

Exhibit 7
(Submitted Under Seal)

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
3 SAN JOSE DIVISION
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5 APPLE INC., a California
6 corporation,

7 Plaintiff,

8 vs. CASE NO. 11-cv-01846-LHK

9 SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO.,
10 LTD., a Korean business
11 entity; SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS
12 AMERICA, INC., a New York
13 corporation; SAMSUNG
14 TELECOMMUNICATIONS AMERICA,
15 LLC, a Delaware limited
16 liability company,
17 Defendants.

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19 H I G H L Y C O N F I D E N T I A L
20 A T T O R N E Y S ' E Y E S O N L Y

21 VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF PHIL HOBSON
22 REDWOOD SHORES, CALIFORNIA
23 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2012

24 BY: ANDREA M. IGNACIO HOWARD, CSR, RPR, CCRR, CLR
25 CSR LICENSE NO. 9830
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1 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2012
 2 9:10 a.m.
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 6 VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF PHIL HOBSON,
 7 taken at QUINN EMANUEL URQUHART &
 8 SULLIVAN, LLP, 555 Twin Dolphin Drive,
 9 Redwood Shores, California,
 10 Pursuant to Notice, before me,
 11 ANDREA M. IGNACIO HOWARD, CLR, CCRR, RPR,
 12 CSR License No. 9830.
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1 REDWOOD SHORES, CALIFORNIA 08:42
 2 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2012 08:42
 3 9:10 A.M. 08:42
 4 08:42
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 6 08:43
 7 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Good morning. This is the 08:43
 8 start of tape labeled No. 1 of the videotaped 09:09
 9 deposition of Phil Hobson. 09:09
 10 In the matter of Apple, Inc., versus Samsung 09:09
 11 Electronics Company. Being heard in U.S. District 09:09
 12 Court, Northern District of California, San Jose 09:09
 13 Division. No. 11-cv-01846-LHK. 09:09
 14 This deposition is being held at Quinn 09:09
 15 Emanuel, 555 Twin Dolphin Drive, Redwood Shores, 09:09
 16 California on February 28, 2012, at approximately 09:10
 17 9:10 a.m. 09:10
 18 My name is Steve Patapoff. I'm the legal 09:10
 19 video specialist from TSG Reporting, Inc., 09:10
 20 headquartered at 747 Third Avenue, New York, New York. 09:10
 21 The court reporter is Andrea Ignacio, in 09:10
 22 association with TSG Reporting. 09:10
 23 Will counsel please introduce yourselves. 09:10
 24 MR. KIDMAN: Scott Kidman for Samsung. 09:10
 25 MR. GALLEGOS: Hector Gallegos of Morrison & 09:10

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 14 555 Twin Dolphin Drive
 15 Redwood Shores, California 94065
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 19 ALSO PRESENT: Steve Patapoff, Videographer
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1 Foerster, counsel for Apple. 09:10
 2 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Will the court reporter
 3 please swear in the witness.
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 5 PHIL HOBSON,
 6 having been sworn as a witness
 7 by the Certified Shorthand Reporter,
 8 testified as follows:
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 10 EXAMINATION BY MR. KIDMAN
 11 MR. KIDMAN: Q. Good morning. 09:10
 12 A Good morning. 09:10
 13 Q Could you state your name for the record, 09:10
 14 please. 09:10
 15 A Phil Hobson. 09:10
 16 Q And what's your home address? 09:10
 17 A 315 Central Avenue, Menlo Park. 09:11
 18 Q And by whom are you currently employed? 09:11
 19 A Apple. 09:11
 20 Q That didn't take long. 09:11
 21 And how long have you been employed by Apple? 09:11
 22 A About eight years. 09:11
 23 Q Do you recall the date you started? 09:11
 24 A I don't recall. 09:11
 25 Q Do you recall the year you started? 09:11

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1 it was formed. 10:08
 2 And so what were the issues that you 10:08
 3 interfaced with the operations group about regarding 10:08
 4 the aluminum housing and how it was formed? 10:08
 5 MR. GALLEGOS: Objection; form. 10:08
 6 THE WITNESS: I can give you an example of -- 10:08
 7 of one issue. 10:08
 8 MR. KIDMAN: Okay. 10:08
 9 THE WITNESS: So the -- the tooling for 10:08
 10 making the housing in this particular shape was fairly 10:08
 11 complex. So working together with operations to 10:08
 12 figure out exactly the configuration of the tooling to 10:08
 13 make the housing. 10:08
 14 MR. KIDMAN: Q. And when you refer to the 10:09
 15 tooling for making the -- the housing in this 10:09
 16 particular shape, are you referring to the -- the 10:09
 17 shape of the housing in the product as it -- as it was 10:09
 18 shipped? 10:09
 19 A Yes. 10:10
 20 Q And how would you describe the shape of the 10:10
 21 housing of the original iPhone product that was 10:10
 22 shipped? 10:10
 23 A It was an aluminum shell that was open on 10:10
 24 one -- one end. 10:10
 25 Q Do you recall other shapes for the housing 10:10

