

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

MMODAL LLC,
Petitioner,

v.

NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2018-01431 (Patent 8,117,034 B2)
Case IPR2018-01435 (Patent 6,999,933 B2)¹

NEIL T. POWELL, *Administrative Patent Judge.*

DECISION

Motions for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Amanda Branch and Stephen Bosco
37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c)

¹ This Order applies to both cases. The parties are not authorized to use this style heading for any subsequent papers.

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Patent Owner NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS, INC filed Motions for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Amanda Branch and Stephen Bosco, and accompanying Declarations, in each of the above-captioned proceedings. IPR2018-01431, Papers 11 and 12; Ex. 2003 and 2005; IPR2018-01435, Papers 11 and 12; Ex. 2002 and 2004. Petitioner has not filed an opposition to Petitioner's Motions.

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

It is, therefore,

ORDERED that Patent Owner's Motions for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Amanda K. Branch are *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner is to continue to have a registered practitioner as lead counsel in the instant proceedings, but Ms. Branch is authorized to be designated as backup counsel;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner must file updated mandatory notices identifying Ms. Branch as back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3);

FURTHER ORDERED that, within ten (10) business days of the date of this order, Patent Owner must submit Powers of Attorney for Ms. Branch in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(b)

FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Branch is to comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide, as updated by the August 2018 Update, 83 Federal Register 39,989 (Aug. 13, 2018), and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials, as set forth in Title 37, Part 42 of the C.F.R., and is subject to the USPTO's disciplinary

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jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a) and the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et seq.*;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner's Motions for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Stephen P. Bosco are *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner is to continue to have a registered practitioner as lead counsel in the instant proceedings, but Mr. Bosco is authorized to be designated as backup counsel;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner must file updated mandatory notices identifying Mr. Bosco as back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3);

FURTHER ORDERED that, within ten (10) business days of the date of this order, Patent Owner must submit Powers of Attorney for Mr. Bosco in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(b)

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Bosco is to comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide, as updated by the August 2018 Update, 83 Federal Register 39,989 (Aug. 13, 2018), and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials, as set forth in Title 37, Part 42 of the C.F.R., and is subject to the USPTO's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a) and the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et seq.*

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