

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

KINGSTON TECHNOLOGY COMPANY, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

POLARIS INNOVATIONS LTD.,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2017-00114
Patent 7,206,978 B2

Before SALLY C. MEDLEY, BARBARA A. PARVIS, and
MATTHEW R. CLEMENTS, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

PARVIS, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION
Granting Petitioner's Motion for
Pro Hac Vice Admission of Jeffrey Shneidman, Ph.D.
37 C.F.R. § 42.10

I. INTRODUCTION

On August 30, 2017, Petitioner filed a Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Dr. Jeffrey Shneidman. Paper 20 (“Mot.”). Petitioner indicates that its Motion is not opposed. *Id.* For the reasons +provided below, Petitioner’s Motion is *granted*.

II. DISCUSSION

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c), we may recognize counsel *pro hac vice* during a proceeding upon a showing of good cause, subject to the condition that lead counsel be a registered practitioner. In these proceedings, lead counsel for Petitioner is a registered practitioner. Petitioner asserts that there is good cause for us to recognize Dr. Shneidman *pro hac vice* in these proceedings. Mot. 1. Petitioner’s assertions in this regard are supported by the Declaration of Dr. Shneidman. Ex. 1012.

Based on the facts set forth in the Motion and the accompanying Declaration from Dr. Shneidman, we conclude that Dr. Shneidman has sufficient legal and technical qualifications to represent Petitioner in these cases, that Dr. Shneidman has demonstrated the necessary familiarity with the subject matter of these cases, and that there is a need for Petitioner to have counsel with experience as a litigation attorney in patent matters involved in these cases. Accordingly, Petitioner has established good cause for Dr. Shneidman’s *pro hac vice* admission. Dr. Shneidman will be permitted to appear *pro hac vice* in these cases as back-up counsel only. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c).

III. ORDER

Accordingly, it is ORDERED that Petitioner's unopposed Motion for *pro hac vice* admission of Dr. Jeffrey Shneidman is *granted*, and Dr. Shneidman is authorized to represent Petitioner as back-up counsel in this proceeding only;

FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner is to continue to have a registered practitioner represent it as lead counsel in this proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Dr. Shneidman shall 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

FURTHER ORDERED that Dr. Shneidman shall be subject to the Office's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a), as well as the Office's Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et. seq.*

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