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APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION TO PRACTICE BEFORE THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

1A. LEGAL NAME ◯ Mr. ◯ Ms.	**Last Name** **First Name** **Middle Name**	***FOR USPTO USE ONLY***
1B. NAME SHOWN ON VALID GOVERNMENT ID ☐ same as above		
1C. ADDRESS (street, bldg., suite, etc.) This address will be used for official correspondence.	Employer, corporation, law firm, U.S. Government agency. Indicate if student or unemployed.	
		☐ **REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION REQUEST ATTACHED**

1D. CITY	**1E. STATE**	**1F. COUNTRY**	**1G. ZIP CODE**
1H. PHONE NUMBER (daytime)	**1I. E-MAIL** (primary)		**1J. E-MAIL** (secondary)
2. CITIZENSHIP (country)	**3. DATE OF BIRTH** (month, day, year)		**4. PLACE OF BIRTH** (City, State, Country)

FOR ALIENS ONLY ➔ **5. VISA CLASSIFICATION**	**6. PERMANENT RESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES** ◯ YES Attach copy of both sides of ◯ NO permanent residence documentation	**7. ALIEN REGISTRATION NUMBER**	

You are required to update the foregoing information promptly upon any change. Check all the following that apply. Applicants should carefully review the General Requirements Bulletin for detailed instructions on completing this application.

8A. APPLICATION FEE: (PLEASE REFER TO THE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS BULLETIN AND 37 CFR § 11.7)

◯ Enclosed is the non-refundable $118.00 application fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.21(a)(1)(i).

OR

◯ Enclosed is the $1,806.00 fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.21(a)(10).

8B. REGISTRATION EXAMINATION FEE:

◯ I will utilize a commercial test administration service. Enclosed is the Government registration examination fee of $226.00 for test administration by a commercial entity. 37 CFR § 1.21(a)(1)(ii)(A). See the General Requirements Bulletin for information about fees that may be charged by the commercial test administration service.

9. WAIVER OF EXAMINATION: I AM A FORMER USPTO EMPLOYEE AND SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF:

◯ 37 CFR § 11.7(d)(1). ◯ 37 CFR § 11.7(d)(2). ◯ 37 CFR § 11.7(d)(3). Enclosed is the application fee under 8A, above.

10. PREVIOUSLY PASSED EXAMINATION:

☐ I passed an examination on _____ / _____ / _____. Enclosed is the required fee of $226.00 (37 CFR § 1.21(a)(2)) and a completed data sheet.

11. PREVIOUSLY APPLIED FOR ADMISSION:

☐ I previously applied for admission to the registration examination or requested the Office of Enrollment and Discipline to evaluate my scientific and technical qualifications. Enclosed is my application fee under 8A, along with the registration exam fee under 8B.

Date of Previous Application: _____ / _____ / _____ Name on Application, if different _____

12. PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED TO PRACTICE:

☐ I was previously registered to practice in patent cases before the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an attorney or agent.

Registration No. _____

13. BAR MEMBERSHIP:

☐ I am a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of a State or Territory of the United States. A list of all said courts and corresponding bar membership number(s) follows:

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Candor and truthfulness are significant elements of fitness relevant to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office. You should, therefore, provide the Office of Enrollment and Discipline with all available information, however unfavorable, even if its relevance is in doubt, with regard to the questions asked below. For each question answered "YES," provide a detailed statement setting forth all relevant facts and dates along with verified copies of relevant documents. Your responses must be updated, as necessary, prior to your registration. Any documents, evidence or proofs previously filed in a prior application need not be resubmitted unless your response to a question must be changed. Failure to disclose the requested information may result in denial of registration or in disciplinary proceedings, should you become registered. See 37 CFR §§ 11.7(a)(2)(ii), 11.19, and 11.801.

14. ◯ YES ◯ NO Have you ever been disciplined, reprimanded, suspended, expelled, or agreed to surrender a license or have any charges ever been proffered against you in connection with your practice before any Federal or State court, municipal bureau, commission, office, or agency of any kind or character?

15. ◯ YES ◯ NO Have you ever been arrested, charged, or held by Federal, State, or other law enforcement authorities for any violation of any Federal or State law, or any country or municipal law, regulation, or ordinance? (Do not include any misdemeanor before your 16th birthday or traffic violations for which the fine was $100.00 or less.)

16. ◯ YES ◯ NO Have you ever been disciplined, reprimanded, suspended, expelled, or asked to resign or withdraw from any educational institution, or have you resigned or withdrawn from any such institution in time to avoid a request to resign or in time to avoid discipline, reprimand, suspension, or expulsion for conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, misrepresentation, or deceit?

17. ◯ YES ◯ NO Have you ever been disciplined, reprimanded, or suspended in any job for conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, misrepresentation, deceit, or for any violation of Federal or State laws or regulations?

18. ◯ YES ◯ NO Have you ever been fired or discharged from any job, or have you been asked to resign or quit for conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, misrepresentation, deceit, or any violation of Federal or State laws or regulations?

19. ◯ YES ◯ NO Have you ever resigned or quit a job when you were under investigation or inquiry for conduct which could have been considered as involving dishonesty, fraud, misrepresentation, deceit, or violation of Federal or State laws or regulations, or after receiving notice or been advised of possible investigation, inquiry, or disciplinary action for such conduct?

20. ◯ YES ◯ NO Have you ever been discharged from military service under conditions "other than honorable," or by reason of the sentence of a Court Martial or being dropped from the rolls?

21. ◯ YES ◯ NO Are you delinquent on any State or Federal debt? (Include delinquencies arising from Federal or State taxes, loans, overpayment of benefits, and other debts to the U.S. Government and defaults on Federally guaranteed or insured loans such as student and home mortgage loans.)

22. TYPE OF REGISTRATION: ◯ All Patent Matters ◯ Design Patent Matters Only

23. EDUCATION: List **all degrees** conferred. Attach any required documentation as discussed in the General Requirements Bulletin. If you applied previously for an exam, please see the General Requirements Bulletin section titled "REAPPLYING TO TAKE THE EXAMINATION" for what you must submit.

Degree Received as indicated on Transcript	College	Date Received	Major Subject as indicated on Transcript

Upon the basis of the foregoing information and any attached documents, I hereby apply for registration to practice in patent matters before the United States Patent and Trademark Office. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001.

24. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT	**DATE**

MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:
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