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Washington, D.C. 20530

May 8, 2019

Honorable Scott Harris, Clerk Supreme Court of the United States Washington, D.C. 20543

Re: Andrei Iancu, Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director, United States

Patent and Trademark Office v. NantKwest, Inc., No. 18-801

Dear Mr. Harris:

I write to give notice that Andrei Iancu, who in his official capacity is the named petitioner in this case, is recused in this matter. Laura Peter, the Deputy Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, may be substituted as the petitioner.

Sincerely,

Noel J. Francisco Solicitor General

cc: see attached service list

18-0801 IANCU, ANDREI, UNDER SEC. OF COMMERCE FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, ET AL. NANTKWEST, INC.

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