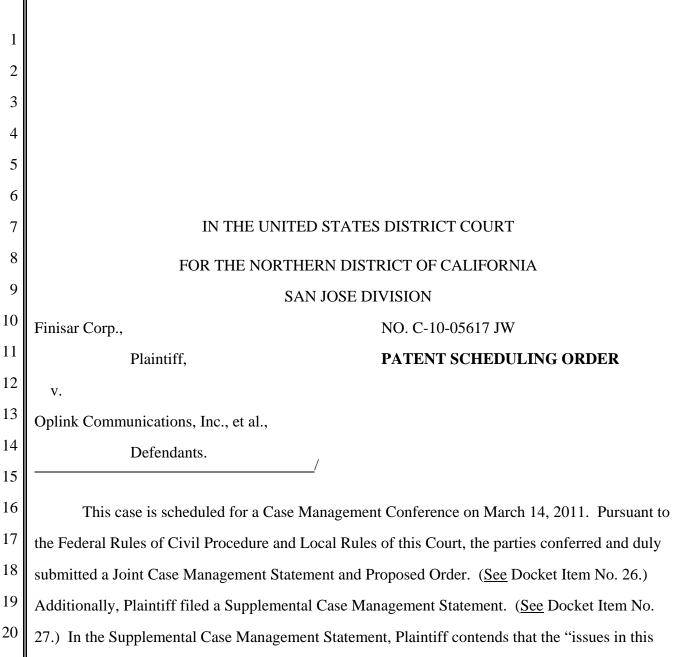
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case may be significantly narrowed by early summary judgment," thereby reducing the discovery burden on the parties (Id at 1-2) However, the Court finds that summary judgment would be

²² burden on the parties. (<u>Id.</u> at 1-2.) However, the Court finds that summary judgment would be
 ²³ premature at this time, and the case shall proceed according to the schedule set out in this Order.

Based on the parties' joint submission, it appears that a schedule for the case can be set
without the necessity of an appearance at this time. Accordingly, the Case Management Conference
is VACATED and the parties are ordered to comply with the following schedule:

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CASE SCHEDULE

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| 2 3 | Infringement Contentions (¶ 1) (≈10 days after the Initial Case Management Conference) | April 1, 2011 | | | | | | | |
| 4 | Invalidity Contentions (¶ 2) (≈45 days after the Initial Case Management Conference) | May 6, 2011 | | | | | | | |
| 5 | Joint Claim Construction and Prehearing Statement (¶ 6) (≈105 days after the Initial Case Management Conference) | July 6, 2011 | | | | | | | |
| 6 7 | Close of Claim Construction Discovery (¶ 7) (≈ 30 days after the Joint Claim Construction and Prehearing Statement) | August 8, 2011September 12, 2011 | | | | | | | |
| 8 | Interim Case Management Conference | | | | | | | | |
| 9 10 | Joint Case Management Statement for Interim Conference (The Statement shall, among other things, update the Court on the parties' readiness for the <u>Markman</u> hearing.) | September 2, 2011 | | | | | | | |
| 11 | Case Tutorial (¶ 8) | October 20, 2011 at 9 a.m. | | | | | | | |
| 12 | Claim Construction Hearing (¶ 9) | October 21, 2001 at 9 a.m. | | | | | | | |
| 13 14 15 | None of the dates set in this Order may be changed without an order of the Court made after a motion is filed pursuant to the Civil Local Rules of Court. | | | | | | | | |
| | A. Initial Disclosures | | | | | | | | |
| 16 | 1. No later than 10 days after the Initial Case Management Conference, the party asserting | | | | | | | | |
| 17 | infringement must serve on all parties a Disclosure of Asserted Claims and Infringement | | | | | | | | |
| 18 | Contentions and make available for inspection and copying the documents described in Patent L.R. | | | | | | | | |
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| 20 | 2. No later than 45 days after the Initial Case Management (| Conference, each opposing party | | | | | | | |
| 21 | shall serve on all parties Invalidity Contentions and produce and ma | ke available for inspection and | | | | | | | |
| 22 | copying the documents described in Patent L.R. 3-3. | | | | | | | | |
| 23 | 3. Amendment of the Infringement Contentions or the Inval | idity Contentions may be made | | | | | | | |
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3. Amendment of the Infringement Contentions or the Invalidity Contentions may be made
only by order of the Court upon a timely showing of good cause. Motions to amend shall be filed
pursuant to the Civil Local Rules of Court and noticed for a hearing before the assigned Magistrate
Judge.

