

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GOOGLE LLC

Petitioner

v.

ART RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY, LLC

(record) Patent Owner

Inter Partes Review Case No. IPR2025-01404
U.S. Patent No. 9,451,001

PETITIONER REQUEST FOR REFUND

On August 12, 2025 Petitioner Google LLC (“Petitioner”) filed a Petition for *Inter Partes* Review of U.S. Patent No. 9,451,001 (“the ’001 patent”) under 35 U.S.C. §§ 311-319 and 37 C.F.R. §42.100 *et seq.*, seeking *inter partes* review of claims 1-21 of the ’001 patent. In conjunction with that request, counsel for Petitioner paid a total fee of \$52,285 including post-institution fees of \$29,065 total (\$28,125 for up to 20 claims and \$940 for claims in excess of 20). The fee was paid by EFT from the Petitioner’s counsel’s bank account. On December 16, 2025, Petitioner filed a motion to withdraw the petition and terminate the proceeding pre-institution, which was granted on December 22, 2025. Petitioner hereby requests a refund of \$29,065 for the Post-Institution Fee under 37 C.F.R. §42.15(a)(2) submitted with the filing of the Petition.

Upon review and approval of this request, Petitioner respectfully requests that the Board refund the Post-Institution Fee to Deposit Account No. 601876.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing request for refund was served on February 20, 2026 on all counsel of record by electronic mail to the following addresses:

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