

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Alexandria Division**

SMITHKLINE BEECHAM)
CORPORATION,)
d/b/a GLAXOSMITHKLINE,)
SMITHKLINE BEECHAM PLC, and)
GLAXO GROUP LIMITED,)
d/b/a/ GLAXOSMITHKLINE,)
)
)
Plaintiffs,)

Civil Action No. 1:07cv1008 (CMH/TRJ)

v.)

JON W. DUDAS, in his official capacity as)
Under-Secretary of Commerce for)
Intellectual Property and Director of the)
United States Patent and Trademark Office,)
and)

UNITED STATES PATENT AND)
TRADEMARK OFFICE,)
)
Defendants.)

NOTICE OF RELATED CASES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-captioned case and *Triantafyllos Tafas v. Jon W. Dudas et al.*, Civil Action No. 1:07cv846 (JCC/TRJ), are related actions. The cases involve the same defendants and contain overlapping issues of fact and law, as both actions present legal challenges to the final rules published by the United States Patent and Trademark Office at 72 Fed. Reg. 46716 (Aug. 21, 2007). The same administrative record filed on October 5, 2007 in the *Tafas* case (Dkt. Nos. 21 & 22) is applicable to the above-captioned case. Moreover, the Complaint in the above-captioned action references the *Tafas* case and incorporates pleadings filed by the defendants in the *Tafas* case. See Compl. ¶ 10, p. 14 n.1, Ex. A.

