

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
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Mailed: February 27, 2017

Opposition No. 91231813

*Zound Industries International AB*

*v.*

*SP Marketing, Inc.*

**Lalita Webb, Paralegal Specialist:**

Applicant's consented motion filed February 22, 2017, to suspend this proceeding for 60 days is granted.<sup>1</sup>

Because the parties are negotiating for a possible settlement of this case, proceedings are suspended for sixty days, subject to the right of either party to request resumption at any time.<sup>2</sup> See Trademark Rule 2.117(c), and 2.127(a); and TBMP § 605.02).

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<sup>1</sup> Applicant's motion does not indicate proof of service for Opposer, as required by Trademark Rule 2.119. A copy of the motion can be viewed using TTABVUE at <http://ttabvue.uspto.gov>.

<sup>2</sup> The parties should note that if proceedings are suspended for a lengthy period of time pursuant to the filing of several motions to suspend for settlement, the Board retains discretion to condition the approval of any future consented or stipulated motion to suspend on a party or the parties providing necessary information about the status of settlement talks, discovery activities, or trial activities, as may be appropriate. See Trademark Rule 2.117(c).

If, during the suspension period, either of the parties or their attorneys have a change of address or email address, the Board should be so informed. *See* Trademark Rule 2.18(b)(1).

In the event that there is no word from either party concerning the progress of their negotiations, upon conclusion of the suspension period, proceedings shall resume without further notice or order from the Board, upon the schedule set forth below.

Time to Answer	<b>4/28/2017</b>
Deadline for Discovery Conference	<b>5/28/2017</b>
Discovery Opens	<b>5/28/2017</b>
Initial Disclosures Due	<b>6/27/2017</b>
Expert Disclosures Due	<b>10/25/2017</b>
Discovery Closes	<b>11/24/2017</b>
Plaintiff's Pretrial Disclosures	<b>1/8/2018</b>
Plaintiff's 30-day Trial Period Ends	<b>2/22/2018</b>
Defendant's Pretrial Disclosures	<b>3/9/2018</b>
Defendant's 30-day Trial Period Ends	<b>4/23/2018</b>
Plaintiff's Rebuttal Disclosures	<b>5/8/2018</b>
Plaintiff's 15-day Rebuttal Period Ends	<b>6/7/2018</b>

Generally, the Federal Rules of Evidence apply to Board trials. Trial testimony is taken and introduced out of the presence of the Board during the assigned testimony periods. The parties may stipulate to a wide variety of matters, and many requirements relevant to the trial phase of Board proceedings are set forth in Trademark Rules 2.121 through 2.125. These include pretrial disclosures, the manner and timing of taking testimony, matters in evidence, and the procedures for submitting and serving testimony and other evidence, including affidavits, declarations, deposition transcripts and stipulated evidence. Trial briefs shall be submitted in accordance with

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Trademark Rules 2.128(a) and (b). Oral argument at final hearing will be scheduled only upon the timely submission of a separate notice as allowed by Trademark Rule 2.129(a).