

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
Trademark Trial and Appeal Board
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Opposition No. 91175106

Hon Hai Precision Industry
Co., Ltd.

v.

International Communications
Manufacturing Corp.

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This case now comes up on opposer's consented motion (filed July 11, 2008) to extend applicant's time in which to file an answer to the notice of opposition.

Extension of Time

By way of the motion, opposer states that the parties are engaged in settlement negotiations and that applicant has consented to the extension. In view thereof, the motion to extend is granted. Trademark Rule 2.127(a). Answer is due September 11, 2008. Discovery is open. The close of discovery and trial dates remain as set in the Board's June 12, 2008 order.

Future Report Required

It is noted that this proceeding was commenced nineteen months ago, but no answer has yet been filed. The Board

presumes that the parties' representations of settlement efforts have been made in good faith, and that the parties are indeed engaged in active, bilateral efforts to resolve this matter. However, given that such efforts have been unsuccessful to date, the Board does not believe that further time for this purpose would be appropriate or useful. Any further requests to reopen, extend, or suspend time must be accompanied by a report on the progress of the parties' settlement talks to establish good cause for any reopening, extension, or suspension. This report should be signed by both parties and include a recitation of (1) how the parties have used the time heretofore allowed for settlement, including dates and times at which the parties or counsel have met, corresponded, or spoken regarding settlement; (2) a list of issues which have been resolved and which remain for trial; and (3) a firm timetable for the resolution of this matter. Absent such a report, the Board will look with disfavor on any future motions to reopen, extend or suspend, even those stipulated to by the parties.