not indicate that IPR2025-01218 and IPR2025-01219 have been joined. The parties are not authorized to use this caption without express permission of the Board.

Petitioner has filed motions requesting *pro hac vice* admission of Hanyuan Zhang in both of these proceedings (collectively “Motions”). Paper 24 (“Mot.”).² Petitioner also submitted Declarations from Ms. Zhang in support of the Motions (collectively “Declarations”). Ex. 1050.³ Petitioner represents that Patent Owner does not oppose the Motions. Mot. 1. For the reasons provided below, Petitioner’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* 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c)(1); Paper 3, 3–4.

Based on the facts set forth in the Motions and the accompanying Declarations, we conclude Ms. Zhang has sufficient qualifications to represent Petitioner in these proceedings, has demonstrated sufficient litigation experience and legal familiarity with the subject matter of these proceedings, and meets all other requirements for admission *pro hac vice*. *See* Ex. 1050. Accordingly, Petitioner has established good cause for *pro hac vice* admission of Ms. Zhang. Ms. Zhang will be permitted to serve as back-up counsel only. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c)(1).

² We cite to Papers filed in IPR2025-01218. Petitioner filed a similar Motion in IPR2025-01219 (Paper 22).

³ Petitioner filed a similar Declaration in IPR2025-01219 (Exhibit 1055).

Petitioner has filed a Power of Attorney including Ms. Zhang in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(b). Paper 1 (“All attorneys at Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP for whom a motion to appear *pro hac vice* is filed.”).

However, Petitioner has not filed updated mandatory notices identifying Ms. Zhang as back-up counsel. Therefore, Petitioner must file updated mandatory notices identifying Ms. Zhang as back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3).

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED that Petitioner’s Motions for *pro hac vice* admission of Hanyuan Zhang are *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner must file updated mandatory notices identifying Ms. Zhang as back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3);

FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner is to continue to have a registered practitioner represent it as lead counsel for the above-identified proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Zhang is authorized to represent Petitioner as back-up counsel only in the above-identified proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Zhang be familiar with the Patent Trial and Appeal Board Trial Practice Guide⁴ 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

⁴ Patent Trial and Appeal Board, Trial Practice Guide (Dec. 2025), *available at* <https://www.uspto.gov/patents/ptab/trial-practice-guide>.

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FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Zhang 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.*

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