

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

CANADIAN SOLAR (USA) INC.
Petitioner

v.

FIRST SOLAR, INC.
Patent Owner

Case No. IPR2025-01432

Patent No. 9,130,074

**DECLARATION OF KEITH R. HUMMEL
IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR *PRO HAC VICE* ADMISSION**

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I, Keith R. Hummel, being duly sworn and upon oath, hereby attest to the following:

1. I am a member in good standing of the State Bar of New York.
2. I have never been suspended or disbarred from any practice before any court or administrative body.
3. I have never been denied an application for admission to practice before any court or administrative body.
4. No sanction or contempt citation has ever been imposed against me by any court or administrative body.
5. I have read and will comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials set forth in 37 C.F.R. Part 42.
6. I will be subject to the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et seq.* and disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a).
7. On August 11, 2025, I applied to appear *pro hac vice* before this Office in IPR2025-01130. On September 9, 2025, I applied to appear *pro hac vice* before this Office in IPR2025-01411.
8. I am an experienced litigation attorney having familiarity with the subject matter at issue in this proceeding. I am lead counsel of record for Patent Owner First Solar, Inc. in the district court litigation involving the patent at issue in

this proceeding, U.S. Patent No. 9,130,074 (“the ’074 Patent”). *See First Solar, Inc. v. JinkoSolar Holding Co., Ltd. et al.*, No. 1:25-cv-00223, filed in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware on February 25, 2025; *First Solar, Inc. v. Canadian Solar Inc. et al.*, 1:25-cv-00582, filed in the District of Delaware on May 9, 2025; and *Mundra Solar PV Limited v. First Solar, Inc.*, No. 1:25-cv-00462, filed in the District of Delaware on April 15, 2025. As such, I have reviewed the ’074 Patent and the petition already filed in this proceeding, and I am familiar with the subject matter at issue in this proceeding.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the forgoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 15th day of September, 2025, in New York, New York.

/Keith R. Hummel/
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