UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Matter of:)
Boney M. Patel,) Proceeding No. D2024-25
Respondent)

AMENDED FINAL ORDER PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 11.25¹

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.25, the interim suspension of Boney M. Patel ("Respondent") from the practice of patent, trademark, and other non-patent law before the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") is hereby ordered for violations of 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.804(b), and/or 11.804(c), or, in the alternative 11.804(i). It is further ordered that the "Disciplinary Complaint Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 32 and 37 C.F.R. § 11.25" be referred to a hearing officer for the purpose of conducting a formal disciplinary proceeding.

Background

On July 20, 2023, the Circuit Court of Cook County issued an order in *People of the State* of Illinois v. Patel, Boney M & Case Number 21CR0983101 criminal sex assault/force (attempt) and unlawful restraint.

On November 20, 2024, a "Notice and Order Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.25" ("Notice and Order"), mailed by certified mail (receipt numbers 7019 2970 0001 7905 6199 and 7021 2720 0002 1228 6424), notified Respondent that the Deputy General Counsel for Enrollment and Discipline and Director of the Office of Enrollment and Discipline ("OED Director") had filed a

¹ This Amended Final Order provides the correct email address of the HUD Office of Hearings and Appeals where Respondent shall file any written answer to the Complaint. The Final Order issued on April 14, 2025 is void and is superceded by this Amended Final Order. The date of this Amended Final Order shall be used to determine or calculate the dates of all deadlines and effective dates referenced herein.

"Request for Notice, Order, Interim Suspension, and Referral for Further Proceedings Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.25" requesting that the Director of the USPTO impose an interim suspension upon Respondent predicated on evidence that Respondent committed a serious crime, which was a felony offense of criminal sex assault/force (attempt), together with a "Disciplinary Complaint Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 32 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.19 and 11.25" ("Complaint"). The Notice and Order was not able to be delivered to the Respondent. The Notice and Order was thus also published in the Official Gazette on February 4, 2025 and February 11, 2025. Respondent has not filed a response to the Notice and Order.

Analysis

In light of Respondent's failure to file a response, it is hereby determined that there is no genuine issue of material fact under 37 C.F.R. § 11.25 and an interim suspension of Respondent from the practice of patent, trademark, and non-patent law before the USPTO is appropriate.

ACCORDINGLY, it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

- 1. Respondent be suspended on an interim basis from the practice of patent, trademark, and other non-patent law before the USPTO effective the date of this Final Order;
- 2. Respondent is granted limited recognition to practice before the Office commencing on the date of this Order and expiring thirty (30) days after the date this Order is signed, with such limited recognition being granted for the sole purpose of facilitating Respondent's compliance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 11.58(b);
- 3. The Complaint (a copy of which is attached hereto) is referred, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 11.25(b)(5), to a hearing officer for the purpose of conducting a formal disciplinary proceeding;

4. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.36, within thirty (30) days from the date of this Final Order, Respondent's written answer to the Complaint shall be filed with the hearing officer addressed as follows:

If sent by mail:

Docket Clerk

HUD Office of Hearings and Appeals

451 7th Street, S.W.

Room B-133

Washington, D.C. 20410

If hand-delivered: (e.g., via Federal Express or other delivery service) Docket Clerk

HUD Office of Hearings and Appeals

409 3rd Street, S.W.

Suite 201

Washington, D.C. 20024

and Respondent must also file a PDF version of the answer with the hearing office via email to: OHA_filings@hud.gov

and a copy of the answer shall be served on the OED Director by mail to:

Sydney O. Johnson, Senior Counsel for Enrollment and Discipline Litigation Mail Stop 8 Office of the Solicitor P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

5. The OED Director shall publish the following Notice in the *Official Gazette*:

Notice of Interim Suspension

This notice concerns Boney M. Patel of Wayne, Illinois, who is a registered patent attorney (Registration Number 72,808). Mr. Patel has been suspended from practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office in patent, trademark and other non-patent matters on an interim basis pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.25(b) by the United States Patent and Trademark Office for having been convicted of two counts of attempted sexual assault with force and one count of aggravated battery. The Disciplinary Complaint alleges that Respondent violated 37 C.F.R. § 11.804(b) and is predicated upon a Respondent's guilty plea and conviction on July 20, 2023. Certified Statements of Conviction/Disposition of *People of the State of Illinois vs. Patel, Boney*

M dated May 21, 2024 and July 23, 2024, in People of the State of Illinois v. Patel, Boney M & Case Numbers 21CR0191501, 21CR0218001, and 21CR0983101, show that Mr. Boney was convicted for grabbing and forcing a victim onto a bed, making physical contact of an insulting or provoking nature with an emergency medical technician and grabbing a victim by the buttock and hip, pulling the victim to Mr. Patel's body by the use of force or threat of force.

This action is taken pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 32 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.25 and 11.59. Disciplinary decisions are available for public review at the Office of Enrollment and Discipline's FOIA Reading Room, located at: https://foiadocuments.uspto.gov/oed/.

- 6. The OED Director shall give notice of this Final Order to i) appropriate employees of the USPTO; ii) interested departments, agencies, and courts of the United States; and iii) appropriate authorities of any state in which Respondent is known to be a member of the bar;
 - 7. Respondent shall comply with 37 C.F.R. § 11.58;
- 8. The USPTO shall dissociate Respondent's name from any Customer Number(s) and USPTO verified Electronic System account(s), if any;
- 9. Respondent shall not apply for a USPTO Customer Number, shall not obtain a USPTO Customer Number, nor shall he have his name added to a USPTO Customer number, unless and until he is reinstated to practice before the USPTO;
- 10. If Respondent seeks a review of this suspension, any review shall not operate to postpone or otherwise hold in abeyance the suspension; and
 - 11. Such other and further relief as the nature of this cause shall require.

(signature page follows)

(signature page for Final Order (D2024-25))

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Tricia Choe Associate General Counsel for General Law United States Patent and Trademark Office

on behalf of

Coke Morgan Stewart Acting Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Acting Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the foregoing AMENDED FINAL ORDER PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 11.25 was sent, on this day, to parties in the manner indicated below:

Via first class certified mail, return receipt requested, to Respondent at the addresses provided to the OED Director pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.11(a):

Mr. Boney M. Patel 4N511 Anthony Court Wayne, Illinois 60184

and to where the OED Director reasonably believes Respondent receives mail:



Via e-mail to the OED Director:

Sydney Johnson

Counsel for the OED Director

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Date

United States Patent and Trademark Office

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450