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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
ORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

IRONWORKS PATENTS LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO., LTD., et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 17-cv-01958-HSG

ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO DISMISS CLAIM REGARDING '125 PATENT

Re: Dkt. No. 120

Pending before the Court is Plaintiff's motion to dismiss one patent from this action. Dkt. No. 120 ("Mot."). Specifically, Plaintiff seeks dismissal with prejudice of Count III of its complaint relating to United States Patent Number 5,553,125 (the "125 patent"). Mot. at 1. The '125 Patent expired in 2013. Id. Defendant does not oppose Plaintiff's request. See Dkt. No. 132 ("Non-Opp."). Defendant asks only that the Court defer a decision on attorney fees and costs until the Court reaches a final disposition of this action. See Non-Opp. at 1. Plaintiff responds by arguing that the Court should decline to award fees and costs to Defendant. Dkt. No. 134 at 1–4. The Court finds any award of fees and costs is appropriately addressed at the time of a final disposition of this action. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 54(d) (allowing a prevailing party to recover costs, and permitting an award of attorney fees where appropriate). Plaintiff provides no good cause for the Court to address attorney fees and costs at this stage. The Court thus **GRANTS** Plaintiff's motion, and defers the question of fees and costs until it reaches a final disposition of this action. The Court will separately address any counterclaims relating to the '125 Patent. See Dkt. No. 101.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: 11/16/2017

United States District Judge