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Trademark Trial and Appeal Board
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Mailed: February 8, 2007

Opposition No. 91169590

Scott Elliott

v.

Vantage Technologies Knowledge Assessment, LLC

Cheryl Butler, Attorney, Trademark Trial and Appeal Board:

Proceedings were suspended by order of the Board dated January 26, 2007 in view of filing by applicant on January 11, 2006 of a motion for discovery sanctions.[1]

On February 5, 2007, applicant's attorneys filed a request to withdraw as applicant's counsel of record in this case.[2] The request to withdraw as counsel is in compliance with the requirements of Trademark Rule 2.19(b) and Patent and Trademark Rule

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[1] Based upon the date of service (January 11, 2007) of applicant's motion, opposer's response was due January 31, 2007. As yet, a response, if any, has not yet been associated with the electronic record. (If opposer timely responded in a permissible manner other than utilizing the ESTTA filing system, for example, by First Class Mail, the Board must allow an appropriate passage of time after the due date for such a filing to be associated with the electronic record before determining that applicant's motion for sanctions has been conceded.)

[2] A copy of said request has been placed in both the opposition file and the application file.

10.40, and is accordingly granted. The law firm of Paul & Paul no longer represents applicant in this proceeding.

In view of the withdrawal of applicant's counsel, and in accordance with standard Board practice, proceedings herein remain suspended, except that applicant is allowed until ***thirty days*** from the mailing date of this order to appoint new counsel, or to file a paper stating that applicant chooses to represent itself. If applicant files no response, the Board may issue an order to show cause why default judgment should not be entered against applicant based on applicant's apparent loss of interest in the case or issue an otherwise appropriate order based on the circumstances in this 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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