

**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD**

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3M Company, Merck & Co., Inc., and Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp.

Petitioners,

v .

AptarFrance S.A.S.,

Patent Owner.

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Case IPR2018-01055  
Patent No. 9,370,631 B2

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**DECLARATION OF RON N. SKLAR IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR  
*PRO HAC VICE* ADMISSION**

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I, Ron N. Sklar, declare as follows:

1. I am a partner in the Chicago Office of Honigman Miller Schwartz & Cohn LLP. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this declaration and, if called as a witness, could and would testify competently under oath.

2. I am a member in good standing of the Bar of Illinois (Bar No. 6304022), as well as the following Courts:

a. U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (2010);

b. U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan (2011); and

c. U.S. District Court for Eastern District of Texas (2018).

3. I have not been suspended or disbarred from practice before any court or administrative body;

4. I have never had an application for admission to practice before any court or administrative body denied;

5. No sanction or contempt citation has been imposed against me by any court or administrative body;

6. I have read and will comply with the Office Patent Trial Practice Guide and the Board's Rule of Practice for Trials set forth in part 42 of 37 C.F.R.;

7. I will be subject to the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et seq.* and disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a);

8. In the last three years, I have applied to appear *pro hac vice* before the Office in the following proceedings: IPR2018-00741, IPR2018-00742, IPR2018-00743, and IPR2018-00744. All of these motions were granted. I am also applying to appear *pro hac vice* in IPR2018-01054; and

9. I am an experienced litigation attorney, with experience in numerous patent infringement litigations in District Courts and the International Trade Commission, including experience in jury trials and *Markman* hearings. As counsel in a co-pending litigation, *AptarGroup, Inc. and Aptar France S.A.S. v. 3M Co., Merck & Co., Inc., and Merck, Sharp & Dohme Corp.*, Case No. 1:17-cv-06294 (N.D. Ill.), in which U.S. Patent No. 9,370,631 is asserted against 3M Co., Merck & Co., Inc., and Merck, Sharp & Dohme Corp., I am familiar with the subject matter at issue in the proceeding, including the prior art relied on in the Petition (Paper 1). I am also familiar with the pertinent issues of claim construction that have been addressed in the Petition.

10. I declare that all statements made herein that are of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful

false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED: December 11, 2018

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