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TASER Wins Legal Challenge to Invalidate Digital Ally Patent Claims

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz., Sept. 2, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- [TASER International](#) ([NASDAQ: TASR](#)), which makes communities safer with innovative public safety technologies, announced that it has received notice from the [United States Patent and Trademark Office](#) (USPTO) that the USPTO has rejected all 20 claims of [U.S. Patent 8,781,292](#) which has been assigned to Digital Ally, Inc. (the "Digital Ally" patent"). This USPTO office action is in response to an [ex parte reexamination](#) request filed by TASER. Digital Ally has until October 17, 2015 to file a response with the USPTO.



The Digital Ally patent describes an apparatus to detect when a video recorder has begun recording and to communicate with any recording device in range indicating that the recording device should begin recording. The Digital Ally patent claims were found unpatentable by the USPTO due to prior art found by TASER.

TASER has improved upon the old technology described in the Digital Ally patent with new patent pending technology called [Axon Signal](#) which is a communication platform that allows auto-activation of [Axon cameras](#) by activation of conducted electrical weapons or a squad car's light bar. Axon Signal will activate all enabled cameras within range to ensure that critical events and perspectives are captured. Axon Signal can be tailored to activate on any number of inputs, including weapon draw, biometrics (e.g., heart rate), and squad car sensors such as crash, speed, and door position.

"We are very pleased that the USPTO has accepted our request to reexamine the Digital Ally patent and rejected all 20 claims of the patent," stated [Doug Klint](#), General Counsel for TASER International, Inc. "We are constantly innovating our products and technology and have a long list of next generation inventions for which we are pursuing patent protection. We have more than 180 patents worldwide and have filed more than 35 patent applications since January 2015. Our goal is to build the most extensive patent portfolio for innovative public safety technologies including less lethal weapons, cameras, communication ecosystems and cloud-based software platforms. We have been successful in enforcing our patents against competitors, winning two patent infringement lawsuits. We will continue to aggressively protect our intellectual property rights and challenge those of our competitors," concluded Klint.

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