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B. Claim Construction Proceedings 1 2 4. No later than 10 days after filing Invalidity Contentions, all parties must serve on all other 3 parties Proposed Terms and Claim Elements for Construction pursuant to Patent L.R. 4-1. The 4 parties shall thereafter meet and confer for the purposes of limiting the terms in dispute by 5 narrowing or resolving differences and facilitating the ultimate preparation of a Joint Claim 6 Construction and Prehearing Statement. The parties shall also jointly identify the 10 terms likely to 7 be most significant to resolving the parties' dispute, including those terms for which construction 8 may be case or claim dispositive. 9 5. No later than 20 days after exchanging Proposed Terms and Claim Elements for 10 Construction, all parties must serve on all other parties Preliminary Claim Constructions and 11 Extrinsic Evidence pursuant to Patent L.R. 4-2. 12 6. No later than 30 days after exchanging Preliminary Claim Constructions, the parties must 13 file a Joint Claim Construction Statement and Prehearing Statement pursuant to Patent L.R. 4-3. 14 The statement shall be presented in the following chart format: 15 **Disputed Term** Plaintiff's Proposed Defendant's Proposed Construction Construction 16 The parties shall express their proposed construction in a manner suitable for incorporation into a 17 jury instruction. The parties shall identify the terms whose construction will be most significant to 18 the resolution of the case. However, the total terms identified by all parties as most significant 19 cannot exceed 10. 207. Pursuant to Patent L.R. 4-4, all discovery, including depositions of expert witnesses, 21 relating to claim construction must be completed within 30 days of filing the Joint Claim 22 Construction Statement and Prehearing Statement. 23 8. On the date set in the Case Schedule, the parties shall appear before the Court to present a

8. On the date set in the Case Schedule, the parties shall appear before the Court to present a
tutorial. The purpose of the tutorial is to allow each party to inform the Court about the background
of the technical information which is involved in the case and the nature of the dispute.

27 Presentations may include demonstrations, expert testimony, or audio visual materials. No cross-

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record will be made of the proceedings. Statements made during the tutorial may not be cited as
judicial admissions against a party. Each party shall have 45 minutes for their presentation.
Any party wishing for additional time shall make the appropriate administrative motion in
accordance with the Civil Local Rules of Court. See Civ. L.R. 7-11.
9. On the date set in the Case Schedule, the Court will hold a Claim Construction Hearing.
At the hearing the Court will consider only intrinsic evidence to interpret the disputed claims, i.e.,

the claims themselves, the written description portion of the specification and the prosecution history. Pertinent portions of the intrinsic evidence should be highlighted and indexed to the disputed claim language. No testimony will be allowed, unless the Court orders otherwise, based upon a timely motion noticed for hearing at least 10 days prior to the Claim Hearing by any party wishing to present testimony. **Each party shall have one hour for their presentation.** Any party wishing for additional time shall make the appropriate administrative motion in accordance with the Civil Local Rules of Court. <u>See</u> Civ. L.R. 7-11.

examination will be permitted. However, the Court may pose questions to parties or witnesses. No

15 10. Notwithstanding Patent L.R. 4-5, the parties shall comply with the following briefing16 schedule:

a. <u>Opening Brief</u>: The party claiming patent infringement must serve and file its opening brief and supporting evidence on or before the date 35 days prior to the Claim Construction Hearing. Accompanying the brief must be a proposed jury instruction which incorporates the language which the party contends should be adopted in construing the claims.

b. <u>Responsive Brief</u>: Each opposing party must serve and file its responsive brief
and supporting evidence on or before the date 21 days prior to the Claim Construction
Hearing. Accompanying the brief must be a proposed jury instruction which incorporates the
language which the party contends should be adopted in construing the claims.

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c. <u>Reply Brief</u>: The party claiming patent infringement must serve and file any reply brief and supporting evidence on or before the date 14 days prior to the Claim Construction Hearing.

C. Further Case Management Order

11. At the conclusion of the Claim Construction Hearing, the Court will set a date and time for a further Case Management Conference to schedule subsequent events in the case.

D. Procedure Regarding Dispositive Motions in Patent Cases

12. Prior to filing any dispositive motion, the moving party must first advise the Court and opposing counsel of its intention to do so by filing and serving a request for a case management conference regarding dispositive motion(s). The request must outline the undisputed factual basis and legal basis of the proposed motion(s) and a proposed briefing and hearing schedule. The Court may schedule a case management conference to establish the schedule for briefing and hearing the motion(s) in an orderly and efficient manner or may issue an order adopting the schedule proposed by the parties.

Once a hearing date for the motion has been set and the briefing is closed, the moving party shall compile a three ring binder (to be lodged with the Court) containing (1) the motion and any supporting memorandum of law; (2) the opposition memorandum; (3) any reply memorandum; and (4) any exhibits in support or opposition to the motion, which shall be clearly labeled. At the beginning of each binder the moving party shall include, as appropriate, a Chart A or B, in the format described below; each statement shall be supported by appropriate citations to the motion papers and or exhibits.

Chart A - Summary of Infringement Issues

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Construction/Court Construction

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Patent Claim/Elements

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Accused Product

Defense Asserted

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| <u>Chart</u> | t B - Sum | <u>mary of Inv</u> | <u>alidity Issues</u> | | | | | | |
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| Partial Motion for Summary Judgment of Invalidity | ·000 | Claim 3 | Lack of Disclosure of Best Mode | The specification states that the inventor was aware [See '000 Patent, Col 3:5-10] | The refere a different invention. | t | This matter controlled b the Court's claim construction of the following terms: | | |
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