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Opposition No. **91162312**
Serial No. **75516127**

Lakland Musical Instruments,
LLC

v.

Fender Musical Instruments
Corporation

Andrew P. Baxley, Interlocutory Attorney:

The Board notes that numerous notices of opposition to the registration of the proposed mark in application Serial No. 76516127 have been filed. In view of the substantial number of oppositions based on essentially similar claims that have been brought against the involved application, the Board, flowing from its inherent authority to control the scheduling of cases on its docket, finds that any and all issues relating to the pleadings in these proceedings should be resolved before the proceedings move any further forward.

Accordingly, proceedings herein are **suspended**, except for purposes of filing an answer and papers in connection with motions related to the pleadings in this proceeding and any proceedings yet to be instituted against the involved application.

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Once answers are filed and issues related to the pleadings are resolved in all of the proceedings at issue, the Board will consider the issue of consolidation and/or continued suspension of the proceedings. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 42(a); Trademark Rule 2.117(a); and TBMP Sections 510.02(a) and 511.