

**United States Patent and Trademark Office
Trademark Trial and Appeal Board**
2900 Crystal Drive
Arlington, Virginia 22202-3513

Opposition No. 9111517

APPLEBEE'S INTERNATIONAL, INC.

v.

SOCIETE DES PRODUITS NESTLE S.A., BY ASSIGNMENT FROM THE STOUFFER CORPORATION

Mailed: March 26, 2003

Hearing Date: June 11, 2003

Time: 1:00PM

9th Floor, South Tower
2900 Crystal Drive
Arlington, VA 22202

The Board has scheduled an oral hearing in the above identified proceeding on the date and at the time indicated above.

If any party, or its attorney, does not appear when the case is called, that party's right to an oral hearing will be considered to have been waived.

In the case of an oral hearing on an ex parte appeal, oral arguments will be limited to twenty minutes for the applicant and ten minutes for the Examining Attorney, unless a longer period is requested and permitted in advance of the date set. The applicant may reserve part of its time for rebuttal.

In the case of an oral hearing on an inter partes proceeding, oral arguments will be limited to thirty minutes for the plaintiff and thirty minutes for the defendant. The plaintiff may reserve part of its time for rebuttal.

Any party who intends not to be present for the oral hearing should notify the Board in advance of the hearing date.

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The Board will reschedule an oral hearing, at the request of a party, if there is a reasonable basis for the request. But, absent compelling circumstances or the consent of the opposing party, the Board will not change a hearing date if the request to reschedule is made within two weeks of the scheduled hearing date. A party who wants to reschedule an oral hearing should first notify the Board by telephone [(703) 308-9300 ext. 131] and then submit to the Board, by fax [(703) 308-9092], a written request to reschedule, stating the reasons for the request and whether the opposing party has consented to the rescheduling.

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