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May 11, 2023

In re Smith Industries, Inc.

Ex Parte Appeal No. 90872817

Appeal received: **05/11/2023**

Brief due: **07/10/2023**

ESTTA1284601

Appellant filed a notice of appeal and fee on the date indicated above. The appeal was filed under the provisions of Trademark Rule 2.141(a) from a final refusal in above-identified application and is hereby instituted.

Appellant must file its appeal brief, with the required fee, within sixty days of the appeal. Failure to file the brief may result in dismissal of the appeal. Trademark Rules 2.142(b)(1) and 2.6(a)(18); TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD MANUAL OF PROCEDURE (TBMP) § 1203.02(a).

The Trademark Rules of Practice provide that the Trademark Examining Attorney shall file a written brief answering Appellant's brief and shall send a copy of the brief to Appellant within sixty days after Appellant's brief is sent to the Examining Attorney. Appellant may file a reply brief within twenty days from the mailing date of the Examining Attorney's brief. If an oral hearing is desired,

Appellant must file a separate request accompanied by the required fee not later than ten days after the due date for Appellant's reply brief. Trademark Rules 2.142, 2.6(a)(18) and 2.6(a)(24).

Briefs must meet each of the requirements prescribed in Trademark Rule 2.126, which states that submissions must be made to the Board via ESTTA. *See* Trademark Rule 2.142(b)(2). ESTTA forms for electronic filings are available at <https://estta.uspto.gov>. Board proceeding files can be viewed using TTABVUE at <https://ttabvue.uspto.gov>.