

applications filed before September 16, 2012)

- PTO/SB/110 (Declaration for Utility or Design Patent Application (37 CFR 1.63), Korean Language—applications filed before September 16, 2012)

*Type of Request:* Extension and revision of a currently approved information collection.

*Number of Respondents:* 633,209 respondents per year.

*Average Hour per Response:* The USPTO estimates that it takes the public between 45 minutes (.75 hours) and 40 hours to complete a single response, depending on the complexity of the submission. This includes the time to gather the necessary information, prepare the appropriate documents, and to submit the response to the USPTO.

*Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours:* 15,598,813 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Non-Hour Cost Burden:* \$1,205,915,848.

*Needs and Uses:* The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) is required by Title 35 of the United States Code (U.S.C.) to examine applications for patents. The USPTO administers the patent statutes relating to examination through various regulations in such as 37 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1.16 through 1.84. Each patent applicant must provide sufficient information to allow the USPTO to properly examine the application to determine whether it meets the criteria set forth in the patent statutes and regulations for issuance as a patent. The patent statutes and regulations require that an application for patent include the following information:

(1) A specification containing a description of the invention and at least one claim defining the property right sought by the applicant;

(2) A drawing(s) or photograph(s), where necessary, for an understanding of the invention;

(3) An oath or declaration signed by the applicant; and

(4) A filing fee.

Various types of patent applications are covered under this information collection:

- New original utility, plant, design, and provisional applications;
- Continuation/divisional applications of international applications;
- Continued prosecution applications (design); and
- Continuation/divisional and continuation-in-part applications of utility, plant, and design applications.

In addition, this information collection covers certain other papers filed by applicants, such as, petitions to

accept an unintentionally delayed priority or benefit claim, petitions to accept a filing by other than all of the inventors or a person not the inventor, and petitions requesting that applications filed under 37 CFR 1.495(b) be accorded a receipt date.

*Affected Public:* Private sector; individuals or households.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

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

This information collection request may be viewed at [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov). Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce, USPTO information collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for this information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function and entering either the title of the information collection or the OMB Control Number 0651-0032.

Further information can be obtained by:

- *Email:* [InformationCollection@uspto.gov](mailto:InformationCollection@uspto.gov). Include "0651-0032 information request" in the subject line of the message.
- *Mail:* Kimberly Hardy, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

**Kimberly Hardy,**

*Information Collections Officer, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Patent and Trademark Office

#### **Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Trademark Submissions Regarding Correspondence and Regarding Attorney Representation**

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the

date of publication of this notice. The USPTO invites comment on this information collection renewal, which helps the USPTO assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on September 29, 2020 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

*Agency:* Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce.

*Title:* Trademark Submissions Regarding Correspondence and Regarding Attorney Representation.

*OMB Control Number:* 0651-0056.

*Form Number(s):*

- PTO Form 2201 (TEAS Request for Withdrawal as Attorney of Record/ Update of USPTO's Database After Power of Attorney Ends)
- PTO Form 2300 (TEAS Change Address or Representation Form)

*Type of Request:* Extension and revision of a currently approved information collection.

*Number of Respondents:* 204,323 respondents per year.

*Average Hour per Response:* The USPTO estimates that it will take the public between 12 minutes (0.2 hours) and 1 hour to complete a response, depending upon the complexity of the situation. This includes the time to gather the necessary information, prepare the appropriate documents, and submit the completed response to the USPTO.

*Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours:* 50,437 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Non-Hour Cost Burden:* \$1,369.

*Needs and Uses:* The USPTO administers the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. 1051 *et seq.*, which provides for the Federal registration of trademarks, service marks, collective trademarks and service marks, collective membership marks, and certification marks. Individuals and businesses that use or intend to use such marks in commerce may file an application to register their marks with the USPTO.

Such individuals and businesses may also submit various communications to the USPTO regarding their pending applications or registered trademarks, including providing additional information needed to process a pending application, filing amendments to the applications, or filing the papers necessary to keep a trademark in force. In the majority of circumstances, individuals and businesses retain attorneys to handle these matters. As such, these parties may also submit

communications to the USPTO regarding the appointment of attorneys to represent applicants or registrants in the application and post-registration processes or, in the case of applicants or registrants who are not domiciled in the United States, the appointment of domestic representatives on whom may be served notices of process in proceedings affecting the mark, the revocation of an attorney's or domestic representative's appointment, and requests for permission to withdraw from representation.

