

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

iVenture Card Travel Ltd
Petitioner

v.

Smart Destinations, Inc.
Patent Owner

Patent No. 7,765,128
CBM2016-00092

**PETITIONER'S INFORMATIONAL FILING IN PLACE OF REPLY TO
PATENT OWNER'S RESPONSE**

INFORMATIONAL FILING

On June 17, 2016 Petitioner, iVenture Card Travel Ltd (“iVenture”) filed a Petition for Covered Business Method Review of U.S. 7,765,128 (“the Petition”), Paper # 1, and on June 23, 2016 the Petition was accorded a filing date. Paper # 2. The Patent Owner, Smart Destinations Inc. (“SDI”), did not file a preliminary response, and on December 12, 2016, the Board granted institution, holding that “Petitioner has made a sufficient showing that it is more likely than not to prevail on its challenge under 35 U.S.C. § 101 to at least one of the ’128 patent claims.” Paper #6. The Board then issued a Scheduling Order, setting the following deadlines: Paper #7.

INITIAL CONFERENCE CALL January 13, 2017 at 2 PM ET

DUE DATE 1 March 13, 2017

Patent owner’s response to the petition

Patent owner’s motion to amend the patent

DUE DATE 2 June 13, 2017

Petitioner’s reply to patent owner’s response to petition

Petitioner’s opposition to motion to amend

DUE DATE 3..... July 13, 2017

Patent owner’s reply to petitioner’s opposition to motion to amend

DUE DATE 4August 3, 2017

Motion for observation regarding cross-examination of reply witness

Motion to exclude evidence

Request for oral argument

DUE DATE 5 August 17, 2017

Response to observation

Opposition to motion to exclude

DUE DATE 6 August 24, 2017

Reply to opposition to motion to exclude

DUE DATE 7 September 8, 2017

Oral argument (if requested)

The initial conference call occurred on January 13, 2017, as scheduled. To date the Patent Owner has not responded to the petition or filed a motion to amend the patent, both of which were due on March 13, 2017. On March 24, 2017 Patent owner emailed the Board, consistent with the Scheduling Order, stating: “If the patent owner elects not to file anything, the patent owner must arrange a conference call with the parties and the Board. The patent owner is cautioned that any arguments for patentability not raised in the response will be deemed waived.” Patrick Baker responded on behalf of the Board, stating that no meeting with the Board was necessary at that time.

The Board’s December 12, 2016 order found representative claim 1 more likely than not invalid under § 101. Patent Owner has not distinguished this holding. Nor has Patent Owner stated how any other claims would be patentably distinct. Therefore, Petitioner is not advancing further arguments at this time, and incorporates by reference its prior arguments that each and every claim of the ’128 Patent is invalid.

Petitioner is not filing a reply to patent owner’s response to petition, or an

opposition to motion to amend, which are due June 13, 2017. However, Petitioner reserves all rights to make such arguments should the procedural posture of the case change, or as required by future due dates in the case.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on June 13, 2017, I caused a complete and entire copy of this Informational Filing to be served on the following attorneys of record in this proceeding.

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