

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
DALLAS DIVISION**

KEITH RANIERE,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	Civil Action No. 3:15-CV-0540-M
	)	
v.	)	
	)	<b>NOTICE OF APPEAL TO</b>
MICROSOFT CORPORATION,	)	<b>FEDERAL CIRCUIT</b>
	)	
Defendant.	)	
	)	
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Notice is hereby given that Keith Raniere, as plaintiff in the above-named case, hereby appeals to the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit from (1) the Memorandum Opinion and Order granting a joint Motion for Fees and Costs under 35 U.S.C. § 285 filed by Defendants AT&T Corp. (“AT&T”) and Microsoft Corporation (“Microsoft”) entered in this action on September 2, 2016 [Dkt. No. 171] and (2) the Order awarding Microsoft fees and costs in the amount of \$143,719.26 entered in this

action on December 14, 2016 [Dkt. No. 181]. A related notice of appeal is concurrently being filed in *Raniere v. AT&T Corp.*, No. 3:15-cv-02289-M (N.D. Tex.). Two prior appeals were filed in both cases and the Federal Circuit has designated a lead appeal case in *Raniere v. Microsoft Corporation*, No. 2016-1698 (Fed. Cir., filed March 11, 2016). Oral argument on the merits has been set for January 13, 2017.

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Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 19th day of December 2016, I submitted a true and correct copy of this Notice of Appeal to the Clerk of the United States District Court, Northern District of Texas, using the CM/ECF system, and served a copy of it on all counsel that have appeared in this case through this Court's electronic filing system.

/s/ Robert D. Crockett  
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