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Opposition No. 91196580

LinkedIn Corporation

v.

Torridred Inc.

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Opposer's stipulated motion (filed November 23, 2010) to suspend proceedings for settlement negotiations is noted.¹ The motion was filed after the filing of applicant's answer but prior to the deadline for the parties' discovery conference, and does not indicate that the parties have held the mandatory discovery conference.

The Board generally does not grant motions to suspend or extend for settlement negotiations that are filed

¹The filing fails to indicate proof of service on applicant as required by Trademark Rule 2.119. In order to expedite this matter, applicant is directed to the following URL where it may view a copy of the filing:
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between the filing of an answer and the deadline for the discovery conference "precisely because the discovery conference itself provides an opportunity to discuss settlement." *Miscellaneous Changes to Trademark Trial and Appeal Board Rules*, 72 Fed. Reg. 42242, 42245 (Aug. 1, 2007). In view thereof, and in view of the failure to show shown that a variance from the Board's general practice is warranted in this case, the motion to suspend is denied. Dates remain as set in the Board's September 22, 2010 institution order.

If, after the discovery conference is held, the parties wish to suspend proceedings, they are welcome to submit another motion for consideration.