

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

RPX CORPORATION AND VIMEO, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

LINK ENGINE TECHNOLOGIES LLC,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2017-00886
Patent 7,480,694 B2

Before RAMA G. ELLURU, SCOTT A. DANIELS, and
DANIEL J. GALLIGAN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

DANIELS, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

DECISION

Granting Patent Owner's Motion for Withdrawal
and Substitution of Lead Counsel
37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e)

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In this *inter partes* review, Brett J. Davis is currently designated as lead counsel for Patent Owner. Paper 7. On March 28, 2018, Mr. Davis, on behalf of Patent Owner, filed Patent Owner’s Unopposed Motion for Withdrawal and Substitution of Lead Counsel. Paper 21 (“Mot.”). Patent Owner requests that William B. Chadwick be appointed as lead counsel in place of Mr. Davis.¹ Mot. 1.

Counsel may withdraw from an *inter partes* review proceeding only with authorization from the Board. 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e). Patent Owner indicates that there will be no prejudice to the client and the withdrawal and substitution of lead counsel will not affect the schedule and efficiency of this proceeding. *Id.* at 1–2. Patent Owner represents also that Petitioner does not object to withdrawal of Mr. Davis or the substitution of Mr. Chadwick. *Id.* at 2. We are aware of no prejudice to either party that would result from such withdrawal. Accordingly, we *grant* Patent Owner’s Motion.

For the reasons given, it is

ORDERED that Mr. Brett J. Davis is no longer recognized as counsel for Patent Owner in this proceeding; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. William B. Chadwick is recognized as lead counsel in this proceeding and that a respective updated mandatory notice be filed indicating the same.

¹ Patent Owner notes its Mandatory Notice and Power of Attorney, Joseph Pia (*pro hac vice* to be filed). Papers 6–7. The Board has no record of a request for Mr. Pia to be admitted *pro hac vice*.

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