

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

KAZ USA,
Petitioner,

v.

BRITA LP,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2016-01893
Patent 8,167,141 B2

Before MICHAEL P. TIERNEY, JO-ANNE M. KOKOSKI, and
JEFFREY W. ABRAHAM, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

KOKOSKI, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION
Patent Owner's Unopposed Motion to Withdraw
37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e)

On December 13, 2016, with Board authorization, counsel for Patent Owner filed a motion to withdraw as counsel and substitute Deborah Sterling of Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox P.L.L.C. as Lead Counsel, and Christopher M. Gallo, also of Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox P.L.L.C., as Back-up Counsel, in this proceeding. Paper 8. Patent Owner filed a power of attorney listing its new counsel. *Id.* at 2; Paper 7. Patent Owner represents that Petitioner does not oppose the motion. Paper 8, 1.

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby:

ORDERED that Patent Owner's Motion to Withdraw as Counsel and Substitute New Counsel is *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that Gillian Thackray and Thomas C. Feix are permitted to withdraw as counsel in these proceedings;

FURTHER ORDERED that Deborah Sterling is recognized as Lead Counsel, and Christopher M. Gallo is recognized as Back-up Counsel, for Patent Owner, effective the date of this Decision; and

FURTHER ORDERED that, within five business days of this Decision, Patent Owner shall file updated mandatory notice information listing its new counsel, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.8.

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