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Opposition No. 91171182
(parent case)
Opposition No. 91171183
Opposition No. 91171184
Cancellation No. 92046243

Harrah's License Company,
LLC

v.

Game Show Network, LLC

Cheryl Butler, Attorney, Trademark Trial and Appeal Board:

Now before the Board is defendant's November 1, 2006 motion to consolidate Cancellation No. 92046243 with three previously consolidated opposition proceedings, namely, Opposition Nos. 91171182 (parent); 91171183 and 91171184. Plaintiff filed a consent thereto on November 14, 2006.

When cases involving common questions of law or fact are pending before the Board, the Board may order the consolidation of the cases. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 42(a); see also, *Regatta Sport Ltd. v. Telux-Pioneer Inc.*, 20 USPQ2d 1154 (TTAB 1991) and *Estate of Biro v. Bic Corp.*, 18 USPQ2d 1382 (TTAB 1991).

Defendant's now consented motion to consolidate is granted inasmuch as the parties are the same and the proceedings involve common questions of law or fact. In view thereof, Cancellation No. 92046243 and Opposition Nos. 91171182; 91171183 and 91171184 are hereby consolidated.

The consolidated cases may be presented on the same record and briefs. See *Internet Inc. v. Corporation for National Research Initiatives*, 38 USPQ2d 1435, n.2 (TTAB 1996) and *Hilson Research Inc. v. Society for Human Resource Management*, 26 USPQ2d 1423 (TTAB 1993).

The Board file will be maintained in Opposition No. 91171182 as the "parent" case. 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 each proceeding number in its caption, with the parent case listed first.

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; a copy of the decision shall be placed in each proceeding file.

As stipulated by the parties, trial dates, including the closing date of discovery for these consolidated proceedings, are reset to those dates previously set by the

Board in Cancellation No. 92046243, as indicated below.

Trademark Rule 2.121(d).

DISCOVERY PERIOD TO CLOSE: **3/25/2007**

Testimony period for party in position of plaintiff
to close: (opening thirty days prior thereto) **6/23/2007**

Testimony period for party in position of defendant
to close:(opening thirty days prior thereto) **8/22/2007**

Rebuttal testimony period to close:
(opening fifteen days prior thereto) **10/6/2007**

In each instance, a copy of the transcript of testimony together with copies of documentary exhibits, must be served on the adverse party within thirty days after completion of the taking of testimony. Trademark Rule 2.125.

Briefs shall be filed in accordance with Trademark Rule 2.128(a) and (b). An oral hearing will be set only upon request filed as provided by Trademark Rule 2.129.
