

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the Matter of Application Serial No. 78551627
for the Mark of "WIMAX IN A BOX"
Filed on January 21, 2005
Published for Opposition in the Official Gazette of May 8, 2007

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WIMAX FORUM, a California Corporation)	Proceeding No. 91180535
)	supersedes
Opposer,)	Proceeding No 91180534
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v.)	
)	
AIRTEGRITY WIRELESS, INC., a Nevada Corporation)	
)	
Applicant.)	
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12-14-2007

ANSWER

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COMES NOW the Applicant, AirTegrity Wireless, Inc. ("Applicant"), and files its Answer and Affirmative Defenses to Opposer, WiMAX Forum's ("Opposer") Notice of Opposition ("Notice of Opposition"), as follows:

1. Applicant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the allegations concerning the Opposer's timing, validity, and exclusive right to use the "WIMAX FORUM" Mark contained in paragraph 1 of the Notice of Opposition, and therefore denies same. Applicant denies the parties' respective marks are similar. Applicant denies the nature of the parties' respective goods and services are similar. Therefore, the Applicant denies the likelihood of confusion, mistake, or deception as to source, sponsorship, or affiliation.
2. Applicant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the allegations concerning the Opposer's timing, validity, and exclusive right to use the "WIMAX FORUM CERTIFIED" Mark contained in paragraph 2 of the Notice of Opposition, and therefore denies same. Applicant denies the Opposer's application "has priority over the Applicant's application" insofar as they

- are not in conflict. Applicant denies the parties' respective marks are similar. Applicant denies the nature of the parties' respective goods and services are similar. Therefore, the Applicant denies the likelihood of confusion, mistake, or deception as to source, sponsorship, or affiliation.
3. Applicant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the allegations concerning the Opposer's rights to the two Marks noted above contained in paragraph 3 of the Notice of Opposition, and therefore denies same. The applicant denies the Opposer established rights in "other marks that consist of or include WIMAX" that are pertinent as applications for all of the Opposer's other Marks were filed after the Applicant's. Applicant denies that there would be confusion between the two Marks for which the Opposer had filed at the time of the Applicant's Application and the Applicant's Mark.

AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

1. The original application for Word Mark WIMAX, U.S. Serial Number 78476620, was filed August 31, 2004 not by the Opposer but by Bandwidth.com, Inc. This Word Mark was subsequently abandoned November 8, 2005.
2. At the time of the Applicant's filing, January 21, 2005, Opposer had filed only 2 Word Mark applications, both containing the words "WIMAX FORUM" (one "WIMAX FORUM" and the other "WIMAX FORUM CERTIFIED").
3. Neither the Applicant's Word Mark WIMAX IN A BOX nor the Applicant's application to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office contains any reference to a FORUM. Likewise, there is no graphical similarity between the Opposer's Marks and the Applicant's Marks (neither in U.S. Patent and Trademark Office documentation nor in the market).
4. WIMAX, the only common word between the Opposer's Marks and the Applicant's, has become a ubiquitous term. As of this date there are 28 Word Marks in the Trademark Electronic Search System (TESS), 18 of which are Live. A search of Google on this date reveals 2,810,000 references to this term.

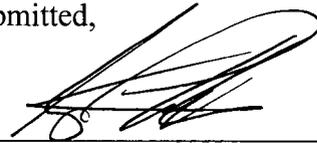
5. On March 20 and 26, 2007, over two years after the Applicant's filing date, the Opposer filed five (5) Word Mark applications to secure the Word Mark WIMAX. The Opposer now improperly includes these to substantiate its claims that the Applicant's Mark should not be approved. This is as preposterous as the holder of the Mark "International Consumer Electronics Show" retroactively filing for Mark "Consumer Electronics" to prevent others from using this term already common in the marketplace.
6. The Opposer filed for Word Mark WIMAX CERTIFIED on January 15, 2002 and subsequently abandoned this Mark on September 10, 2006. Clearly even the Opposer makes the clear distinction between WIMAX and the WIMAX FORUM.
7. The Applicant is a corporation which manufactures hardware. The Opposer an association that offers promotion services. These are not likely confused.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that the Opposition be dismissed with prejudice.

Dated: December 12, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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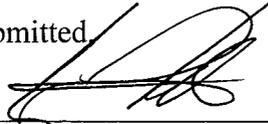
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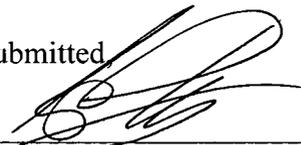
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