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24 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
25 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

26 ILLINOIS COMPUTER RESEARCH, LLC,
27 Plaintiff and Counterclaim Defendant,

28 vs.

29 FISH & RICHARDSON P.C.,
30 Defendant, Counterclaimant and Third
31 Party Plaintiff,

32 vs.

33 SCOTT C. HARRIS,
34 Third-Party Defendant and
35 Counterclaimant

36 vs.

37 FISH & RICHARDSON P.C.,
38 Defendant, Counterclaimant, Third
39 Party Plaintiff and Counterclaim
40 Defendant

Miscellaneous Action No.
CV 5:08-mc-80075-JF (HRL)

**RICHARD FRENKEL'S MOTION
FOR LEAVE TO SUBMIT
SUPPLEMENTAL
DECLARATIONS IN SUPPORT OF
MOTION TO QUASH SUBPOENA
AND FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER**

Hon. Magistrate Judge Howard Lloyd

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1 Richard Frenkel (“Frenkel”), a non-party to the underlying case,¹ respectfully
2 requests leave to submit Supplemental Declarations of Richard Frenkel and Charles L.
3 Babcock in Support of Motion to Quash Subpoena and for Protective Order, attached as
4 Exhibit “A” and “B” to Babcock’s Declaration. Frenkel will suffer prejudice if he does not
5 have an opportunity to respond to certain false allegations made against him by Illinois
6 Computer Research LLC (“ICR”) and Scott C. Harris (“Harris”) (collectively, “Issuers”) for
7 the first time in Issuers’ Response to Frenkel’s and Cisco’s Motion to Quash ICR’s
8 Subpoena for Documents and Testimony (“Response”) (N.D. Cal. Case 5:08-mc-80075-JF-
9 HRL, docket no. 21). Accordingly, Frenkel seeks leave to correct and clarify the factual
10 record, as Issuers have made numerous false claims that go to the heart of whether this Court
11 should enforce their subpoena against Frenkel.
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14 Frenkel’s and Babcock’s Supplemental Declarations respond to and refute the
15 factually incorrect assumptions Issuers rely on to support their subpoena, including the
16 allegations that “Frenkel had (and evidently still has) close ties with Fish, its head of
17 litigation, Kathi Lutton, with John Steele and with now-dismissed defendant Google’s Head
18 of Patent and Patent Strategy, Michelle Lee” (he did not and does not); and that “the four of
19 them were on the faculty of the Advanced Patent Law Institute” (true, but so were many
20 others, and neither Lutton, Steele, nor Lee were on Frenkel’s panel); and that he “appeared
21 together [with Lutton and another Fish attorney, John Dragseth] on a May 30, 2007 webinar”
22 (true, but he never discussed ICR, Harris, or the Chicago case with anyone at Fish, including
23 Lutton and Dragseth); and that he was involved in a patent lawsuit in which “Fish (and
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27 ¹ *Illinois Computer Research LLC v. Fish & Richardson, P.C.*, pending in the United
28 States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, Case No. 07 C
5081 (“the Chicago case”).

1 Lutton specifically) represented Cisco” (true, Frenkel is not directly involved in that
2 litigation although a lawyer he supervises is, and in any event, he never discussed Issuers or
3 the Chicago case with anyone at Fish); and that “Frenkel ... targeted Scott Harris, his
4 lawyers and owners of the Harris patents in an effort to diminish the value of his patents, to
5 discourage their enforcement and to force an assignment of the patent to Fish” (he did not),
6 Response pp. 23-24. Frenkel Supp. Decl. ¶¶ 2-14. Moreover, Issuers falsely claim that
7 Frenkel has not “seriously challenge[d] the relevance of the discovery ICR [and Harris]
8 seeks [sic]” (he has, as evidenced in his Opposition to Issuers’ (now-withdrawn) Motion to
9 Compel, attached as Exhibit “A” to Babcock’s Supplemental Declaration), Response p. 23.
10 Babcock Supp. Decl. Ex. A.
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12 Based on these and other untrue “facts,” Issuers want Frenkel to produce documents
13 and testify at a deposition so that they can determine whether “Fish or Google used Frenkel
14 as a vehicle to aid or assist in the tortious interference with ICR’s and Harris’ licensing and
15 enforcement of the Harris patents or in defaming Harris” (Frenkel had no involvement in
16 such alleged interference or defamation nor did Fish or Google use him as “a vehicle” to do
17 anything), Response p. 24. Frenkel Supp. Decl. ¶¶ 13.
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19 When Frenkel filed his Motion to Quash and for Protective Order on April 7, 2008,
20 he did not know why Issuers believed Frenkel possessed any knowledge or documents that
21 were relevant to or reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence in
22 the Chicago case. Now that Issuers have attempted to elucidate some connection between
23 Frenkel and the parties and purported facts at issue in the Chicago case – first articulated in
24 their Motion to Compel filed on April 7, 2008 (N.D. Cal. Case 5:08-mc-80074-JF-HRL,
25 docket no. 1) (since withdrawn) and now repeated and propped up by additional “facts” in
26 their Response – it is clear that there simply is no connection.
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1 It is no wonder, then, that Issuers take the position in their Response that it would
2 be improper for Frenkel to submit new evidence in reply to their Response. Response pp.
3 9-10. But without an opportunity to respond to these false claims, Frenkel will suffer
4 substantial harm and this Court will not have a full factual record on which to determine
5 whether to quash the subpoena. The Court’s Civil Local Rule 7-3(c), which governs reply
6 briefs, allows Frenkel to include “affidavits and declarations” with his reply. N.D. Cal.
7 Civil L.R. 7-3(c) (“Any reply to an opposition must be served and filed by the moving
8 party not less than 14 days before the hearing date. *The reply may include affidavits or*
9 *declarations*, as well as a supplemental brief or memorandum under Civil L.R. 7-4. ...”)
10 (emphasis added). Further, the Court has discretion whether to consider new evidence
11 presented in support of a reply brief as long as the Court gives the opposing party an
12 opportunity to respond, a response Frenkel welcomes. *See Miller v. Glenn Miller*
13 *Productions, Inc.*, 454 F.3d 975, 979 (9th Cir. 2006) (holding that the district court did not
14 err in considering evidence attached to reply brief because if the opposing party “desired
15 to respond to the new material, it could have asked the district court for permission to do
16 so”); *El Pollo Loco, Inc. v. Hashim*, 316 F.3d 1032, 1040-1041 (9th Cir. 2003) (holding
17 that district court did not abuse discretion when it considered matters raised for the first
18 time in reply brief); *Provenz v. Miller*, 102 F.3d 1478, 1483 (9th Cir. 1996); *Daghlian v.*
19 *DeVry University, Inc.*, 461 F. Supp. 2d 1121, 1144 (C.D. Cal. 2006). Accordingly, this
20 Court should grant Frenkel leave to submit his and Babcock’s Supplemental Declarations.
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22 Wherefore, premises considered, Richard Frenkel respectfully requests that the Court
23 grant leave to allow him to submit the Supplemental Declarations of Richard Frenkel and
24 Charles L. Babcock in Support of Motion to Quash Subpoena and for Protective Order.
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