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Duke University,	Opposition No. 91216233
Plaintiff-Opposer	
VS	
John Wayne Enterprises, LLC,	
Defendant-Applicant	

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OPPOSER'S SURREPLY IN OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO SUSPEND PROCEEDINGS

First, Opposer respectfully notes that Applicant has not substantively responded to the points raised by Opposer in response to Applicant's motion—including the fact that Applicant has not met any part of its burden with respect to showing why suspension should be granted. Applicant should thus be deemed to have conceded that Opposer is correct as to those issues. On the merits, therefore, Applicant's motion should be denied.

Second, insofar as Applicant's sole point—a red herring allegation that Applicant intends to successfully object to one of the law firms whom Opposer has retained to assist it in California—Applicant once again provides no evidence in support of its allegation. They did not provide any evidence because none exists: no such motion has been filed although Applicant has filed a paper claiming—as it claimed to this Board—that it intends to file such a motion in the future (allegedly, "later this week"). Opposer's motion to dismiss the California lawsuit still is set for hearing on September 8.1

In short, Enterprise's conduct demonstrates a pattern of intentional delay, reinforcing

Opposer's arguments made in its brief in chief. The purported last-minute efforts by Enterprises
to introduce collateral issues into the litigation, particularly ones that Enterprises contends should

¹ Opposer points out that no disqualification motion or threat of such a motion involves the law firm of the undersigned. If such a motion were to be filed, whether alleging disqualification grounds as to Opposer's California-based counsel or as to the law firm of the undersigned, it would be resisted as utterly groundless. And, if such a motion ever is filed, there is no reason to believe that the Court would delay ruling on a jurisdictional motion that involves no confidential information relating to Enterprises, in any event, solely to accommodate a last-ditch, untimely effort by Applicant to delay what Opposer believes is the inevitable dismissal of its action.

cause delay of that proceeding, counsel strongly in favor of keeping the TTAB proceeding on schedule toward a prompt resolution.

Opposer respectfully requests that Applicant's motion be denied.

Respectfully submitted this the 26th day of August, 2014.

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