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Proceeding no.	91292337
Party	Plaintiff Casio Keisanki Kabushiki Kaisha DBA Casio Computer Co., Ltd.
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Casio Keisanki Kabushiki Kaisha, D/B/A Casio)
Computer Co., Ltd.,)
OPPOSER,)
v.)
Philip Thornton,)
APPLICANT.) OPPOSITION No. 91292337
Mark: KASIO)
Application No. 97872959)
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RESPONSE TO MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO SEEK COUNSEL

Casio Keisanki Kabushiki Kaisha, d/b/a Casio Computer Co., Ltd., (hereinafter, “Casio”) requests that the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board deny the motion from Philip Thornton (hereinafter, “Applicant”) for an extension of time to seek counsel. The motion arises from the Board’s July 2, 2024 Order allowing the Applicant’s prior counsel to withdraw.

In the motion, the Applicant and his counsel attempt to circumvent well-established representation procedures set forth in TBMP 114 and 513.01 requiring that the Applicant represent himself or appoint new counsel by a date certain. Here, the Applicant’s counsel expressly disavows representation of the Applicant in this adversarial proceeding while shifting the apparent goal of the motion to seeking the extension of time for the parties to discuss resolution. The Applicant concedes that Casio has not consented to any extension of time.

The Board's July 2, 2024 Order comes at the very earliest stage of this proceeding with the reasonable requirement that the Applicant appoint new counsel or, alternatively, express his decision to represent himself. As this opposition proceeding should go forward in an orderly manner without undue delay, Casio respectfully requests that the Board deny the Applicant's motion and grant further appropriate relief and guidance.

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