# UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

# BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

### LG ELECTRONICS, INC., and LG ELECTRONICS U.S.A., INC., Petitioner,

v.

#### TOSHIBA SAMSUNG STORAGE TECHNOLOGY KOREA CORPORATION, Patent Owner.

Case IPR2015-01642 (Patent 6,721,110 B2) Case IPR2015-01644 (Patent 6,785,065 B1) Case IPR2015-01653 (Patent RE43,106 E) Case IPR2015-01659 (Patent 7,367,037 B2)<sup>1</sup>

Before KALYAN K. DESHPANDE, MICHAEL R. ZECHER, and TREVOR M. JEFFERSON, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

ZECHER, Administrative Patent Judge.

DECISION Patent Owner's Motion for Withdrawal and Substitution of Counsel  $37 C.F.R. \S 42.10(e)$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This Decision addresses an issue that is identical in all four cases. We, therefore, exercise our discretion to issue one Decision to be filed in each of the four cases. The parties, however, are not authorized to use this style heading in any subsequent papers.

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## I. DISCUSSION

Patent Owner, Toshiba Samsung Storage Technology Korea Corporation ("Samsung"), filed a Motion for Withdrawal and Substitution of Counsel pursuant 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e) ("Mot.") in each of the proceedings identified above. IPR2015-01642, Paper 12; IPR2015-01644, Paper 12; IPR2015-01653, Paper 12; IPR2015-01659, Paper 13. In its Motion, Samsung requests that we allow its current lead and back-up counsel, Messrs. Brent K. Yamashita and Alan A. Limbach, to withdraw from these proceedings so that Samsung may appoint new lead and back-up counsel, Messrs. Joseph A. Rhoa and Jonathan Roberts. Mot. 1.<sup>2</sup> According to Samsung, both Messrs. Rhoa and Roberts are registered practitioners. *Id*. Samsung represents that Petitioner, LG Electronics, Incorporated and LG Electronics U.S.A, Incorporated, does not oppose this Motion. *Id*. at 2.

Under the particular circumstances presented in these cases, we conclude that good cause exists to allow Samsung's current lead and backup counsel to withdraw from these proceedings such that new lead and backup counsel may be appointed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For purposes of expediency, we refer to the Motion filed in Case IPR2015-01642.

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# II. ORDER

In consideration of the foregoing, it is:

ORDERED that Samsung may withdraw its current lead and back-up counsel, Messrs. Brent K. Yamashita and Alan A. Limbach, from these proceedings; and

FURTHER ORDERED that within seven (7) days of entry of this Decision Samsung must file an updated mandatory notice information pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.8 in each proceeding designating Messrs. Joseph A. Rhoa and Jonathan Roberts as new lead and back-up counsel, respectively. IPR2015-01642 (Patent 6,721,110 B2) IPR2015-01644 (Patent 6,785,065 B1) IPR2015-01653 (Patent RE43,106 E) IPR2015-01659 (Patent 7,367,037 B2)

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