UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE DIRECTOR

In re Lisa Brewer Buffaloe,

Decision on Request for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 2.145(e)

Applicant.

Application Serial No. 87/880,862

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

On November 1, 2019, Applicant Lisa Brewer Buffaloe ("Applicant"), filed a request for an extension of time of two months within which to file an appeal of the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board's September 18, 2019, decision affirming the refusal to register the mark of Applicant's Application Serial No. 87/880,862. The request is GRANTED for the reasons set forth below.

Under 37 C.F.R. § 2.145(e)(1)(i), the Director may extend the time for seeking judicial review of a Board decision for good cause if the request is made in writing before the period for filing an appeal or commencing a civil action expires. Under 37 C.F.R. § 2.145(d), the period for filing a notice of appeal or a civil action expires sixty-three (63) days from the date of the final decision of the Board. The Board's final decision was mailed on September 18, 2019, making the filing of any notice of appeal of such decision due no later than November 20, 2019. Accordingly, this request for an extension of time is timely and considered under the good cause standard.

Counsel for Applicant avers that he has been and continues to be engaged in extensive international and domestic business travel during October, November, and

early December and as a result has not been able to fully consider and assess with Applicant whether: (a) to appeal and/or; (b) seek reconsideration of the Board's decision (as to which the Board has extended the deadline to file until December 18, 2019). As a result, Applicant needs additional time to consult with her attorney and evaluate the merits of these respective options.

The Director finds that there is good cause for the requested two-month extension of time to seek judicial review. Accordingly, the request for extension of time is GRANTED. Applicant has an additional two months from November 20, 2019 (*i.e.*, through and including January 21, 2020, due to the federal holiday on January 20, 2020), within which to file a notice of appeal of the Board's September 18, 2019, decision.

ANDREI IANCU,

Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office

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