To: Grace Lee Huang, Esq.
Meritech Law LLC

Cc: Rajatpreet Modi, Lyptus Partners
Shruti Agarwal, Lyptus Partners
Snehaja Rana, Lyptus Partners
USPTO Office of Enrollment and Discipline
USPTO Office of Patent Legal Administration

Via Email:

SPONSORED ACCOUNT SUSPENSION ORDER

Dear Ms. Huang,

You, and at least three users you are or were sponsoring on the USPTO.gov system, have violated the Terms of Use for USPTO Websites and USPTO Trademark Verified USPTO.gov Account Agreement. Effective immediately, you are no longer authorized to sponsor attorney support staff accounts on the USPTO.gov system, and all USPTO.gov accounts sponsored by you are hereby suspended, including the accounts registered to Rajatpreet Modi, Shruti Agarwal, and Snehaja Rana.

If you wish to respond to this administrative order, you may do so via email to TMPolicy@uspto.gov.

I. Relevant Attorney Sponsorship Requirements

In order to access and file electronic forms and submit trademark documents through the Trademark Electronic Application System (“TEAS”), trademark applicants or their attorneys must register for and use a USPTO.gov account. Use of a USPTO.gov account and any other USPTO website or system requires users to comply with the Terms of Use for USPTO Websites (“Terms of Use”). See https://www.uspto.gov/terms-use-uspto-websites. Further, users who wish to file documents through TEAS must have their identifies verified, and are further bound by the USPTO Trademark Verified USPTO.gov
Qualified attorneys\(^1\) are permitted to sponsor “a reasonable number of attorney support staff who are directly employed” by the attorney, the attorney’s law firm, or the attorney’s company, so long as the support staff works under the attorney’s supervision. Verified Account Agreement, p.3; accord 37 C.F.R. § 11.5(b). Sponsoring attorneys agree that they “will not attempt to sponsor any other individuals or organizations, including any foreign or domestic company, group, client, agent, attorney, or other practitioner.” \textit{Id.} at p.4. “A sponsored support staff cannot be a foreign or domestic company, group, client, attorney, agent, or other practitioner.” \textit{Id.} at p.5. Further, sponsoring attorneys acknowledge that they are “personally, professionally, and ethically responsible for the conduct of each [sponsored] support staff when using a sponsored USPTO.gov account.” \textit{Id.} at 3.

Violations of the Verified Account Agreement or Terms of Use may result in immediate termination, suspension, and/or revocation of all related USPTO.gov accounts, particularly when the accounts are used to make submissions that are unauthorized under the regulations of the USPTO. See Verified Account Agreement, pp.1, 5-6; Terms of Use (“Unauthorized use or actions exceeding authorized use of USPTO systems will be investigated, and, when appropriate, official sanctions will be imposed”).

\section*{II. Sponsoree Violations}

Rajatpreet Singh Modi is the CEO of Lyptus Partners Business Services Pvt. Ltd. (“Lyptus Partners”), apparently a law firm in Delhi, India. See Exhibit A, Lyptus Partners, LinkedIn (Aug. 26, 2022), http://www.linkedin.com/company/lyptus-partners. However, for purposes of trademark matters before the USPTO, Mr. Modi is not authorized to practice before the USPTO because he does not appear to be a licensed attorney in any U.S. state or jurisdiction. See Exhibit B, Rajatpreet Singh Modi, LinkedIn (Aug. 26, 2022), https://in.linkedin.com/in/rajatpreetsinghmodi. Similarly, Shruti Agarwal and Snehaja Rana are associates of Mr. Modi’s at Lyptus Partners, and are not U.S.-licensed attorneys. See Exhibit C, Lyptus Partners, https://www.lyptuspartners.com/team/shruti-agarwal and https://www.lyptuspartners.com/team/snehaja-rana (last visited Aug. 29, 2022).

Regardless, Mr. Modi and others at his firm hold themselves out as authorized to represent others in trademark matters before the USPTO. In fact, one advertisement by Mr. Modi boldly proclaims that he “will be your US trademark attorney” for as little as $10. See Exhibit D, Advertisement on Fiverr.com, https://www.fiverr.com/rajatpreetsingh/register-a-company-for-you-in-usa (last visited Aug. 29, 2022); see also Exhibit E, Advertisement on Upwork.com, ...

