Establishment of Mail Stop Post Issue; Revision and Deletion of Certain Mail Stops

Effective immediately, the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) has

established a new mail stop, Mail Stop Post Issue, and several mail stops have been deleted, or

changed. Correspondence that should be directed to Mail Stop Post Issue includes

correspondence in applications that have issued as a patent, such as requests for changes of

address (other than a fee address, which should be addressed to Mail Stop M Correspondence),

powers of attorney, revocations of powers of attorney, withdrawal of attorney, and submissions

under 37 CFR 1.501.

The mail stops that should no longer be used are: Mail Stop Application Number;

Mail Stop CPA; Mail Stop Design; Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment; Mail Stop Patent

Application; and Mail Stop Provisional Patent Application. Correspondence that would have

been addressed to these mail stops no longer needs a specific mail stop. Mail Stop Non-Fee

Amendment has been changed to Mail Stop Amendment. Mail Stop PGPUB-ABD has been

changed to Mail Stop Express Abandonment and all requests and petitions for an express

abandonment under 37 CFR 1.138 should be directed to this mail stop.

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