

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

TOPSOE INC.,

Petitioner,

v.

CASALE SA,

Patent Owner.

Patent No. 11,286,168

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Inventors: Francesco Baratto et al.

Title: PROCESS FOR THE SYNTHESIS OF AMMONIA WITH LOW
EMISSIONS OF CO₂ IN ATMOSPHERE

Inter Partes Review No. IPR2025-01454

**DECLARATION OF PAYTON GEORGE IN SUPPORT OF CASALE SA'S
MOTION FOR *PRO HAC VICE* ADMISSION OF PAYTON GEORGE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c)**

I, Payton George, declare as follows:

1. I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the state of Minnesota.

2. I am a member of good standing of the Bar of the state of Minnesota and in the District of Columbia.

3. I am also admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Minnesota, the United States District Court for the District of Colorado, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, and the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin.

4. I am a member in good standing in all jurisdictions where I have been admitted to practice.

5. I have never been suspended or disbarred from practice before any court or administrative body.

6. I have never had an application denied for admission to practice before any court or administrative body.

7. I have never had any sanctions or contempt citations imposed by any court or administrative body.

8. 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 part 42 of the C.F.R.

9. I agree to be subject to the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 et seq. and disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. §11.19(a).

10. I am an Associate at the law firm of Dorsey & Whitney, LLP (“Dorsey”) and am counsel of record for Patent Owner, Casale S.A., in the related district court litigation, *Topsoe, Inc. v. Casale US, Inc. et al.*, No. 3:24-cv-00033 (S.D. Tex.) (the “S.D. Tex. Litigation”). I joined Dorsey as an Associate in October 2018.

11. I am a litigation attorney with specific experience in patent law and patent law litigation. I have represented clients in numerous patent infringement actions across the country.

12. I have applied to appear pro hac vice in one proceeding before the United States Patent and Trademark Office in the last three (3) years. That proceeding is *Shenzhen Qianfenyi Intelligent Technology Co., Ltd. v. Wacom Co., Ltd.*, PTAB-IPR2025-01533. My pro hac vice application was filed on October 10, 2025, and was still pending when institution was discretionarily denied on January 16, 2026. PTAB-IPR2025-01533, Paper 14.

13. I have an established familiarity with the subject matter at issue in this proceeding. I have familiarity with the subject matter at issue in this proceeding and in the related S.D. Tex. Litigation. Since that time, I have closely studied the

asserted patents and participated in discovery related to the same. I have acquired substantial understanding of the underlying issues at stake in this matter.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the patents at issue.

Dated: March 26, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.6(e)(4), the undersigned certifies that on March 26, 2026, a complete and entire copy of this Declaration in Support of Pro Hac Vice Admission was served on the Petitioner via electronic mail at the following addresses:

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