

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GLOBAL TEL*LINK CORP.

Petitioner,

v.

SECURUS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

Patent Owner.

Case IPR2014-00785¹
Patent 6,636,591 B2

Before KEVIN F. TURNER, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION

Motions for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Jeffrey R. Bragalone
37 C.F.R. § 42.10

Securus Technologies, Inc. (“Securus”) filed motions for *pro hac vice* admission of Mr. Jeffrey R. Bragalone in each of the proceedings identified

¹ This Decision addresses the same issues in the *inter partes* reviews listed in the Appendix. Therefore, we issue one Decision to be filed in all of the cases. The parties, however, are not authorized to use this style of filing in subsequent papers.

in the Appendix. Paper 8 (“Mot.”).² In separate communications, Global Tel*Link Corp. (“Global Tel*Link”) indicated that it did not oppose the motions. For the reasons provided below, Securus’ motions are *granted*.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c), we 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. The Order authorizing motions for *pro hac vice* admission requires a statement of facts showing there is good cause for us to recognize counsel *pro hac vice*, and an affidavit or declaration of the individual seeking to appear in the proceedings identified in the Appendix.

In the proceedings at issue, lead counsel for Securus, Justin B. Kimble, is a registered practitioner. Mot. 1. Patent Owner’s Motions indicate that there is good cause for us to recognize Mr. Jeffrey R. Bragalone *pro hac vice* during these proceedings, and each is supported by a Declaration (Ex. 2001). Mot. 2.

Mr. Bragalone is indicated to be an experienced patent litigation attorney and has been practicing law, with a focus on patent litigation and other intellectual property matters. Mot. 2–3. Mr. Bragalone declares that he has established familiarity with the subject matter at issue in the proceedings identified in the Appendix, as he has been representing Securus in the related district court litigation that involves the same patents being

² For the purpose of clarity and expediency, we treat IPR2014-00785 as representative, and all citations are to IPR2014-00785 unless otherwise noted.

challenged in the proceedings before us. Ex. 2001 ¶ 9. Additionally, Mr. Bragalone's Declaration complies with the requirements set forth in the Board's Order authorizing motions for *pro hac vice* admission. *Id.* ¶¶ 1–9.

Based on the record, we find that Mr. Bragalone has sufficient legal and technical qualifications to represent Securus in the proceedings identified in the Appendix. We further recognize that there is a need for Securus to have its counsel in the co-pending litigation involved in the proceedings before us. Accordingly, Securus has established that there is good cause for Mr. Bragalone's admission.

For the foregoing reasons, it is

ORDERED that Securus' motions for *pro hac vice* admission of Mr. Bragalone for the instant proceeding are *granted*; Mr. Bragalone is authorized to represent Securus as back-up counsel in the instant proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Securus is to continue to have a registered practitioner as lead counsel in the instant proceedings; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Bragalone is to comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials, as set forth in Title 37, Part 42 of the C.F.R., and to be 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 *et seq.*

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APPENDIX

U.S. Patent Numbers	<i>Inter Partes</i> Reviews	Paper No. for Motion	Petitioner	Patent Owner
6,636,591 B1	IPR2014-00785	8	Global Tel*Link	Securus
7,324,637 B2	IPR2014-00810	6	Global Tel*Link	Securus
7,860,222 B1	IPR2014-01278 IPR2014-01282	8 6	Global Tel*Link	Securus
7,805,457 B1	IPR2014-01283	6	Global Tel*Link	Securus
7,783,021 B2	IPR2015-00153	8	Securus	Global Tel*Link
7,853,243 B2	IPR2015-00155	7	Securus	Global Tel*Link
7,551,732 B2	IPR2015-00156	8	Securus	Global Tel*Link

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