

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

VOLKSWAGEN GROUP OF AMERICA, INC.,
Petitioner,

v.

MICHIGAN MOTOR TECHNOLOGIES LLC,
Patent Owner.

IPR2020-00454
Patent 6,644,115 B2

Before NEIL T. POWELL, BARBARA A. PARVIS, and
SEAN P. O'HANLON, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

O'HANLON, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER

Granting Patent Owner's Motion for Admission
Pro Hac Vice of Robyn T. Williams
37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c)

On June 26, 2020, Patent Owner filed a motion for admission *pro hac vice* of Robyn T. Williams as previously authorized by the Notice of Filing Date. Paper 7 (“Motion”); Paper 3, 2. Patent Owner’s Motion is accompanied by a Declaration executed by Ms. Williams. Ex. 2002. Petitioner did not oppose the Motion. *See Unified Patents, Inc. v. Parallel Iron, LLC*, IPR2013-00639, Paper 7 at 3 (PTAB Oct. 15, 2013) (“Parties seeking to oppose a motion for *pro hac vice* admission must file their opposition no later than one week after the filing of the underlying motion.”); *see also* Paper 3, 2 (citing same).

Pursuant to 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. A motion for admission *pro hac vice* must contain a statement of facts showing there is good cause for us to recognize counsel *pro hac vice* during the proceeding and be accompanied by an affidavit or declaration of the individual seeking to appear. *See Unified Patents*, Paper 7 at 3–4.

After considering Patent Owner’s Motion and Ms. Williams’s accompanying Declaration, it is:

ORDERED that Patent Owner’s Motion for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* of Robyn T. Williams is *granted*;

FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Williams is authorized to represent Patent Owner as back-up counsel only;

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner is to continue to have a registered practitioner as lead counsel in this proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Williams is to comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide (84 Fed. Reg. 64,280 (Nov. 21, 2019)),

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and the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials, as set forth in Part 42 of Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations;

FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Williams is subject to the Office's Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et seq.* and the Office's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a);

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner must submit, within ten business days of this order, a Power of Attorney for Ms. Williams in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(b); and

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner shall file updated mandatory notices, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3), providing updated information regarding back-up counsel.

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