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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

ERICSSON INC. and TELEFONAKTIEBOLAGET LM ERICSSON, Petitioner,

v.

INTELLECTUAL VENTURES I LLC, Patent Owner.

Case IPR2015-01367 Patent 5,602,831

Before BRIAN J. McNAMARA, DAVID C. McKONE, and JOHN F. HORVATH, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

McKONE, Administrative Patent Judge.

DECISION
Termination of the Proceeding
37 C.F.R. §§ 42.72, 42.74



I. INTRODUCTION

The parties filed a Joint Motion to Terminate Proceeding. Paper 49 ("Motion" or "Mot."). The parties also filed what they indicate is a true and correct copy of a settlement agreement. Ex. 2019 ("Agreement"). In a Joint Request, the parties identified the Agreement as business confidential information and requested that the Agreement be kept separate from the patent file. Paper 47 ("Joint Request"). For the reasons discussed below, the Motion and Joint Request are granted.

II. ANALYSIS

We have not decided the merits of this proceeding. The parties indicate that they have settled their dispute regarding U.S. Patent No. 5,602,831. Mot. 1, 3. The parties filed the Agreement, and represent that "[n]o other such agreements, written or oral, exist between or among the parties." *Id.* at 4. Under these circumstances, we determine that it is appropriate to terminate this proceeding. *See* 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.72. We also determine that it is appropriate to treat the Agreement as business confidential information to be kept separate from the patent file. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.74(c).

III. ORDER

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby:

ORDERED that the Joint Motion to Terminate Proceedings is granted;

FURTHER ORDERED that this proceeding is *terminated* as to all parties;



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FURTHER ORDERED that the Joint Request to treat the Settlement Agreement (Ex. 2019) as business confidential information to be kept separate from the patent file is *granted*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the Settlement Agreement (Ex. 2019) be kept separate from the patent file.

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