\(^1\) Generally, only individuals who are active members in good standing of the bar of the highest court of a U.S. state or jurisdiction may practice before the USPTO in trademark matters on behalf of third-parties. See 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.1, 11.5(b), 11.14(a).
Mr. Modi indicated in an advertisement that he is aware that certain foreign trademark-filing agencies and attorneys have recently been sanctioned by the USPTO for their efforts to circumvent the USPTO Rules of Practice, and that he was seeking an “attorney to take over these 300 applications for [Lyptus Partners].” Exhibit E. Id. He also explained that Lyptus Partners was looking for U.S.-licensed attorneys to “partner with” the firm so that Lyptus Partners could “use [the U.S. attorney’s] details for the attorney section” of applications which Lyptus Partners would draft, file, and “take care of all communications with respect to the applications.” See Exhibit F, Advertisement on Upwork.com, https://www.upwork.com/jobs/~01fe2db01dbad2841 (last visited Aug. 24, 2022).

Accordingly, the USPTO has concluded that Lyptus Partners is a foreign company and its employees are not U.S.-licensed attorneys. They are engaging in the unauthorized practice of law before the USPTO and using your name as the attorney of record in an effort to obfuscate their unauthorized conduct. For this reason, the USPTO is immediately suspending the USPTO.gov accounts registered to Mr. Modi, Ms. Agarwal, and Ms. Rana. See Verified Account Agreement, p.5-6 (stating that the USPTO may immediately terminate, suspend, or revoke a USPTO.gov account where “the account is used to make submissions that the user is not authorized to make under the relevant laws, regulations, or policies of the USPTO”). The USPTO will take appropriate action as additional accounts associated with Lyptus Partners, Mr. Modi, Ms. Agarwal, or Ms. Rana are identified.

### III. Sponsoring Attorney Abuse of Sponsorship Privileges

The evidence available to the USPTO suggests that you are abusing the USPTO.gov sponsorship tool by sponsoring agents of a foreign filing firm. Neither of the users you are sponsoring are support staff under your direct supervision, nor are they employed or retained by you or your law firm. Instead, it appears that you are allowing users to improperly use your attorney credentials in order to aid their unauthorized practice before the Office, which is a violation of both the Verified Account Agreement, see p.2 (indicating that verified accounts “will not be used in connection with the unauthorized practice of law”) and the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct (see 37 C.F.R. § 11.505). An attorney may not “sponsor any other individuals or organizations, including any foreign or domestic company, group, client, agent, attorney or other practitioner.” Verified Account Agreement, p.4. Mr. Modi, Ms. Agarwal, and Ms. Rana are foreign agents or attorneys and you sponsored accounts for them.

The USPTO is therefore revoking your sponsorship privileges. Any support staff account sponsored by you, including those registered to Lyptus Partners’ employees, are suspended indefinitely. You are not permitted to sponsor any additional support staff, and any attempts to do so may result in the newly-sponsored account being terminated and your own account being suspended without further notice.
The matter will be referred to the USPTO Office of Enrollment and Discipline for further consideration of how your conduct, and the conduct imputed to you by the parties you have sponsored\(^2\), comports with the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct, particularly 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.504 ("Professional independence of a practitioner"), 11.505 ("Unauthorized practice of law"), and 11.804 ("Misconduct"). See also 37 C.F.R. § 11.303 ("Candor toward the tribunal"); Verified Account Agreement, p.4 (noting that sponsoring attorneys are required to provide information about misconduct committed by their sponsorees).

Further, the USPTO will continue to monitor submissions originating from the USPTO.gov account registered to you for any violations of the USPTO Rules of Practice in Trademark Matters, particularly the rules regarding signatures and certifications. See 37 C.F.R. §§ 2.193(a)-(c) and (f); see also 37 C.F.R. § 11.18(b) (incorporated by reference).

**IV. Conclusion**

No response to this Order is required. If you do respond, the USPTO will consider your response when determining what further actions to take with regard to this matter, including whether to issue additional orders or sanctions. In addition, your response may be shared with the USPTO Office of Enrollment and Discipline or published as part of further proceedings.

This Order is issued without prejudice to the USPTO taking all other appropriate actions to protect its systems and users from the improper activity described herein, including issuing additional orders relating to other applications, or referring conduct to relevant state and federal law enforcement agencies.

