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BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Proceeding	91194218
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Illumina, Inc.,)	
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Opposer,)	Opposition No. 91194218 (parent)
)	Opposition No. 91194219
v.)	
)	Ser. No. 77775316
Meridian Bioscience, Inc.,)	Ser. No. 77768176
)	
Applicant.)	

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE AMENDED NOTICES OF OPPOSITION

In accordance with Rule 2.107 of the Trademark Rules of Practice, Rule 15(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and TBMP Rule 507 *et seq.*, Illumina, Inc. (“Opposer”) seeks leave to amend its Notices of Opposition to correct paragraph reference errors in the original Notices of Opposition and to include a claim to Opposer’s common law mark ILLUMINOTES. Proposed Amended Notices of Opposition are submitted herewith.

Through its investigation in connection with the preparation of the Initial Disclosures, Opposer became aware of the relevance of the ILLUMINOTES mark to these oppositions. The consolidated opposition proceedings are still in the discovery period and Applicant, Meridian Bioscience, Inc., has not yet served any discovery requests on Opposer. Therefore, Applicant avers that the Amended Notice of Opposition will not create substantial prejudice to Applicant because the proceedings are still in a fairly early stage. *See Buffett v. Chi Chi’s, Inc.*, 226 USPQ 428 (TTAB 1985); *see also Flatley v. Trump*, 11 USPQ2d 1284 (TTAB 1989) (proceedings still in the discovery stage). Moreover, entry of the proposed amended pleadings would not violate

settled law.

Opposer requests that the Board grant Opposer leave to amend its Notice of Opposition.

Respectfully submitted,

ILLUMINA, INC.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Motion for Leave to File Amended Notice of Opposition with attached registration records has been served on Applicant's attorney, J. Michael Hurst of Keating Meuthing & Klekamp PLL, at the address of record, One East 4th Street, Suite 1400, Cincinnati, OH 45202-3752, via first class mail, postage prepaid, today **December 8, 2010**.

Signed: 

Laura K. Greer

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AMENDED NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Illumina, Inc. (“Opposer”) is or will be damaged by the registration of the mark ILLUMIPRO-10, which is set forth in application Ser. No. 77775316 and owned by Meridian Bioscience, Inc. (“Applicant”), and hereby opposes the same.

As grounds for the opposition, Opposer, by its attorneys, avers as follows:

1. On June 25, 2009, Applicant submitted application Ser. No. 77775316 (hereinafter the “opposed application”) to the United States Patent and Trademark Office.
2. On December 1, 2009, the opposed application was published for opposition.
3. On December 14, 2009, Opposer timely filed a request for a 90-day extension of time to oppose the opposed application. This request was granted by the Board on that same day.
4. Opposer is the owner of several marks using the prefix ILLUMI– for a variety of goods used for scientific and medical research and for clinical diagnostics as well as for information services related thereto and laboratory certification services. Opposer is also the

owner of incontestable United States trademark registrations, Reg. Nos. 2632507, 2756703, and 2471539, for the mark ILLUMINA; and United States trademark application Ser. No. 77747038 for the mark ILLUMINADX (Collectively, and with the marks cited in Paragraphs 6, 7 and 8, *infra*, “Opposer’s ILLUMI Family of Marks”). Print-outs from the United States Patent and Trademark Office’s TARR database and ASSIGN database satisfying the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 2.122(d) for submitting a current status and title copy of the pleaded registrations, Reg. Nos. 2632507, 2756703, and 2471539 to make them of record, are submitted herewith.

5. Opposer’s pleaded registrations, Reg. Nos. 2632507, 2756703, and 2471539 all issued prior to the filing date of the opposed application. In addition, the filing date of Opposer’s Application Ser. No. 77747038 precedes the filing date of the opposed application.

6. Opposer is the owner of the mark ILLUMICODE, which it uses in connection with DNA microarrays. Opposer has been using the mark ILLUMICODE in commerce since at least as early as August of 2002, and before any actual use or constructive use of the mark set forth in the opposed application.

7. Opposer is the owner of the mark ILLUMINA CONNECT, which it uses in connection with providing an online forum for users of Opposer’s goods to sharing information about innovative ways to use of Opposer’s goods for DNA and RNA sequencing for scientific and medical research and for clinical diagnostics. Opposer has been using the mark ILLUMINA CONNECT since at least as early as January of 2007, and before any actual use or constructive use of the mark set forth in the opposed application.

8. Opposer is the owner of the mark ILLUMINOTES which is used in connection with newsletters that provides in-depth and timely information about Opposer’s systems, assays

and software, product updates, technical document updates, conference workshops, and webinars.

9. Since well prior to either the filing date of the opposed application or Applicant's first use of the mark set forth in the opposed application, Opposer has been using Opposer's ILLUMI Family of Marks in connection with molecular tests, systems and services for diagnostic purposes, for selection of appropriate therapies and for monitoring of disease progression.

