UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE Northern District of Illinois – CM/ECF LIVE, Ver 6.3.3 Eastern Division

Norix Group, Inc.		
	Plaintiff,	
V.		Case No.: 1:17-cv-07914
		Honorable John Robert Blakey
Correctional Technologies, Inc. d/b/a Cortech USA, et al.		
	Defendant.	

NOTIFICATION OF DOCKET ENTRY

This docket entry was made by the Clerk on Thursday, February 25, 2021:

MINUTE entry before the Honorable John Robert Blakey: In light of recent proceedings on reexamination of the '933 Patent, the Court finds that a stay of this litigation is appropriate and, accordingly, grants Defendant's motion to stay [155]. The operative complaint alleges infringement of claims 1, 12, and 15 of the '933 Patent. See [31] at 16–17. Yet, on reexamination, the USPTO rejected these claims. [155–1] at 4–9. Accordingly, depending on what happens with Plaintiff's response to the Office Action, Plaintiff's claim of infringement as to the '933 Patent may not proceed. E.g., Fresenius USA, Inc. v. Baxter Int'l, Inc., 721 F.3d 1330, 1339 (Fed. Cir. 2013) ("the reexamination statute restricts a patentee's ability to enforce the patent's original claims to those claims that survive reexamination in 'identical' form."). The Court is not inclined to expend additional judicial resources on a claim that may not proceed. Nor should the parties be compelled to pursue discovery on a claim that may fall away. Accordingly, the Court strikes all set dates and stays the case pending further order. The parties shall file an updated status report by 4/30/21 or within two business days of any further action by the USPTO. Mailed notice(gel,)

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