IC No.	Item	Responses	Filing fee	Total filing fee cost
		(a)	(b)	(c) (a) × (b)
1	(TEAS RF)	94,756 82,053 70 9,390 114,779 99,392 9 1,232 15,064	275.00 225.00 600.00 400.00 275.00 225.00 600.00 400.00 275.00	26,057,900.00 18,461,925.00 42,000.00 375,600.00 31,564,225.00 22,363,200.00 5,400.00 492,800.00 4,127,536.00 2,934,900.00
Totals	(TEAS Plus).	437,599		109,561,086.00

In addition, the USPTO charges a processing fee of \$125.00 per class for certain TEAS RF and TEAS Plus applications. If an applicant files a TEAS Plus or TEAS RF application that does not satisfy the relevant

requirements for TEAS RF or TEAS Plus, they will be required to submit the additional \$125 processing fee to bump the application back up to TEAS Regular. The total processing fees associated with this collection can vary depending on the number of classes in each application.

The total processing fees of \$209,500, shown in the table below, reflect the minimum processing fees associated with this information collection.

IC No.	Item	Responses	Processing fee	Total processing fees
		(a)		
1	Processing fee for applications that fail to meet the additional filing and processing requirements for the reduced filing fee (TEAS RF).	898	\$125.00	\$112,250.00
1	Processing fee for applications that fail to meet the additional filing and processing requirements for reduced filing fee (TEAS Plus).	778	125.00	97,250.00
Totals		1,676		209,500.00

Applicants incur postage costs when submitting the non-electronic information covered by this collection to the USPTO by mail. The USPTO expects that approximately 99 percent of the responses in this collection will be submitted electronically. The USPTO estimates that the overwhelming majority of the paper forms are submitted to the USPTO via first-class mail. The USPTO estimates that 137 will be mailed with a first-class-postage cost of \$0.49 per submission. Therefore, the USPTO estimates that the postage costs for this collection will be \$67.13.

Therefore, the USPTO estimates that the total annual (non-hour) cost burden for this collection in the form of filing fees (\$109,561,086), processing fees (\$209,500), and postage costs (\$67.13) is \$109,770,653.13.

## IV. Requests for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection. They also will become a matter of public record.

Comments are invited on:

- (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility;
- (b) The accuracy of the agency's estimation of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information;
- (c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, *e.g.*, the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

# Marcie Lovett,

Records and Information Governance Division Director, OCTO, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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# DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

# United States Patent and Trademark Office

# Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Patent Petitions Related to Application and Reexamination Processing Fees

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USTPO) 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. Chapter 35).

Title: Patent Petitions Related to Application and Reexamination Processing Fees.

OMB Control Number: 0651–0059. Form Number(s):

- PTO/SB/17P
- PTO/SB/23
- PTO/SB/24a
- PTO/SB/28 (EFS-Web only)
- PTO/SB/140 (EFS-Web only)

*Type of Request:* Revision of a currently existing collection.

Number of Respondents: 374,972

responses per year.

Average Hours per Response: The USPTO estimates that it takes the public approximately 5 minutes (0.08 hours) to 12 hours to complete items in this collection, depending on the petition. This includes the time to gather the necessary information, prepare the petitions and petition fee transmittals, and submit them to the USPTO. The USPTO estimates that it takes the same amount of time to gather the necessary information, prepare the submission, and submit it electronically as it does to submit the information in paper form.

Burden Hours: 42,195 hours annually. Cost Burden: \$3,147,594.80.

*Needs and Uses:* USPTO petitions practice provides patent applicants the ability to request certain administrative reviews of USPTO decisions and also supply additional information to applications currently being processed. The public uses the information in this collection to petition for various actions under 37 CFR 1.17(f), (g), and (h), such as petitioning for a suspension of the rules, requesting access to an assignment record, or requesting the withdrawal of an application from issue either before or after paying the issue fee. In addition, the public uses these petitions to request accelerated examination, to request abandonment of an application to avoid publication of said application, and to request certain extensions of time. The public uses the transmittal form to remit the required fees for the various petitions. The USPTO uses the information collected from the petitions and transmittal form to determine whether to grant the various requests and to ensure that the proper fees have been remitted and are processed accordingly.

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 *reginfo.gov*. Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Further information can be obtained by:

- Email: InformationCollection@ uspto.gov. Include "0651–0059 copy request" in the subject line of the message.
- Mail: Marcie Lovett, Records and Information Governance Division Director, Office of the Chief Technology

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 October 30, 2017 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.

#### Marcie Lovett,

Records and Information Governance Division Director, OCTO, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### Office of the Secretary

Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation Prosecution and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** General Counsel of the Department of Defense, Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Investigation Prosecution and Defense of Sexual Assault in the Armed Forces will take place.

**DATES:** Day 1—Open to the public, Thursday, October 19, 2017 from 1:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Day 2—Open to the public, Friday, October 20, 2017 from 8:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** One Liberty Center, 875 N. Randolph Street, Suite 1432, Arlington, Virginia 22203.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dwight Sullivan, 703–695–1055 (Voice), 703–693–3903 (Facsimile), dwight.h.sullivan.civ@mail.mil (Email). Mailing address is DACIPAD, One Liberty Center, 875 N. Randolph Street, Suite 150, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Web site: http://dacipad.whs.mil/. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda can be found on the Web site.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of

1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102–3.140 and 102–3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: In section 546 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Pub. L. 113-291), as modified by section 537 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Pub. L. 114-92), Congress tasked the DAC-IPAD to advise the Secretary of Defense on the investigation, prosecution, and defense of allegations of rape, forcible sodomy, sexual assault, and other sexual misconduct involving members of the Armed Forces. This will be the fourth public meeting held by the DAC-IPAD. On the first day of the meeting, the Committee will hear testimony from a former senior airman who is a sexual assault survivor. The Committee will then receive a briefing on the Department of Defense and Military Services' sexual assault-related expedited transfer policies. For the last session of the day, the Committee will hear from senior military special victims' counsel and victims' legal counsel about their experiences assisting clients with expedited transfers and their perspectives on the victims' counsel program. On the second day of the meeting, the Committee will hear from a panel of company, squadron, or Service equivalent commanders and their senior enlisted advisors about the sexual assault military justice and response training they received and their experience dealing with sexual assault allegations. Next, the Committee will hear from a panel of special courtmartial convening authorities regarding the sexual assault military justice and response training they received and their experience dealing with sexual assault allegations and making initial case disposition decisions. For the last session, the DAC-IPAD Case Review Working Group will update the Committee on the working group members' review of sample sexual assault cases. Agenda: Thursday, October 19, 2017: 1:15 p.m.-1:30 p.m. Public Meeting Begins—Welcome and Introduction; 1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m. Perspective of a Sexual Assault Survivor; 2:30 p.m.-3:20 p.m. Briefing on the Department of Defense (DoD) and Military Services' Expedited Transfer Policies; 3:20 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Break; 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Service Special Victims' Counsel/Victims' Legal Counsel (SVC/ VLC) Perspectives on the Expedited Transfer Policy and SVC/VLC Program; 5:00 p.m. Public Meeting Adjourned. Friday, October 20, 2017: 8:45 a.m.-

Friday, October 20, 2017: 6:45 a.m.—9:00 a.m. Public Meeting Begins—Welcome and Introduction: 9:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m. Company, Squadron, or