

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

KIOSOFT TECHNOLOGIES, LLC and TECHTREX, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

PAYRANGE INC.,
Patent Owner.

PGR2023-00042
Patent 11,481,772 B2

Before KEN B. BARRETT, MEREDITH C. PETRAVICK, and
GEORGE R. HOSKINS, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

PETRAVICK, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION
Settlement Prior to Institution of Trial
37 C.F.R. § 42.74

On February 5, 2024, pursuant to our authorization, Petitioners, KioSoft Technologies, Inc. and TechTrex, Inc., and Patent Owner, PayRange Inc., filed a Joint Motion to Dismiss this proceeding. Paper 7 (“Mot.”). With the Joint Motion, the parties filed a true and correct copy of their written settlement agreement memorializing the resolution of their disputes. Ex. 2002 (“Settlement Agreement”). The parties also filed a Joint Request that the Settlement Agreement be treated as confidential business information under 35 U.S.C. § 327(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c). Paper 8.

In the Joint Motion, the parties represent that they have resolved their dispute with respect to U.S. Patent No. 11,481,772 B2. Mot. 1. Furthermore, the parties represent that they have agreed to terminate this proceeding and have no other collateral agreements or understandings in connection with, or in contemplation of, the termination of this proceeding. *Id.*

This proceeding is at an early stage, as the Board has not yet made a decision whether to institute a post-grant review. Under these circumstances, and in view of the parties’ representations in the Joint Motion, we determine that it is appropriate to terminate this proceeding.

We also determine that good cause exists for the Settlement Agreement to be treated as confidential business information under 35 U.S.C. § 327(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c).

Accordingly, it is:

ORDERED that the Joint Motion to Dismiss is *granted*, and this proceeding is *terminated*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the parties' Joint Request is *granted*, and the Settlement Agreement (Exhibit 2002) be treated as confidential business information and kept separate from the patent file.

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