

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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Trademark Trial and Appeal Board
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Arlington, Virginia 22202-3513

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Opposition No. 91117179

GUY M. BIEDERMAN, JR.

v.

NTC/CONTEMPORARY PUBLISHING
GROUP, INC.

David Mermelstein, Interlocutory Attorney:

On March 19, 2001, opposer's attorney filed a request to withdraw as opposer's counsel of record in this case. The Board regrets the lengthy delay in considering counsel's withdrawal. The request to withdraw as counsel is in compliance with the requirements of Trademark Rule 2.19(b) and Patent and Trademark Rule 10.40, and is accordingly GRANTED. Bruce Pritzker no longer represents opposer in this proceeding.

In view of the withdrawal of opposer's counsel, and in accordance with standard Board practice, proceedings herein are SUSPENDED, and opposer is allowed until **THIRTY DAYS** from the mailing date of this order to appoint new counsel, or to file a paper stating that opposer chooses to represent itself. If opposer files no response, the Board may issue an order to show cause why default judgment should not be

entered against opposer based on opposer's apparent loss of interest in the case.

The parties will be notified by the Board when proceedings are resumed, and dates will be rescheduled at the appropriate time.

A copy of this order has been sent to all persons listed below.

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