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the law to use those practical lessons to the same extent as skill and know-how otherwise known in the field. The engineer cannot, however, go further in his new job with a new employer and misappropriate specific engineering solutions developed by his prior employer, even those developed by him or her, where such specific solutions qualify as a trade secret. It is for the jury to decide in each case whether the engineer has misappropriated a trade secret versus merely used practical lessons from his prior employment.

## IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: October 24, 2017.

WILLIAM ALSUP UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE