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Paper 21
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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

THERABODY, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

HYPERICE IP SUBCO, LLC,
Patent Owner.

PGR2024-00053
Patent 11,857,482 B1

Before JEFFREY N. FREDMAN, RICHARD H. MARSCHALL, and ALYSSA A. FINAMORE, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

FREDMAN, *Administrative Patent Judge.*

ORDER
Granting Petitioner's Motion for
Admission *Pro Hac Vice* of Brett J. Williamson
37 C.F.R. § 42.10

On July 18, 2025, Petitioner filed a Motion requesting Admission *Pro Hac Vice* of Brett J. Williamson. Paper 19. Petitioner submitted a Declaration from Mr. Williamson in support of the Motion. Ex. 1016. Patent Owner does not oppose the Motion.

On July 15, 2025, a Power of Attorney was submitted for Mr. Williamson in accordance with 37 C.F.R § 42.10(b). Paper 18. A Mandatory Notice was also submitted, identifying Mr. Williamson as back-up counsel, as required by 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3). Paper 17, 2–3.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c), we may recognize counsel *pro hac vice* during a proceeding upon a showing of good cause. In authorizing a motion for admission *pro hac vice*, 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 Unified Patents, Inc. v. Parallel Iron, LLC*, IPR2013-00639, Paper 7 (PTAB Oct. 15, 2013) (setting forth the requirements for admission *pro hac vice*).

Based on the facts set forth in the Motion and the accompanying Declaration, we conclude that Mr. Williamson has sufficient legal and technical qualifications to represent Petitioner in this proceeding, that Mr. Williamson has demonstrated sufficient litigation experience and familiarity with the subject matter of this proceeding, and that Mr. Williamson meets all other requirements for admission *pro hac vice*. *See* Ex. 1016 ¶¶ 1–12. Accordingly, Petitioner has established good cause for admission *pro hac vice* of Mr. Williamson. Mr. Williamson will be permitted to appear *pro hac vice* as back-up counsel only. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c).

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby

ORDERED that Petitioner's Motion (Paper 19) for admission *pro hac vice* of Brett J. Williamson is *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner continue to have a registered practitioner represent it as lead counsel in the above-identified proceeding, and that Mr. Williamson is authorized to act only as back-up counsel;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Williamson be familiar with the Patent Trial and Appeal Board's Consolidated Trial Practice Guide[1] (84 Fed. Reg. 64,280 (Nov. 21, 2019)), and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials, as set forth in Part 42 of Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Williamson 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. §§ 11.101–11.901.

[1] Available at https://www.uspto.gov/TrialPracticeGuideConsolidated.

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