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Cancellation No. 91222054

Fratelli Branca Distillerie S.r.l.

v.

Absente, LLC

Amy Matelski, Paralegal Specialist:

The Board notes Opposer's amended notice of opposition filed July 6, 2015 which is Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a)(2), which is applicable to Board proceedings by operation of Trademark Rule 2.116(a).¹ In view thereof, Opposer's amended notice of opposition is accepted and is now its operative pleading in this proceeding.

Applicant's answer to the amended notice of opposition, filed July 28, 2015 is also noted and made of record.

Trial dates are reset as indicated below.

Deadline for Discovery Conference	9/4/2015
Discovery Opens	9/4/2015
Initial Disclosures Due	10/4/2015
Expert Disclosures Due	2/1/2016
Discovery Closes	3/2/2016
Plaintiff's Pretrial Disclosures	4/16/2016
Plaintiff's 30-day Trial Period Ends	5/31/2016

¹ Opposer's notice of service upon applicant of its amended notice of opposition, filed July 21, 2015 is noted.

Defendant's Pretrial Disclosures	6/15/2016
Defendant's 30-day Trial Period Ends	7/30/2016
Plaintiff's Rebuttal Disclosures	8/14/2016
Plaintiff's 15-day Rebuttal Period Ends	9/13/2016

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.