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### UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GREAT WEST CASUALTY COMPANY, BITCO GENERAL INSURANCE CORPORATION, and BITCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY, Petitioner,

v.

TRANSPACIFIC IP I LTD. and INTELLECTUAL VENTURES II LLC, Patent Owner.

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Case IPR2015-01912 Patent 8,929,555 B2

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Before MICHAEL W. KIM, THOMAS L. GIANNETTI, and ROBERT L. KINDER, Administrative Patent Judges.

KINDER, Administrative Patent Judge.

JUDGMENT AND FINAL WRITTEN DECISION 35 U.S.C. § 318(a) and 37 C.F.R. § 42.73(b)



#### BACKGROUND

Petitioner requested *inter partes* review of claims 1, 7, and 13–15 of U.S. Patent No. 8,929,555 ("the '555 patent"). Paper 1. The Board granted the Petition and instituted an *inter partes* review of all challenged claims. Paper 10. On June 29, 2016, Patent Owner filed a Patent Owner's Response and notified the Board of the filing of a Disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321(a), disclaiming claims 1, 7, and 13–15 of the '555 patent. Paper 17. Patent Owner has filed a copy of the Disclaimer. Ex. 2001.

### **DISCUSSION**

A party may request entry of adverse judgment against itself at any time during a proceeding. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.73(b). Here, Patent Owner has disclaimed all challenged claims such that Patent Owner has no remaining claim in the trial, which is construed as a request for adverse judgment. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.73(b)(2). Under these circumstances, entry of judgment adverse to the Patent Owner is appropriate.

#### CONCLUSION AND ORDER

In view of the Disclaimer by Patent Owner of claims 1, 7, and 13–15 of the '555 patent, Patent Owner's request for adverse judgment is *granted*.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED that adverse judgment against the Patent Owner is entered under 37 C.F.R. § 42.73(b)(2);

FURTHER ORDERED that this constitutes a final written decision under 35 U.S.C. § 318(a).



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