



NEXT GROUP PLC,	}	IPC No. 14-2012-00437
Opposer,	}	Opposition to:
	}	
- versus -	}	Appln. Serial No. 4-2010-13398
	}	Date Filed: 09 December 2010
RISHI MIRANI,	}	
Respondent-Applicant.	}	Trademark: NEXT
x-----x	x	Order No. 2013 - <u>25</u> (D)

**ORDER**

NEXT GROUP PLC ("Opposer") filed on 05 December 2012 a Verified Notice of Opposition to Trademark Application Serial No. 4-2010-13398. The subject trademark application was published in the IPOPHL Official Gazette on 03 September 2012.

Under Republic Act No. 8293, also known as the Intellectual Property Code of the Philippines ("IP Code"), and the implementing rules and regulations on Inter Partes Proceedings, the Opposer has a period of one (1) month after the publication of the application within which to file a notice of opposition or to request for the extension of the period to file the opposition.


Per Order No. 2012-1441 dated 07 November 2012, this Bureau granted Respondent-Applicant's motion for final extension giving the latter a final period of thirty (30) days or until 02 December 2012 within which to file the notice of opposition. However, the Compliance with the attached Verified Notice of Opposition, which was dated 03 December 2012, was filed only with this Bureau on 05 December 2012. The notice of opposition, therefore, was filed out of time.

**WHEREFORE**, premises considered, this case is **DISMISSED**.

Let the filer wrapper of Trademark Application Serial No. 4-2010-13398 be returned, together with a copy of this Order, to the Bureau of Trademarks (BOT) for information and appropriate action.

SO ORDERED.

Taguig City, 23 January 2013.

  
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