So ordered,

Amy P. Cotton
Deputy Commissioner for Trademark Examination Policy
United States Patent & Trademark Office

Exhibits A-F

\(^2\) In addition to the Verified Account Agreement and Terms of Use violations described herein, the USPTO has reason to suspect that hundreds of submissions originating from your sponsorees may be in violation of USPTO Rules of Practice in Trademark Matters, including 37 C.F.R. §§ 2.193(a). If so, such violations in furtherance of a scheme to circumvent other USPTO rules may result in serious sanctions. See, e.g., *In re Yusha Zhang*, 2021 TTAB LEXIS 465, at *13, *35 (Dir. USPTO Dec. 10, 2021) (knowingly submitting false declaration signatures in an effort to circumvent other rules of practice constitutes provision of a material misrepresentation that jeopardizes the validity of the applications).
Exhibit A
Lyptus Partners

About us:

Lyptus Partners carry on the business for all types of services of Intellectual Property Rights like Trademark, Copyright and Related to all types of business entities either Private Limited, Public Limited, Government companies in India or abroad. We have an expertise to carry on the business or vacation to act as a consultants and advises on all matters related to the technical Industries, etc. administration, finance and organization management, commitment to expansion of Industry merger & acquisition and Contract rule like. We provide all types of legal services including but not limited to drafting of agreements, contracts, memorandum of understanding, or any other contractual documents, commercial or any other commercial legal customary documentation and to act as advisors and consultants on all legal matters to any business entities either Private Limited, Public Limited, Government companies, proprietary concern, partnership firm or any other legal entities in India or abroad. To provide advisory services for rendering disputes between two or more parties including individuals, companies, proprietorships, associations, unions or any other form of legal entities.

Website: http://www.lyptuspills.com

Locations:

Headquarters: New Delhi, Delhi

Employees at Lyptus Partners:

1. Rajdeep Singh Modi - Corporate, M&A, IP, and Data Privacy Attorney
2. Shikha Agrawal - Junior Associate (General & Media)
3. Ishita Sachdeva - Communications & Content Strategy
4. Zaman Zaidi - Corporate & IP Attorney

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About

Rajatpreet Singh Modi, lawyer and CEO of Lyptus Partners Business Services Pvt. Ltd., is a diligent and determined professional with a background in law and intellectual property. His expertise includes corporate law, business transactions, and intellectual property, and he has significant experience in international transactions. He is known for his strong work ethic and commitment to the firm.

Licenses & Certifications

- Project Management: The Essentials of Success
  - University of California, Santa Barbara, Division of Continuing Education
  - Issued: May 2012
- Patent Law
  - University of Pennsylvania, School of Law
  - Issued: June 2006
- Introduction to Marketing
  - Babson Online
  - Issued: May 2020
- Intellectual Property
  - University of Pennsylvania, School of Law
  - Issued: April 2019

For more information, please visit his LinkedIn profile.
Experience

Founder and Chief Executive Officer
Optus Partners
Sep 2021 – Present; 1 year
New Delhi, Delhi, India

Sought for the opportunity and privilege of helping the right partner for your business. Legal needs, dealing up with an effective, functioning, and legal team is absolutely amazing.

Business Attorney
Self-employed
Sep 2021 – Present; 1 year

Leveraging my corporate commercial law background from India with over 5 years of experience in representing large and small corporate issues on a variety of regulations. Have extensive experience in drafting corporate commercial, transactional, and regulatory agreements of terms and conditions, privacy policies, and more. Developed and maintained client relationships while delivering exceptional work quality.

Contracts and IP Attorney
Independent Consultant
Jul 2014 – Nov 2021; 1 year 6 months
New Delhi, Delhi, India

Others
Chambers of Messrs. Adv. Sanjay Poddar, Rajatpreet Singh
Exhibit C
Rajatpreet Singh Modi
Attorney & CEO

With 5+ years of experience representing entrepreneurs, startups, and businesses worldwide, he has extensive experience in commercial, industry, and intellectual property services. A man of solid character, principles and possesses impeccable ethics and integrity.
raj@lyptuspartners.com

Shruti Agarwal
Associate

She holds a BBA LLB degree from KLE Society’s Law College, Bengaluru affiliated to KSLU. Her prime area of focus is Intellectual Property Rights and Media and Entertainment Laws. She also has experience in drafting, vetting, and negotiating commercial, IP-related, and other forms of contracts. In law school, she worked as an Intern for a Legal Content Writer and Agreement Drawer, and verifier which has worked for clients across the globe. She believes in delivering quality work, building a relationship, and retaining the client for a lifetime. When not working, Shruti loves to travel, explore new restaurants, and read books.
shruti@lyptuspartners.com

Snehaja Rana
Associate

She holds a master’s degree from the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California. She is a transactional IP Attorney with 2+ years of experience. She is a passionate, reliable, and diligent person. Her creative mind and resourceful nature are reflected in her work. She is well-versed in IP strategy and she is focused on new ways to exploit and protect IP. She is dependable and efficient with strong drafting and research skills.
snehaja@lyptuspartners.com
Exhibit D
About This Gig

Hi! I am Rajatpreet Singh and I am an experienced contracts and trademarks attorney with 7+ years of experience and 300+ successful trademark registrations under my belt.

