

**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

HARRY I. MOATZ)
Acting Director, Office of)
Enrollment and Discipline)
)
v.)
)
E. MICHAEL COMBS)
Respondent)
_____)

Proceeding No. D99-11

FINAL ORDER

The attached Affidavit of resignation from Respondent, E. Michael Combs, conforming to the requirements set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 10.133(b) and (c), is hereby APPROVED AND ENTERED. Accordingly, it is:

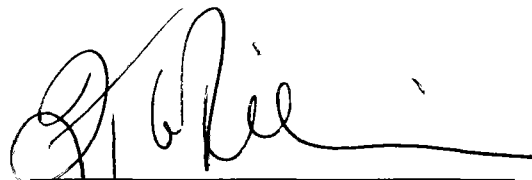
ORDERED that E. Michael Combs be excluded on consent.

ORDERED that the Director publish the following notice in the Official Gazette:

Notice of Resignation

E. Michael Combs, of Huntsville, Alabama, whose registration number is 34,992, has been excluded on consent commencing as of _____. This action is taken under 35 U.S.C. § 32 and 37 C.F.R. § 10.133(b) and (c).

FEB 16 2000
Date



Q. Todd Dickinson
Assistant Secretary of Commerce and
Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Attachment: Resignation Affidavit

cc: **Harry I. Moatz**
Office of Enrollment and Discipline

David Ross Rosenfeld, Esquire
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AFFIDAVIT OF RESIGNATION UNDER 37 CFR 10.133 (b) and (c)

Effective on this date, I, E. Michael Combs, the undersigned Practitioner, hereby submit my resignation from practice before the Patent and Trademark Office under the provisions of 37 CFR 10.133(b) and (c).

This resignation meets the criterion of 37 CFR 10.133(c), in that it is being submitted prior to the date set by the administrative law judge for a hearing.

Practitioner further declares that:

- (1) My resignation is freely and voluntarily proffered.
- (2) I am not acting under duress or coercion from the Patent and Trademark Office.
- (3) I am fully aware of the implications of filing this resignation.
- (4) I am fully aware of charges arising from a complaint filed under 37 CFR 10.134 by Harry I. Moatz, Acting Director of the Office of Enrollment and Discipline, the complaint being identified as proceeding No. D99-11 as noted above and filed with the administrative law judge, the Honorable William B. Moran, on October 13, 1999. The complaint alleges

that I am guilty of a violation of the Patent and Trademark Office Code of Professional Responsibility as specifically set forth in the counts therein.

(5) I acknowledge that, if and when I apply for reinstatement under 37 CFR 10.160, the Director will conclusively presume, for the limited purpose of determining the application for reinstatement, that:

(i) The facts upon which the complaint is based are true and

(ii) I could not have successfully defended myself against the charges set out in the complaint filed against me.

February 14, 2000

E. Michael Combs

E. Michael Combs
Practitioner
Registration No.: 34,992

[Signature] 2/14/2000
Notary Public

My Commission Expires 06-02-2002