

Forgent Announces Patent License Agreement With Nuance Communications

Nuance, Formerly ScanSoft, to be Dismissed From '672 Patent Litigation

AUSTIN, TX, Jan 06, 2006 (MARKET WIRE via COMTEX News Network) -- Forgent[™] Networks (NASDAQ: FORG) along with its wholly owned subsidiary, Compression Labs, Inc. ("CLI"), today announced it has concluded a Patent License Agreement ("Agreement") with Nuance Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: NUAN), formerly ScanSoft, Inc., covering Forgent's data compression technology embodied in U.S. Patent No. 4,698,672 (the '672 Patent), and will be dismissed from the '672 Patent litigation. Nuance is the leading provider of speech and imaging solutions for businesses and consumers around the world. Other terms of the Agreement were not disclosed.

Forgent has pending litigation against approximately 40 companies for infringement of the '672 Patent in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California. Following the filing of the litigation, nine companies that were defendants have entered into license agreements.

Since its inception more than three years ago, Forgent's intellectual property program has generated more than \$105 million in revenues primarily from licensing the '672 Patent to more than 50 different companies in Asia, Europe and the United States. The '672 Patent relates to digital image compression used in digital still image devices that compress, store, manipulate, print or transmit digital still images such as digital cameras, personal digital assistants, cellular telephones, printers, scanners and certain software applications. The company's patent portfolio includes the combined inventions of Compression Labs, Inc., VTEL Corporation and Forgent Networks, Inc.

About Forgent

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