

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

INTEX RECREATION CORP.,
Petitioner,

v.

TEAM WORLDWIDE CORPORATION,
Patent Owner.

Case PGR2019-00015
Patent 9,989,979 B2

Before BEVERLY M. BUNTING, JAMES J. MAYBERRY, and
ERIC C. JESCHKE, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

MAYBERRY, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

ORDER
*Granting Motion for Pro Hac Vice Admission
of Robert M. Harkins
37 C.F.R. § 42.10*

Patent Owner, Team Worldwide Corporation (“Team Worldwide”), filed an Unopposed Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission of Robert M. Harkins (Paper 13) (the “Motion”). Team Worldwide also filed the Declaration of Mr. Harkins in support of the Motion. Ex. 2002 (the “Declaration”). Team Worldwide’s lead counsel, Timothy E. Bianchi, is a registered practitioner (Reg. No. 39,610). Paper 4, 2. The Motion and Declaration establish that Mr. Harkins is an experienced litigation attorney, has familiarity with the subject matter at issue in this proceeding, and otherwise satisfies all requirements for *pro hac vice* admission to a proceeding before the Board. See Paper 13; Ex. 2002. Petitioner, Intex Recreation Corporation, does not oppose the Motion. Paper 13, 4.

After considering Team Worldwide’s Motion and the Declaration, it is ORDERED that Team Worldwide’s Motion for *pro hac vice* admission of Robert M. Harkins is *granted*;

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

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Harkins is to comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide, as updated by the July 2019 Update, 84 Federal Register 33,925 (July 16, 2019), and 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 Part 42 of Title 37, 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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FURTHER ORDERED that Team Worldwide must file, within ten (10) business days, an updated mandatory notice in the above-identified proceeding, identifying Mr. Harkins as back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3); and

FURTHER ORDERED that Team Worldwide must file, within ten (10) business days, a Power of Attorney in the above-identified proceeding for Mr. Harkins in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(b).

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