## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GOOGLE INC., NEST LABS, INC., and DROPCAM, INC., Petitioner,

v.

E. DIGITAL CORPORATION, Patent Owner.

Case IPR2015-01470 (Patent 8,311,522) Case IPR2015-01471 (Patent 8,315,618) Case IPR2015-01472 (Patent 8,306,514) Case IPR2015-01473 (Patent 8,311,523) Case IPR2015-01474 (Patent 8,311,524) Case IPR2015-01475 (Patent 8,315,619)<sup>1</sup>

Before KEVIN F. TURNER, HYUN J. JUNG, and BARBARA A. PARVIS, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

PARVIS, Administrative Patent Judge.

DECISION Granting Patent Owner's Motion to Withdraw Counsel 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This Order applies to each of the listed cases. We exercise our discretion to issue one Order to be docketed in each case. The parties, however, are not authorized to use this caption for any subsequent papers.

## IPR2015-01470, IPR2015-01471, IPR2015-01472, IPR2015-01473, IPR2015-01474, and IPR2015-01475

A conference call in the above proceedings was held on April 1, 2016, among respective counsel for Petitioner and Patent Owner, and Judges Turner, Jung, and Parvis. During that call, we authorized Patent Owner's filing of motions to withdraw counsel. Patent Owner has filed a Motion to Withdraw Counsel, under 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(e), in each of the proceedings above. IPR2015-01470, Paper 20; IPR2015-01471, Paper 19; IPR2015-01472, Paper 19; IPR2015-01473, Paper 19; IPR2015-01474, Paper 19; IPR2015-001475, Paper 19.

In each Motion to Withdraw Counsel, Petitioner requests that former counsel—namely, Messrs. Robert E. Purcell and Jerry Kearns—be withdrawn as counsel for Patent Owner. *See, e.g.*, IPR2015-01471, Paper 19.<sup>2</sup> In each proceeding, Patent Owner also filed a power of attorney appointing Ms. Mary A. Fales as lead counsel and Mr. Anton Nasri Handal as back-up counsel. IPR2015-01470, Paper 17; IPR2015-01471, Paper 16; IPR2015-01472, Paper 16; IPR2015-01473, Paper 16; IPR2015-01474, Paper 16; IPR2015-01475, Paper 16. Patent Owner additionally filed an updated Mandatory Notice, under 37 C.F.R. § 42.8, designating Ms. Mary A. Fales as lead counsel and Mr. Anton Nasri Handal as back-up counsel. *See, e.g.*, IPR2015-01470, Paper 18; IPR2015-01471, Paper 17; IPR2015-01472, Paper 17; IPR2015-01473, Paper 17; IPR2015-01474, Paper 17; IPR2015-01475, Paper 17. Furthermore, Patent Owner asserts that Ms. Fales is a registered practitioner. *Id.* During the April 1, 2016 call, Petitioner indicated that it does not oppose Patent Owner's motions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This signature block in each Motion includes a reference to "Counsel for Petitioner," which appears to be a clerical error. *Id.* Upon review of the Motions in their entirety and on this record, we understand Patent Owner's Motions to pertain to its former counsel.

## IPR2015-01470, IPR2015-01471, IPR2015-01472, IPR2015-01473, IPR2015-01474, and IPR2015-01475 ORDER

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby:

ORDERED that Patent Owner may withdraw Robert E. Purcell as

lead counsel, as well as Mr. Jerry Kearns as back-up counsel.

IPR2015-01470, IPR2015-01471, IPR2015-01472, IPR2015-01473, IPR2015-01474, and IPR2015-01475

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