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1 recall specifically what they looked like. 10:12
 2 Q Did you interact with operations with respect 10:12
 3 to the tooling for the aluminum -- aluminum extrusion? 10:12
 4 A I don't recall. 10:13
 5 Q Do you recall interacting with operations for 10:13
 6 any purpose regarding the aluminum -- aluminum 10:13
 7 extrusion-shaped housing? 10:13
 8 A I don't recall. 10:13
 9 Q Do you recall interacting with the industrial 10:13
 10 design group regarding the aluminum -- aluminum 10:13
 11 extrusion-shaped housing? 10:13
 12 A I don't remember specific interactions, but 10:13
 13 I'm sure that we did. 10:13
 14 Q Do you recall generally interacting with the 10:13
 15 industrial design group regarding the aluminum -- 10:13
 16 aluminum extrusion-shaped housing? 10:13
 17 A Yes. 10:13
 18 Q What do you recall about those interactions? 10:13
 19 A Again, I don't remember any specific meetings 10:13
 20 or interactions. 10:14
 21 Q I understand you might not recall a specific 10:14
 22 meeting or a specific interaction, but what do you 10:14
 23 recall generally about the nature of those 10:14
 24 interactions? 10:14
 25 MR. GALLEGOS: Objection; form. 10:14

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1 being considered that were not adopted? 10:10
 2 A Yes. 10:10
 3 Q What other shapes? What -- what shapes do 10:10
 4 you recall being considered for the housing that were 10:10
 5 not adopted? 10:11
 6 MR. GALLEGOS: Objection; vague. 10:11
 7 THE WITNESS: Shape in -- in what way? 10:11
 8 MR. KIDMAN: Q. In -- in the same way that 10:11
 9 you described for me the housing shape as being an 10:11
 10 aluminum shell open on one end. 10:11
 11 MR. GALLEGOS: Objection; form. 10:11
 12 THE WITNESS: One shape that was considered 10:11
 13 was an aluminum extrusion. 10:11
 14 MR. KIDMAN: Q. Do you recall other shapes 10:11
 15 that were considered but not adopted? 10:11
 16 A Yes. 10:11
 17 Q What other ones? 10:11
 18 A A small plastic housing. I don't know how to 10:11
 19 describe it. 10:12
 20 Q Any others? 10:12
 21 A Those were the main ones that -- that we 10:12
 22 considered. 10:12
 23 Q Do you recall any others that were 10:12
 24 considered? 10:12
 25 A ID looked at a variety of shapes, and I don't 10:12

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1 THE WITNESS: I can only comment generally 10:14
 2 how we work on a project. Specifically for that form 10:14
 3 factor, I don't remember. I don't remember any 10:14
 4 interactions with them specifically. 10:14
 5 MR. KIDMAN: Q. And I understand you might 10:14
 6 not recall a specific conversation or a specific 10:14
 7 meeting, but do you recall anything about the nature 10:14
 8 of the interactions -- 10:14
 9 MR. GALLEGOS: Objection. 10:14
 10 MR. KIDMAN: Q. -- of the industrial design 10:14
 11 group regarding the aluminum extrusion-shaped housing? 10:14
 12 A No, I don't. 10:14
 13 Q Do you recall any interactions with the 10:14
 14 industrial design group regarding the -- what you 10:15
 15 referred to as the small plastic housing that was 10:15
 16 considered for the original iPhone? 10:15
 17 A Again, no, I don't remember specific 10:15
 18 interaction. 10:15
 19 Q How about generally, do you recall any 10:15
 20 interactions? 10:15
 21 A I don't. 10:15
 22 Q Do you have any -- any understanding as to 10:15
 23 why the aluminum -- aluminum extrusion-shaped housing 10:15
 24 was not adopted for the original iPhone? 10:15
 25 A I don't. 10:15

JURAT

I, PHIL HOBSON, do hereby certify under Penalty of perjury that I have read the foregoing transcript of my deposition taken on February 28 2012; that I have made such corrections as appear noted herein in ink, initialed by me; that my testimony as contained herein, as corrected, is true and correct.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 2012, at _____, California.

SIGNATURE OF WITNESS

CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

I, ANDREA M. IGNACIO HOWARD, hereby certify that the witness in the foregoing deposition was by me duly sworn to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth in the within-entitled cause;

That said deposition was taken in shorthand by me, a Certified Shorthand Reporter of the State of California, and was thereafter transcribed into typewriting, and that the foregoing transcript constitutes a full, true and correct report of said deposition and of the proceedings which took place;

That I am a disinterested person to the said action.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 28th day of February 2012.

ANDREA M. IGNACIO HOWARD, RPR, CCRR, CLR, CSR No. 9830

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