

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
Trademark Trial and Appeal Board  
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Opposition Nos. 91157650  
91157920  
91158063  
91158358

Mitchell Goldman

v.

Hasbro, Inc.

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Consolidation

These cases now come up on opposer's motion to consolidate filed May 25, 2004. A review of the pleadings in the above-identified opposition proceedings indicates that the parties are the same and the proceedings involve substantially identical questions of fact and law.

Since the marks sought to be registered by applicant in each of its applications are similar and inasmuch as opposer has in each instance challenged applicant's right of registration on the basis that its registrations here involved are very similar, it is believed that these proceedings may be presented on the same record without

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appreciable inconvenience or confusion. Moreover, the consolidation would be equally advantageous to both parties in the avoidance of the duplication of effort, loss of time, and the extra expense involved in conducting the proceedings individually. See Rule 42(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

The consolidated cases may be presented on the same record and briefs. See, *Helene Curtis Industries Inc. v. Suave Shoe Corp.*, 13 USPQ2d 1618 (TTAB 1989). As a general rule, from this point on only a single copy of any paper or motion should be filed herein; but that copy should bear all proceeding numbers in its caption. Exceptions to the general rule of one copy involve stipulated extensions of the discovery and trial dates and briefs on the case, which require additional copies. See Trademark Rules 2.121(d) and 2.128.

Despite being consolidated, each proceeding retains its separate character. The decision on the consolidated cases shall take into account any differences in the issues raised by the respective pleadings and a copy of the decision shall be placed in each proceeding file.

The parties are further advised that they are to periodically inform the Board if any subsequent oppositions are instituted which involve the same parties and the same issues.

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In accordance with standard Board practice, the dates governing these proceedings are the dates set forth in the "youngest" or latest filed proceeding. They are:

Thirty-day testimony period for party in position of plaintiff to close:	August 21, 2004
Thirty-day testimony period for party in position of defendant to close:	October 20, 2004
Fifteen-day rebuttal testimony Period for plaintiff to close:	December 4, 2004

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