

U.S. Patent Formalities

The Guide to the Formal Requirements

Topics

- Introduction to U.S. Patent System, USPTO and the AIA
- Requirements and Formal Documents for a U.S. Patent Application
- Prosecuting a U.S. Patent Application (Objections/Rejections, Timing, RCE practice and Appeals)
- Post-Issuance of a Granted U.S. Patent
- Challenging U.S. Patents

Special course for:
■ Administrators
■ Legal Assistants
■ Paralegals

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A Guide for Patent Prosecution Practitioners

Aims and objectives

This course will provide a detailed guidance to the formal requirements of U.S. patent prosecution. The instructors will describe the necessary papers, forms and fees required for U.S. patent practice, as well as the best practices for meeting those requirements. It aims to give a practical, in-depth understanding of the U.S. Patent System.

Participants will have the opportunity to raise questions on all aspects of the procedures. Commonly arising problems and practical solutions will be discussed.

This course is also tailored to European practitioners. It will thus highlight the important differences between U.S. and European formalities and provide guidance on how to effectively meet the U.S. formalities when prosecuting counterpart applications in Europe and elsewhere.

Who should attend?

Do you work as an IP administrator, legal assistant, formalities manager/officer or paralegal in private practice and deal with U.S. patent formalities? Then this course is designed for you and all those who require an overview of the administrative and formalities requirements of the U.S. Patent System.

Documentation

Delegates will receive a course material folder containing comprehensive documentation provided by the speakers, which will be a valuable source of reference for the future.

Your speakers



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James C. Signor focuses his practice on serving European clients in all aspects of U.S. intellectual property law. His patent prosecution practice has a particular emphasis in the mechanical, electrical and computer fields. He is also experienced in drafting opinions on patent validity, patentability and the freedom to operate, drafting petitions for reexamination and Inter Partes Review, assisting in patent infringement litigation and counseling with respect to litigation-related matters, performing due diligence and negotiating and drafting license and joint development agreements.



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Kristen Zuk holds a B.A. from the University of Virginia and has over seven years of administrative experience. As a Legal Assistant she is engaged in all aspects of U.S. patent prosecution, including preparing and filing all formal documents at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. She regularly works closely with attorneys and clients to ensure timely satisfaction of all requirements from application filing to patent issuance. She speaks English and German.

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Introduction to U.S. Patent System and USPTO

- Laws, rules and USPTO guidelines
- USPTO Website and Resources
- PAIR
- Global Dossier

Requirements and Formal Documents for a U.S. Patent Application

- Types of U.S. Patent Applications
- Parts of a U.S. Patent Application and Required Filing Forms
- Applicant and Assignment
- Example Filing of a Sample U.S. Patent Application (National Phase)
 - Sample Application, Forms and Amendments
 - e-Filing with Private PAIR
 - EPAS Assignment Portal
 - Differences for Other Application Types

Prosecuting a U.S. Patent Application

- USPTO Papers Issued after Filing
- Accelerated Examination Possibilities
- Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- Office Actions
 - Restriction Requirements
 - Types of Rejections, Requirements for Patentability
 - Examiner Interviews and Ombudsman
- After-final Procedure
- Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
- Appeals
- Allowance and Issuance

Post-Issuance of a Granted U.S. Patent

- Term and PTA
- Payment of Maintenance Fees
- Reissue and Certificates of Correction
- Patent Marking

Challenging Patents at the USPTO

- 3rd Party Submissions
- Inter Partes Review (IPR); Post-Grant Review (PGR)
- Covered Business Methods (CBM)

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■ **Fee**

€ 1250.00 (+ 21% VAT)

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Any Further Questions?



Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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