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## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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### BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

ELECTRONIC ARTS INC., Petitioner,

v.

WHITE KNUCKLE GAMING, LLC, Patent Owner.

Case IPR2016-00634 Patent 8,540,575 B2

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Before MICHAEL W. KIM, CARL M. DEFRANCO, and CHRISTA A. ZADO, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

 ${\tt DEFRANCO}, Administrative\ Patent\ Judge.$ 

# ORDER Withdrawal of Counsel 37 C.F.R. § 42.10

Electronic Arts Inc. ("Petitioner") filed a "Motion for Withdrawal and Substitution of Counsel," requesting authorization for Marc Kaufman of Reed Smith LLP to withdraw as lead counsel and for Gerard Donovan of the same firm to enter as new lead counsel. Paper 21 ("Motion"). Petitioner

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represents that "it will not seek an extension of time of any current due dates because of the substitution of counsel." Mot. 1. Mr. Donovan is currently back-up counsel for Petitioner and, in that regard, we presume Mr. Donovan is ready and able to take over representation of Petitioner in this proceeding. Petitioner also indicates that Patent Owner does not oppose the Motion. *Id.* 

In consideration of the foregoing, it is hereby ORDERED that Petitioner's Motion is *granted*; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner must file a substitute power of attorney identifying new lead and back-up counsel, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 42.8 and 42.10, within three (3) business days of this order.

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