

USPTO Study on Patent Pro Bono Program: Listening Session for Patent Lawyers and Agents

United States Patent and Trademark Office
600 Dulany Street, Alexandria VA -GIPA Venice Room
Wednesday, June 7, 2023 - 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

AGENDA

1:00 PM	Welcoming Remarks Derrick Brent, Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Deputy Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office
1:10 PM	General Commentary for Congressionally Mandated Study on Patent Pro Bono Programs James Silbermann, Senior Counsel for Enrollment and Intellectual Property Legal Services
1:25 PM	Overview of Patent Pro Bono Program Kimberly Kelleher, Staff Attorney - Office of Enrollment and Discipline
2:00 PM	Overview of PTAB Pro Bono Program Janet Gongola, Vice Chief Judge - Patent Trial and Appeal Board
2:15 PM	Presentation from Program Stakeholders Jim Patterson, Principal at Patterson Thuente IP; Chair of Pro Bono Advisory Council Warren Tuttle, Open Innovation Director - MarketBlast; PBAC Board Member Deborah Miron, Executive Director – Federal Circuit Bar Association Rodney Rothwell, Partner - Kilpatrick Townsend
3:30 PM	Open Floor for Input and Commentary on the Pro Bono Programs
3:55 PM	Closing Remarks James Silbermann, Senior Counsel for Enrollment and Intellectual Property Legal Services