

are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

All comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. USPTO will include or summarize each comment in the request to OMB to approve this information collection. Before including an address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information (PII) in a comment, be aware that the entire comment—including PII—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask in your comment to withhold PII from public view, USPTO cannot guarantee that it will be able to do so.

Justin Isaac,

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

[Docket No.: PTO-P-2023-0047]

Supplemental Guidance for Examination of Design Patent Applications Related to Computer-Generated Electronic Images, Including Computer-Generated Icons and Graphical User Interfaces

AGENCY: Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

ACTION: Examination guidance; correction.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) published in the **Federal Register** on November 17, 2023, supplemental guidance to be used by USPTO personnel in determining whether a design claim including a computer-generated electronic image is directed to statutory subject matter. This notice provides the deadline for written comments. Additionally, the USPTO has corrected Examples 2, 4, and 5 in Section (V) of the supplemental guidance published in the **Federal Register** to reflect certain formatting (i.e., underlining and strikethrough) necessary to understand the examples. The supplemental guidance, including the examples, will be incorporated into the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure in due course.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Erin Harriman, Senior Legal Advisor, Office

of Patent Legal Administration, at 571-272-7747; or Carolyn Kosowski, Senior Legal Advisor, Office of Patent Legal Administration, at 571-272-7688.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The USPTO published in the **Federal Register** on November 17, 2023, supplemental guidance to be used by USPTO personnel in determining whether a design claim including a computer-generated electronic image is directed to statutory subject matter. See *Supplemental Guidance for Examination of Design Patent Applications Related to Computer-Generated Electronic Images, Including Computer-Generated Icons and Graphical User Interfaces*, 88 FR 80277. This notice provides the deadline for submitting written comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at www.regulations.gov. The deadline for submitting comments is November 18, 2024. Please see the **ADDRESSES** section in the November 17, 2023 notice for instructions on how to submit comments.

Correction

In the **Federal Register** of November 17, 2023, in FR Doc. 2023-25473, on page 80277, in the third column, correct the **DATES** caption to read:

DATES: This supplemental guidance is applicable as of November 17, 2023. Comments must be received by November 18, 2024, to ensure consideration.

In addition, the USPTO has corrected Examples 2, 4, and 5 in Section (V) of the supplemental guidance published in the **Federal Register** to reproduce certain formatting (i.e., underlining and strikethrough) in the text necessary to understand the examples. A PDF version of the examples, which contains the formatting, has been posted on the Examination Guidance and Training Materials page under 35 U.S.C. 171 at www.uspto.gov/patents/laws/examination-policy/examination-guidance-and-training-materials.

The supplemental guidance, including the examples, will be incorporated into the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure in due course.

Katherine Kelly Vidal,

Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the 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; Patent Examiner Employment Application

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 comments 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 November 15, 2023 during a 60-day comment period (88 FR 78332). This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comment.

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

Title: Patent Examiner Employment Application.

OMB Control Number: 0651-0042.

Needs and Uses: In the current employment environment, life science and engineering graduates are in great demand. The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) is in direct competition with the private industry for the same caliber of candidates with the requisite knowledge and skills to perform patent examination work. This information collection covers online applications to the USPTO for entry level patent examiner positions. More specifically, the collection covers the respondent data gathered from the applications. The USPTO posts the relevant positions online and collects applicant information via the USA Staffing System.

The USA Staffing online application collects supplemental information to a candidate's USAJOBS application. This information assists USPTO Human Resource Specialists and Hiring Managers in determining whether an applicant possesses the basic qualification requirements for a patent examiner position. From the information collected, the USA Staffing system creates an electronic real-time candidate inventory on applicants' expertise and technical knowledge, which allows USPTO to immediately review applications from multiple

applicants. The use of such automated online systems during recruitment allows USPTO to remain competitive, meet hiring goals, and fulfill the Agency's Congressional commitment to reduce the pendency rate for the examination of patent applications.

Form Numbers: None.

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

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

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

Frequency: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 7,226 respondents.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 7,226 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: The USPTO estimates that it will take the public approximately 30 minutes (0.5 hours) to complete. This includes the time to gather the necessary information, create the document, and submit the completed request to the USPTO.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 3,613 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Non-Hourly Cost Burden: \$0.

This information collection request may be viewed at 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. 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, 0651–0042.

Further information can be obtained by:

- *Email:* InformationCollection@uspto.gov. Include "0651–0042 information request" in the subject line of the message.

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

Justin Isaac,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

[Docket ID: USA–2023–HQ–0013]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Department of the Army, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 30-Day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: The DoD has submitted 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.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by February 28, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lane Purvis, (571) 372–0460, whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Silver Jackets Program Nomination and Awards; ENG Form 6128; OMB Control Number 0710–0023.

Type of Request: Revision.

Number of Respondents: 54.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 54.

Average Burden per Response: 20 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 18.

Needs and Uses: The information collection request is necessary to obtain input and feedback from our state government partners regarding the performance and achievement of state-led Silver Jackets teams. Through the National Flood Risk Management Program, USACE supports the Silver Jackets Program, which has teams in all states and several territories, bringing together multiple state, federal, local, and tribal agencies to learn from one another and work together to reduce risk from floods and other natural hazards. The ENG Form 6128, "Silver Jackets State Team of the Year," provides the vehicle for Silver Jackets teams to nominate their fellow teams for consideration for the Silver Jackets

Team of the Year Award. The responses to this information collection are used to recognize excellent work by teams, thank the team partners for their efforts, and provide incentives for future team participation.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. Matthew Oreska.

You may also submit comments and recommendations, identified by Docket ID number and title, by the following method:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, Docket ID number, and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Lane Purvis.

Requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Purvis at whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil.

Dated: January 23, 2024.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Board of Regents, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD(P&R)), Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The DoD is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Board of Regents, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (BoR USUHS) will take place.

DATES: Monday, February 5, 2024, open to the public from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. (EST).