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## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

NEPTUNE GENERICS, LLC, Petitioner,

v.

ELI LILLY & COMPANY, Patent Owner.

Cases IPR2016-00237, IPR2016-00240<sup>1</sup> Patent 7,772,209 B2

Before JACQUELINE WRIGHT BONILLA and MICHAEL P. TIERNEY, *Vice Chief Administrative Patent Judges*, and LORA M. GREEN, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

GREEN, Administrative Patent Judge.

## **ORDER**

Petitioner's Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Paul J. Skiermont 37 C.F.R. § 42.10

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This Order addresses issues that are the same in all identified cases. We exercise our discretion to issue one Order to be filed in each case. The parties, however, are not authorized to use this style heading in subsequent papers.



On October 27, 2016, Petitioner filed a motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Paul J. Skiermont. Paper 39 ("Motion").<sup>2</sup> The Motion is supported by a declaration of Mr. Skiermont. Ex. 1041. Patent Owner did not file an opposition to the motion.

The Board has reviewed the submissions and determined that the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c) have been met and there is good cause to admit Mr. Skiermont *pro hac vice*.

Petitioner is reminded that a Power of Attorney in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(b) must be submitted for Mr. Skiermont.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED that Petitioner's Motions for *Pro Hac Vice* admission of Paul J. Skiermont are granted; Mr. Skiermont is authorized to act as back-up counsel in the instant proceedings only;

FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner must file updated mandatory notices identifying Mr. Skiermont as back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.8 and 42.10;

FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner is to continue to have a registered practitioner represent it as lead counsel for the instant proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Skiermont is to comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials, as set forth in Part 42 of Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations; and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For purposes of expediency, we refer to the papers filed in IPR2016-00237. Petitioner filed similar papers in IPR2016-00240.



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FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Skiermont is 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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