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# Marathon Patent Group, Inc.'s Subsidiary, Orthophoenix LLC Receives Favorable Markman Ruling

LOS ANGELES, CA -- (Marketwired) -- 02/03/16 -- **Marathon Patent Group, Inc.** (NASDAQ: MARA) ("Marathon" or the "Company"), a patent licensing company, announced today that on February 2, 2015, the United States District Court for the District of Delaware issued the claim construction order in the litigation involving its wholly-owned subsidiary Orthophoenix LLC, in its case against Dfine Inc., Wright Medical Technology Inc., and Stryker Corporation.

In his opinion, Chief Judge Leonard P. Stark, addressed disputed claim terms for U.S. Patent numbers 6,440,138 ("the '138 patent"), 6,863,672 ("the '672 patent") 6,663,647 ("the '647 patent") 6,248,110 ("the '110 patent"), 6,981,981 ("the '981 patent"), and 7,044,954 ("the '954 patent"). For all but one of the disputed claim terms, the court issued a favorable claim construction adopting the constructions (or minor variations thereof) proposed by Orthophoenix. The Court rejected defendants' arguments that the claims were invalid for indefiniteness, and rejected defendants' attempts to import limitations into the claims in order to avoid infringement.

Doug Croxall, Chief Executive Officer of Marathon, stated, "The Markman order is very encouraging, especially considering that almost all disputed terms were construed in our favor. We were gratified that the Court construed the claims to give them their full scope, and upheld the claims against defendants' invalidity arguments. It's rulings like this that generally have the potential to motivate possible resolution in the form of a reasonable licensing agreement. Absent such, we will confidently continue to work towards trial."

Russ, August & Kabat is representing Orthophoenix. The complete Markman Order may be found at the company's website.

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