*Affected Public:* Private sector; individuals or households.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

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

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Further information can be obtained by:

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- *Mail:* Kimberly Hardy, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Patent and Trademark Office

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Patent Processing

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) will submit

the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. The USPTO invites comment on this information collection renewal, which helps the USPTO assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on September 29, 2020 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

*Agency:* United States Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce.

*Title:* Patent Processing.

*OMB Control Number:* 0651-0031.

*Form Number(s):* (AIA = American Invents Act; SB = Specimen Book; PTOL = Patent and Trademark Office Legal)

- PTO/AIA/22 (Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a))
- PTO/AIA/24 (Express Abandonment under 37 CFR 1.138)
- PTO/AIA/24B (Petition for Express Abandonment to Obtain a Refund)
- PTO/AIA/33 (Pre-appeal Brief Request for Review)
- PTO/AIA/96 (Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(c))
- PTO/SB/08a and b (Information Disclosure Statement)
- PTO/SB/17i (Processing Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) Transmittal)
- PTO/SB/21 (Transmittal Form)
- PTO/SB/22 (Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a))
- PTO/SB/24 (Express Abandonment under 37 CFR 1.138)
- PTO/SB/24B (Petition for Express Abandonment to Obtain a Refund—applications filed on or before September 16, 2012)
- PTO/SB/25 (Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Provisional Double Patenting Rejection Over a Pending "Reference" Application)
- PTO/SB/26 (Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection over a "Prior" Patent)
- PTO/SB/27 (Request for Expedited Examination of a Design Application)
- PTO/SB/30 (Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal)
- PTO/SB/33 (Pre-appeal Brief Request for Review—applications filed on or before September 16, 2012)
- PTO/SB/35 (Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i))
- PTO/SB/36 (Rescission of Previous Nonpublication Request (35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(ii) and, if applicable, Notice of Foreign Filing (35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii))

- PTO/SB/37 (Request for Suspension of Action or Deferral of Examination under 37 CFR 1.103(b), (c), or (d)—applications filed on or before September 16, 2012)
- PTO/SB/38 (Request to Retrieve Electronic Priority Application(s))
- PTO/SB/39 (Authorization or Rescission of Authorization to Permit Access to Application-as-filed by Participating Offices)
- PTO/SB/43 (Disclaimer in Patent Under 37 CFR 1.321(a))
- PTO/SB/63 (Terminal Disclaimer to Accompany Petition)
- PTO/SB/64 (Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally)
- PTO/SB/64a (Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned for Failure to Notify the Office of a Foreign or International Filing)
- PTO/SB/64PCT (Petition for Revival of an International Application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally)
- PTO/SB/67 (Power to Access, Inspect, and Copy)
- PTO/SB/68 (Request for Access to an Abandoned Application Under 37 CFR 1.14)
- PTO/SB/91 (Deposit Account Order Form)
- PTO/SB/92 (Certificate of Mailing or Transmission)
- PTO/SB/96 (Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(c))
- PTO/SB/130 (Petition to Make Special Based on Age for Advancement of Examination under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1))
- PTO/SB/413C (Request for First-Action Interview (Full Pilot Program))
- PTO-2053-A/B; PTO-2054-A/B; and PTO-2055-A/B (Copy of the Applicant or Patentee's Record of the Application)
- PTOL/413A (Applicant-Initiated Interview Request Form)

*Type of Request:* Extension and revision of a currently approved information collection.

*Number of Respondents:* 3,669,397 respondents per year.

*Average Hours per Response:* The USPTO estimates that it will take approximately 2 minutes (0.08 hours) to 8 hours to complete a single response. This includes the time to gather the necessary information, prepare the appropriate documents, and submit the completed response to the USPTO.

*Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours:* 3,187,341 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Non-Hour Cost Burden:* \$408,845,999.

*Needs and Uses:* The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) is required by 35 U.S.C. 131 to examine an