

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

CRYE PRECISION LLC,
Petitioner,

v.

FIRSTSPEAR, LLC,
Patent Owner.

IPR2019-01152 – U.S. Pat. No. 9,974,379

IPR2019-01153 – U.S. Pat. No. 9,565,922

DECLARATION OF COLLEEN SPHAR

I, Colleen Sphar, declare:

1. I am a paralegal with the law firm of Greenberg Traurig, LLP and I work out of the Denver office. I have been a paralegal with Greenberg Traurig, LLP for approximately six years and an IP litigation paralegal for approximately twelve years. For at least the last six years, I have supported Greenberg's practice before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and if called upon to testify as to them, I can and will do so.
2. At approximately 4:51 PM on Friday, December 20, 2019, I received instructions to file the final copies of the Requests for Rehearing in IPR2019-01152 and IPR2019-01153 from an attorney, Heath Briggs. I was instructed to ensure that they were filed and served that day.
3. I have handled the filing of hundreds, if not thousands, of documents at the PTAB using the PTAB E2E system. I followed the process that I typically use when I receive documents for filing on PTAB E2E. First, I prepared a PDF of the final filings and confirmed that they were signed, that the certificate of service appeared correct, and to ensure that the final PDFs were free of errors.
4. I then used Mr. Heath Briggs' log-in information to access PTAB E2E. I did so with his approval.

5. For each of the submissions, I chose the appropriate trial number, *i.e.*, IPR2019-01152 or IPR2019-01153, and then selected the appropriate options associated with the filing of a request for rehearing. I then selected the appropriate PDF file from my computer and I believe I uploaded them to PTAB E2E. I then selected “public” to indicate that the requests were to be filed publicly. I then submitted the request in each proceeding. I have followed similar procedures with many filings in PTAB E2E. It has been my experience that when there is an error with a filing, there is a notification given that indicates that there is a problem. I recall receiving no such error message when I went to file the request for rehearing.
6. After I believed I filed the requests for rehearing in IPR2019-01152 and IPR2019-01153, I served them by email on counsel for Petitioner. A true and correct copy of my email serving the requests is included with this submission as Exhibit 1021.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein 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 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

Executed on this 22nd day of April, 2020, in Denver, Colorado.

/s/ Colleen Sphar

Colleen Sphar