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Opposition No. 91200684

Duckhorn Wine Company

v.

Jeff Hill

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The stipulated protective agreement filed on December 22, 2011 is noted. The parties are referred, as appropriate, to Trademark Rule 2.126(c) and TBMP §§ 412.02, *et seq.* (3d ed. 2011).

The parties are advised that only confidential or trade secret information should be filed pursuant to a stipulated protective agreement.¹ Such an agreement may not be used as a means of circumventing paragraphs (d) and (e) of 37 CFR § 2.27, which provide, in essence, that the file of a published application or issued registration, and all

¹ The Board notes that confidential papers can now be filed via ESTTA, the Board's electronic filing facility. <http://estta.uspto.gov>. Pick the "CONFIDENTIAL Opposition, Cancellation or Concurrent Use" form under the "File Documents in a Board Proceeding" option.

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proceedings relating thereto, should otherwise be available for public inspection.

Discovery and trial dates remain as reset in the Board's September 22, 2011 order.
