Apple Inc. v. Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd. et al

Exhibit 9

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, SAN JOSE DIVISION

APPLE INC., a California corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO., LTD., a Korean business entity; SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS AMERICA, INC., a New York corporation; SAMSUNG TELECOMMUNICATIONS AMERICA, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, CASE NO. 11-cv-01846-LHK

Defendants.

EXPERT REPORT OF STEPHEN GRAY REGARDING INVALIDITY OF U.S. PATENT NOS. 7,844,915 AND 7,864,163

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1	operation results in a scroll operation, and nowhere limits the scroll operation to a single input
1 2	point, the claims are indefinite. In other words, the meaning of the claims language is unclear in
2	light of the Specification. Specifically, a person of ordinary skill in the art would understand that
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5	according to the Specification a gesture operation could, in at least one embodiment, initiate a
	scroll operation. The same person of ordinary skill could not reconcile this understanding with the
6 7	language of the claims, which call for distinguishing between gesture operations and scroll
8	operations. The Specification describes that a scroll operation is a type of gesture operation.
9	266. All of the asserted Claims of the '915 Patent are also indefinite for another reason.
10	Each of the independent claims recites "the event object invokes a operation." In my 35 years
11	of systems experience, I have never observed a system where an event object invoked a method.
12	Therefore, in my opinion, a person of ordinary skill would not understand that an event object
13	invokes a method in Claims 1, 8 and 15, rendering these claims (and all dependent claims) invalid
14	as indefinite. Additionally, one of the inventors of the '915 Patent, Mr. Platzer, agreed with me at
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16	his deposition:
17	Q. Okay. Turning back to the claim, the claim states, Determining whether the event object invokes a scroll or gesture operation. And
18	my question is what does it mean to invoke a scroll or gesture
19	operation?
20	A. I'm not a lawyer, so I'm not comfortable in defining "invoke" as far as the patent is concerned. I don't recall. But in UIKit, as well as
21	what we would say "invoke" would mean, call a particular function or a set of code that, you know, is executed when the user scrolls or
22	does a gesture.
23	Q. And at the time you filed this patent application in 2007, did you
24	have an understanding of what "invoke" meant as you used it here in the claims?
25	A. I'm not a a lawyer, so I'm not comfortable defining "invoke" in
26	the patent. But as an example, in Objective-C or in many other languages, "invoke" is often used as a synonym for calling a
27	function.
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267. In my opinion, dependent Claims 3, 10, and 17 are also indefinite. These claims 2 recite "attaching scroll indicators to a content edge of the window." While the Specification 3 4 describes attaching "a scroll indicator to a . . . window edge" or "attaching scroll indicators a 5 content edge of a display" (Col. 11, ll. 16-20 and 63-64) (emphasis added), the Specification 6 distinguishes a "content edge" from a "window edge" on two separate occasions (Col. 6, ll. 64-67; 7 Col. 6 l. 67 – Col. 7 l. 3). In other words, while the Specification describes attaching scroll 8 indicators to a "window edge" or a "content edge", the meaning of "content edge of the window" 9 is unclear in light of the Specification. I also note that Claims 4, 11, and 18 are directed to 10 "attaching scroll indicators to the window edge." It is unclear to me what the terms mean. Thus, 11 12 in my opinion, a person of ordinary skill in the art would not understand the difference between a 13 "content edge of the window" and "a window edge"-and the Specification does not anywhere 14 define "content edge of the window." Therefore, the same person of ordinary skill could not 15 reconcile the differentiation of the terms "content edge" and "window edge" with the phrase 16 "content edge of the window" in Claims 3, 10, and 17, rendering these claims invalid as indefinite. 17 268. Additionally, claims 15-18 and 20 are indefinite for failing to disclose the 18 19 corresponding structure for several means-plus-function limitations.

269. It is my opinion that one of ordinary skill in the art would not understand this
proposed construction to disclose a structure. Apple has not identified the particular structure or
algorithm used to perform the claimed functions, and I believe one of ordinary skill in the art
would not understand the necessary structure or algorithm from reading the Patent specification.
It is my opinion that claims 15-18 and 20 are therefore invalid for indefiniteness.

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Just as the term "substantially centered" fails to reasonably apprise a person of
 ordinary skill as to the scope of claim 2, so too does the term "substantially the same" fail to
 reasonably apprise a person of ordinary skill as to the scope of claim 18.

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(c) Means-plus-function Claim (Claim 50 and 52)

5 422. It is my opinion that the specification of the '163 Patent lacks corresponding
6 structure to adequately identify the scope of claims 50 and 52 with the requisite specificity.

7 423. I have reviewed Apple's P.L.R 4-2 disclosures in this case, and I am aware that
8 Apple's position on the means-plus-function elements is that they are limited to "one or more
9 special or general purpose processors programmed with special-purpose software to execute an
10 algorithm."

424. It is my opinion that one of ordinary skill in the art would not understand this
proposed construction to disclose a structure. Apple has not identified the particular algorithm
used to perform the claimed functions, one of ordinary skill in the art could identify the
corresponding algorithms from reading the Patent specification. It is my opinion that claims 50
and 52 are therefore invalid for indefiniteness.

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CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, it is my opinion that every asserted claim in both the '915 Patentand the '163 Patent are invalid.

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