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Opposition No. 91205982 (**Parent Case**) Opposition No. 91205984 Opposition No. 91210386

Fertitta Hospitality, LLC

v.

Fertitta Business Management LLC

## Veronica P. White, Paralegal Specialist:

Applicant's consented motion, filed October 26, 2017, to further suspend this proceeding for 90-days is granted for good cause shown.

Because the parties are negotiating for a possible settlement of this case, proceedings remain suspended up to, and including December 26, 2017, subject to the right of either party to request resumption at any time. *See* Trademark Rule 2.117(c), and 2.127(a); and TBMP § 605.02).

If, during the suspension period, either of the parties or their attorneys have a change of address or email address, the Board should be so informed. *See* Trademark Rule 2.18(b)(1).<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Board's records have been updated to reflect Applicant's change of correspondence address (filed October 26, 2017).

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In the event that there is no word from either party concerning the progress of their negotiations, upon conclusion of the suspension period, <u>proceedings shall resume December 27, 2017 without further notice or order from the Board</u>, upon the schedule set forth below.

Time to Answer	1/27/2018
Deadline for Discovery Conference	2/26/2018
Discovery Opens	2/26/2018
Initial Disclosures Due	3/28/2018
Expert Disclosures Due	7/26/2018
Discovery Closes	8/25/2018
Plaintiff's Pretrial Disclosures Due	10/9/2018
Plaintiff's 30-day Trial Period Ends	11/23/2018
Defendant's Pretrial Disclosures Due	12/8/2018
Defendant's 30-day Trial Period Ends	1/22/2019
Plaintiff's Rebuttal Disclosures Due	2/6/2019
Plaintiff's 15-day Rebuttal Period Ends	3/8/2019
Plaintiff's Opening Brief Due	5/7/2019
Defendant's Brief Due	6/6/2019
Plaintiff's Reply Brief Due	6/21/2019
Request for Oral Hearing (optional) Due	7/1/2019

Generally, the Federal Rules of Evidence apply to Board trials. Trial testimony is taken and introduced out of the presence of the Board during the assigned testimony periods. The parties may stipulate to a wide variety of matters, and many requirements relevant to the trial phase of Board proceedings are set forth in Trademark Rules 2.121 through 2.125. These include pretrial disclosures, the manner and timing of taking testimony, matters in evidence, and the procedures for submitting and serving testimony and other evidence, including affidavits, declarations, deposition transcripts and stipulated evidence. Trial briefs shall be submitted in accordance with Trademark Rules 2.128(a) and (b). Oral argument at final hearing will be scheduled only upon the timely submission of a separate notice as allowed by Trademark Rule 2.129(a).

As a final matter, the parties are reminded of their continuing obligation to provide a detailed progress report with all future extension and suspension requests filed with the Board. Absent such a report, any future motion to extend or suspend will be denied, even if agreed to by the parties.