10. The goods set forth in the opposed application are closely related to the goods and services Opposer offers in connection with Opposer's ILLUMI Family of Marks including those set forth in the registrations and applications listed in Paragraph 4 and those specified in Paragraphs 6 through 9.

11. The conditions surrounding the marketing of the goods and services Opposer offers in connection with Opposer's ILLUMI Family of Marks including those set forth in the registrations and applications listed in Paragraph 4 and those specified in Paragraphs 6 through 9, and the conditions surrounding the marketing of the goods set forth in the opposed application are such that they could be encountered by the same purchasers under circumstances that could give rise to the mistaken belief that the parties' goods and/or services come from a common source.

11. The mark set forth in the opposed application is confusingly similar to Opposer's ILLUMI Family of Marks.

12. Opposer's ILLUMI Family of Marks were first used in commerce prior to any actual use or constructive use of the mark set forth in the opposed application, with the exception of Opposer's Application Ser. No. 77747038 which has an earlier filing date as noted supra.

13. Opposer has not abandoned Opposer's ILLUMI Family of Marks.

14. Having made its pleaded registrations of record, Opposer has standing to oppose the opposed application and priority is not an issue in this opposition.

15. Opposer will be damaged by the issuance of a registration based on the opposed application. Specifically, the mark set forth in the opposed application consists of or comprises a mark which so resembles Opposer's ILLUMI Family of Marks as to be likely to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive, under Trademark Act Section 2(d), 15 U.S.C. § 1052(d).

16. Lastly, registration of the mark set forth in the opposed application should be refused pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1052(a), on the grounds that any use by Applicant of the mark ILLUMIPRO-10 will falsely suggest a connection between Applicant and Opposer named herein, to the damage of Opposer.

WHEREFORE, Opposer requests that the opposed application, Ser. No. 7775316, be refused registration.

The required filing fee was previously submitted and it is believed that no further fees are due.

Respectfully submitted,

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Standard Character claim: No

Current Status: Section 8 and 15 affidavits have been accepted and acknowledged.

Date of Status: 2007-12-13

Filing Date: 2000-08-18

Transformed into a National Application: No

Registration Date: 2002-10-08

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United States

Legal Entity Type: Corporation

State or Country of Incorporation: Delaware

GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

International Class: 001

Class Status: Active

chemicals, namely reagents for scientific or medical research use for analyzing cells, proteins, nucleic acids and other molecules of 50 to 10,000 daltons, sequencing DNA, genotyping, gene expression profiling and high through-put screening

Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 2001-02-23

First Use in Commerce Date: 2001-02-23

International Class: 042

Class Status: Active

scientific and medical research, namely, analysis of cells, proteins, nucleic acids and other molecules of 50 to 10,000 daltons,

sequencing DNA, genotyping, gene expression profiling and high through-put screening

Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 2001-10-12

First Use in Commerce Date: 2001-10-12

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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MADRID PROTOCOL INFORMATION

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2002-10-08 - Registered - Principal Register
2002-04-16 - Allowed for Registration - Principal Register (SOU accepted)
2002-04-12 - Assigned To Examiner
2002-03-28 - Statement Of Use Processing Complete
2002-02-28 - Use Amendment Filed
2002-03-28 - Divisional processing completed
2002-02-28 - Divisional request received
2001-08-28 - NOA Mailed - SOU Required From Applicant
2001-06-05 - Published for opposition
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United States

Legal Entity Type: Corporation

State or Country of Incorporation: Delaware

GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

International Class: 009

Class Status: Active

Scientific equipment and instruments, namely scanners, hybridization stations and fluidics delivery and computer systems sold as a unit and cassettes containing molecular sensing optical fiber bundles for analyzing cells, proteins, nucleic acids and other molecules of 50 to 10,000 Dalton, sequencing DNA, genotype, gene expression profiling and high through-put screening

Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 2003-01-09

First Use in Commerce Date: 2003-01-09

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2003-08-26 - Registered - Principal Register
2003-06-24 - Allowed for Registration - Principal Register (SOU accepted)
2003-06-03 - Assigned To Examiner
2003-05-30 - Statement Of Use Processing Complete
2003-02-26 - Use Amendment Filed
2003-03-03 - PAPER RECEIVED
2002-12-09 - Extension 2 granted
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2002-08-06 - Extension 2 filed
2002-08-06 - PAPER RECEIVED
2002-03-28 - Extension 1 granted
2002-02-28 - Extension 1 filed
2002-03-28 - Divisional processing completed
2002-02-28 - Divisional request received
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GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

International Class: 040

Class Status: Active

Developing, to the order and specification of others, biological and/or chemical sensing systems which use random array technology to identify inorganic and organic molecules, compounds and substances

Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 1999-02-00

First Use in Commerce Date: 1999-02-00

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