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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

LENOVO (UNITED STATES) INC. and EMC CORPORATION, Petitioner,

v.

INTELLECTUAL VENTURES I LLC, Patent Owner.

Case IPR2017-00477 Patent 8,387,132 B2

Before JEFFREY S. SMITH, GEORGIANNA W. BRADEN, and DANIEL J. GALLIGAN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

GALLIGAN, Administrative Patent Judge.

ORDER
Granting Patent Owner's Unopposed Motion to Withdraw
37 C.F.R. § 42.10



Patent Owner moves to withdraw Lori A. Gordon as back-up counsel because she "is no longer associated with the law firm STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX, P.L.L.C." Paper 30. Petitioner does not oppose the Motion. *Id*.

Our Rules provide that "[c]ounsel may not withdraw from a proceeding before the Board unless the Board authorizes such withdrawal." 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e). In this proceeding, Patent Owner has designated additional individuals as back-up counsel (Paper 7, 1–2), and, therefore, Patent Owner will continue to have lead and back-up counsel following withdrawal of Ms. Gordon as required by our Rules. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(a) ("If a party is represented by counsel, the party must designate a lead counsel and at least one back-up counsel who can conduct business on behalf of the lead counsel."). Accordingly, we grant Patent Owner's Motion.

It is

ORDERED that Lori A. Gordon is no longer recognized as counsel in this proceeding; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner shall file updated mandatory notices removing Ms. Gordon as back-up counsel.



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