Trademark registration in the US will protect your brand. Trademarks are also mandatory for Amazon Brand Registry. Fast trademark search and filing is the next big step for your brand.

I will perform the following trademark registration services:
- Trademark search
- Trademark registration filing
- Reply to objection by trademark registry
- Legal advice

Trademark registration will give you the exclusive right to use your brand. It helps prevent misuse of the brand name. My team will strive to provide efficient and quick filing services to your business.

Queries are highly welcomed and let’s have a chat before getting down to business.

Note: Government fees are to be borne by the buyer. Please discuss your requirements before placing an order.

Field of law
- Intellectual property
- Target country
- United States

Legal consulting Gigs are not screened

Please note that there is no screening process for this service. We recommend that you message the freelancer and check all necessary details before placing your order.

About The Seller

rajatpreetSingh

Your online business, contracts and Intellectual Property lawyer!
About the seller

Your online business, contracts and Intellectual Property lawyer!

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Contact Me

Avg. response time: 1 hour

Member since: Jun 2016

Last delivery: about 20 minutes

Are you looking for a reliable, experienced, and cost-effective business lawyer? Hello, I am Raj, a registered and experienced Business, Contracts, Copyright and Trademark attorney. I have served more than 1000 clients from all around the world since 2016. I specialize in understanding your needs, executing the work with the highest degree of professionalism, and putting your and your business’s needs first. I am sure that once you start using my services, you will not need any other lawyer. If you would like to discuss your needs, please text me and I look forward to our meeting.

Among my clients:

- CDKNYEW Mens Clothing
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Helpful? △ Yes □ No

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It was quick delivery and all queries were answered

Helpful? △ Yes □ No

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United States

Published 4 months ago

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Helpful? △ Yes □ No

ashilakes

United States

Published 1 month ago

Art was knowledgeable about what I asked him to do.

Helpful? △ Yes □ No
Awesome job. Fast service, very knowledgeable about what I asked him to do. Highly recommend!

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STARTING AT $40

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Exhibit E
US Trademark Attorney Required

Hello,

I hope you are doing well.

I am a Patent & Trademark attorney and CEO of Lotus Partners. We are an IPO law firm based out of India with clients from all over Asia Pacific. We are looking to collaborate with a US Trademark Attorney.

We are preparing for filing trademark applications for the last 15 years and have filed more than 4,000 trademark applications for our clients in the US.

We collaborated with a law firm in India to file trademarks in the US. They had around 300 trademark files for us from 2020 to 2021. We stopped working with them because they closed their IP department.

We recently received an email from the USPTO that the firm has been disbanded. Hence, we need an attorney to take over these 300 applications for us.

Please let me know if you are interested in collaborating with us.

Looking forward to your prompt response.

Best Regards

[US Trademark Attorney Required]
Exhibit F
Looking for US-based Attorney for Trademark filing with USPTO

We are an Intellectual Property law firm located in the United States. We are looking for an Intellectual Property attorney with 2-3 years of experience in US trademark filings. The ideal candidate will have experience in handling trademark applications and registrations, preparing trademark oppositions, and representing clients in trademark infringement cases. The attorney will be responsible for handling trademark matters for clients in the United States, including preparing and filing trademark applications, conducting trademark searches, and representing clients in trademark oppositions. We are looking for an attorney who is able to work independently and as part of a team.

Expected volume of applications: 500-600 per month.

Requirements:

2. Experience in preparing and filing trademark applications.
3. Experience in conducting trademark searches.
4. Experience in representing clients in trademark oppositions.
5. Ability to work independently and as part of a team.

We are an equal opportunity employer and welcome all qualified applicants. Please submit your resume and a cover letter outlining your qualifications for this position. We look forward to hearing from you.

About the client:

- Payment method: All
- Location: United States
- Industry: Legal
- Company type: Private
- Company size: Large (500-1000 employees)
- Website: www.upwork.com/jobs/2841e/

Job link: https://www.upwork.com/jobs/2841e/