

California sea lions may be taken by unintentional mortality during the requested 5-year permit.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of the application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: July 6, 2012.

P. Michael Payne,

Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 35).

Agency: United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

Title: Patents for Humanity Program (formerly Humanitarian Program).

Form Number(s): None.

Agency Approval Number: 0651-0066.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 4,010 hours annually.

Number of Respondents: 1,010 responses per year, with an estimated 333 (33%) submitted by small entities.

Avg. Hours per Response: The USPTO estimates that it will take the public approximately four hours to complete the humanitarian program application and one hour to complete the petition to extend the redemption period, depending on the nature of the information. These estimated times include gathering the necessary information, preparing the application or petition and any supplemental supporting materials, and submitting the completed request.

Needs and Uses: The information is used by the public to apply for participation in the Patents for

Humanity Program and to provide the USPTO with their contact information, which the USPTO uses to notify applicants that they have been selected for an award. Certificate holders also use the information to petition the USPTO to extend the redemption period of the certificate after it expires.

External judges and the selection committee use the information collected from the humanitarian applications to make recommendations for award recipients, while the USPTO uses the information to award certificates to the selected recipients. The USPTO also uses the information collected from the petitions to grant extensions of the redemption period for the certificate in question.

After the humanitarian program applications are screened for inappropriate material, they will be made publicly available.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits, non-profit institutions, and individuals.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Nicholas A. Fraser, email:

Nicholas_A._Fraser@omb.eop.gov.

Once submitted, the request will be publicly available in electronic format through the Information Collection Review page at www.reginfo.gov.

Paper copies can be obtained by:

- *Email:*

InformationCollection@uspto.gov.

Include "0651-0066 copy request" in the subject line of the message.

- *Mail:* Susan K. Fawcett, Records Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent on or before August 13, 2012 to Nicholas A. Fraser, OMB Desk Officer, via email to *Nicholas_A._Fraser@omb.eop.gov*, or by fax to 202-395-5167, marked to the attention of Nicholas A. Fraser.

Dated: July 9, 2012.

Susan K. Fawcett,

Records Officer, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

[Docket No. PTO-T-2012-0028]

Trademark Board Manual of Procedure, Third Edition, Revision 1

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") issued the third edition, revision 1, of the *Trademark Board Manual of Procedure* ("TBMP"), and made available an archived copy of the May 6, 2011 third edition, on June 19, 2012.

ADDRESSES: The USPTO prefers that any suggestions for improving the form and content of the TBMP be submitted via electronic mail message to *TBMPPatentRegister*

Comments@uspto.gov. Written comments may also be submitted by mail addressed to: Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, P.O. Box 1451, Alexandria, VA 22313-1451, marked to the attention of Cheryl Butler, Senior Attorney and Editor, *Trademark Board Manual of Procedure*, or by hand delivery to the Trademark Assistance Center, Concourse Level, James Madison Building-East Wing, 600 Dulany Street, Alexandria, Virginia, marked to the attention of Cheryl Butler, Senior Attorney and Editor, *Trademark Board Manual of Procedure*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cheryl Butler, Senior Attorney, Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, by telephone at (571) 272-4259.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 19, 2012, the USPTO issued the first revision of the third edition of the TBMP. The TBMP provides Trademark Trial and Appeal Board ("TTAB") judges and attorneys, trademark applicants and registrants, and attorneys and representatives for trademark applicants and registrants a comprehensive reference on the practices and procedures for *inter partes* and *ex parte* proceedings before the TTAB. The guidance provided by the manual does not have the force and effect of law. Its guidelines have been developed as a matter of internal Office management and are not intended to create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable by any party against the Office. While following the guidelines in the manual will aid parties and their attorneys in navigating the procedures applicable to *inter partes* cases, parties and their attorneys are also free to discuss and agree to various

alternative processes that may prove more efficient and economical.

The third edition, revision 1, incorporates TTAB practice, a minor change to the Trademark Act, changes to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Federal Rules of Evidence where relevant, and case law reported between November 15, 2010, and March 2, 2012. The policies stated in this revision supersede any previous policies stated in prior editions or any other statement of USPTO policy, to the extent that there is any conflict. The TBMP may be viewed or downloaded free of charge from the TTAB home page of the USPTO Web site at the address: <http://www.uspto.gov/trademarks/process/appeal/index.jsp>.

Dated: July 3, 2012.

Teresa Stanek Rea,

Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Deputy Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests; Office of Postsecondary Education; Survey of Post-Graduate Outcomes for International Education Fellowship Recipients

SUMMARY: This survey will focus on the post-graduate outcomes of students who received international education fellowships.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before September 10, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or mailed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 04880. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information

collection and OMB Control Number when making your request.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that Federal agencies provide interested parties an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Survey of Post-Graduate Outcomes for International Education Fellowship Recipients.

OMB Control Number: Pending.

Type of Review: New.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 4,595.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 797.

Abstract: The Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008, Section 601 requires that: "The Secretary shall assist grantees in developing a survey to administer to students who have completed programs under this title to determine postgraduate employment, education, or training. All grantees, where applicable, shall administer such survey once every two years and report survey results to the Secretary." The first cohort of students to be surveyed will be the Foreign Language and Area Studies fellows and the Institute for International Public Policy fellows. The survey will be expanded to other grantees in subsequent years. This is a longitudinal survey that will be conducted every two years for a total of eight years for each cohort. Grantees will administer the survey to all fellows

in these selected programs after they have graduated from the degree program they were enrolled in when they received their fellowship. Grantees will submit the results of the survey to the International for Foreign Language Education (IFLE) office within the U.S. Department of Education. IFLE will analyze the data and provide a report that will be available to the public. The results will be used to assess program impact.

Dated: July 6, 2012.

Kate Mullan,

Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[CFDA Nos. 84.007, 84.033, 84.038, 84.063, and 84.268]

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA); 2013-2014 Award Year

AGENCY: Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

Overview Information: Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Information to be Verified for the 2013-2014 award year.

SUMMARY: For each award year, the Secretary publishes in the **Federal Register** a notice announcing the FAFSA information that an institution and an applicant may be required to verify. The notice also specifies what documentation is acceptable to the Secretary for verifying FAFSA information.

Through this notice, the Secretary announces for the 2013-2014 award year the FAFSA information subject to, and the documentation acceptable for, verification.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jacquelyn C. Butler, U.S. Department of Education, Office of Postsecondary Education, 1990 K Street NW., room 8053, Washington, DC 20006. Telephone: (202) 502-7890.

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), call the Federal Relay Service (FRS), toll free, at 1-800-877-8339.

Individuals with disabilities can obtain this document in an accessible format (e.g., braille, large print, audiotape, or compact disc) on request to the program contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.