

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

CLEAN CHEMISTRY, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

ENVIRO TECH CHEMICAL SERVICES, INC.,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2025-01458
Patent 9,737,072

**PATENT OWNER ENVIRO TECH CHEMICAL SERVICES, INC.'S
MOTION FOR *PRO HAC VICE* ADMISSION OF JENNIFER R. SANDLIN**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c)(1), Patent Owner Enviro Tech Chemical Services, Inc. (“EnviroTech”) respectfully seeks *pro hac vice* admission of Jennifer R. Sandlin in this proceeding involving U.S. Patent No. 9,737,072.

I. RELEVANT LAW

37 C.F.R. 42.10(c)(1) states that:

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 and to any other conditions that the Board may impose. For example, when the lead counsel is a registered practitioner, a motion to appear *pro hac vice* by counsel who is not a registered practitioner may be granted upon showing that counsel is an experienced litigating attorney and has an established legal familiarity with the subject matter at issue in the proceeding.

More specifically, the Notice of Filing Date Accorded to Petition and Time for Filing Patent Owner Preliminary Response, Paper 3 (Sept. 5, 2025) delineates the requirements for a motion for *pro hac vice* recognition:¹

- a. Contain a statement of facts showing there is a good cause for the Board to recognize counsel *pro hac vice* during the proceeding;
- and

¹ The list of requirements mirrors those listed in *Unified Patents, Inc. v. Parallel Iron, LLC*, IPR 2013-00639, Paper 7 (Oct. 15, 2013).

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- b. Be accompanied by an affidavit or declaration in which the individual seeking *pro hac vice* recognition attests to the following:
 - i. Membership in good standing of the Bar of at least one State or the District of Columbia;
 - ii. No suspensions or disbarments from practice before any court or administrative body;
 - iii. No applications for admission to practice before any court or administrative body ever denied;
 - iv. No sanctions or contempt citations ever imposed by any court or administrative body;
 - v. The individual seeking to appear has read and will comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials set forth in 37 CFR part 42;
 - vi. The individual will be subject to the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 CFR 11.101 *et seq.* and disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 CFR 11.19(a);
 - vii. All other proceedings before the Office for which the individual has applied to appear *pro hac vice* in the last three years; and
 - viii. Familiarity with the subject matter at issue in the proceeding.

II. STATEMENT OF FACTS

The facts set forth below, as well as the facts attested to in **Exhibit 2017**,
Declaration of Jennifer R. Sandlin in Support of Motion for *Pro Hac Vice*

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Admission, establish good cause to admit Ms. Sandlin *pro hac vice* as Back-Up Counsel in this proceeding.

1. Ms. Sandlin is an experienced litigator. She has been an intellectual property litigator for the four years that she has been in private practice. (Exhibit 2017, Sandlin Decl. ¶ 1.)

2. Lead counsel in this proceeding is Anna C. Halsey, who is registered before the United States Patent and Trademark Office and holds Registration No. 73,960. Back-Up Counsel are Ann G. Fort (admitted *pro hac vice*), Peter G. Pappas (Reg. No. 33,205), Chancellor S. Shafor (Reg. No. 76,993), Cameron C. Murphy (Reg. No. 74,736) and Michael J. Behlen (Reg. No. 81,473). (Updated Mandatory Notices, Paper No. 7.) Ms. Sandlin will work closely with Ms. Halsey, Ms. Fort, Mr. Pappas, Mr. Shafor, Mr. Murphy, and Mr. Behlen on this proceeding.

3. Ms. Sandlin is a member in good standing of the Georgia State Bar, with no suspensions or disbarments from practice, nor any application for admission to practice denied, nor any sanction or contempt citations, and is admitted to practice in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia. (Exhibit 2017, Sandlin Decl. ¶¶ 2-5.)

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4. Ms. Sandlin has read and will comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trial set forth in 37 C.F.R. part 42. (*Id.* ¶ 6.)

5. Ms. Sandlin agrees to 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). (*Id.* ¶ 7.)

6. Ms. Sandlin has not applied to appear *pro hac vice* before this office in any proceedings in the last three years. (*Id.* ¶ 8.) Ms. Sandlin will, however, be concurrently seeking to appear *pro hac vice* in the related IPRs filed by Petitioner, including Nos. IPR2025-01459, -01471, and -01472. (*Id.*)

7. Ms. Sandlin is familiar with the subject matter at issue in this proceeding through her prior patent litigation experience. (*Id.* ¶ 9.)

III. ANALYSIS

The facts contained in the Statement of Fact above and in the attached Declaration of Jennifer R. Sandlin establish that there is good cause to admit Ms. Sandlin *pro hac vice* to serve as Back-Up Counsel. Lead Counsel is a registered practitioner and an experienced patent litigator, Back Up Counsel include many experienced patent litigators and registered practitioners, Ms. Sandlin is an

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experienced intellectual property litigator, and Ms. Sandlin has an established familiarity with the subject matter at issue in this proceeding.

IV. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Patent Owner EnviroTech respectfully requests that the Board admit Jennifer R. Sandlin *pro hac vice* in this proceeding.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing ***Patent Owner Enviro Tech Chemical Services, Inc. 's Motion for Pro Hac Vice Admission of Jennifer R. Sandlin*** was served via electronic mail, per agreement of the parties, in its entirety, on Petitioner's attorneys of record in IPR2025-01458 on the date indicated below.

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