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| **CERTIFICATION AND REQUEST TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER THE LAW SCHOOL PILOT PROGRAM**  |
| Attorney Docket Number:  | Application Number (if known):  | Filing date:  |
| First Named Inventor:  |
| Title:  |
| Participating Law School: |
| **APPLICANT HEREBY REQUESTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LAW SCHOOL PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION. See Instruction Sheet on page 2.** This request must be timely filed electronically using the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web. 1. By filing this request, **applicant hereby requests early publication under 37 CFR 1.219 and the publication fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d) accompanies this request.** 2. By filing this request applicant agrees to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview and elect an invention that meets the eligibility requirements for the Law School Pilot Program, if the Office determines that the claims are not obviously directed to a single invention. See Instruction Sheet. 3. By filing this request applicant certifies that this application meets all of the eligibility requirement for special status under the Law School Request to Make Special Pilot Program. 4. The application contains no more than three (3) independent claims and twenty (20) total claims. 5. The application does not contain any multiple dependent claims. 6. By filing this request the undersigned certifies that a preexamination search was conducted and the results of the preexamination search are included on an Information Disclosure Statement or that the results of the preexamination search were previously submitted.7. By filing this request the undersigned certifies that the applicant is a small entity or a micro entity.8. By filing this request the undersigned certifies that the Office of Enrollment and Discipline is being concurrently notified of the filing of this request. |
|  Signature  | Date  |
| Name (Print/Typed)  | Registration Number  |
| ***Note:*** *Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required in accordance with 37 CFR 1.33 and 11.18. Please see 37 CFR 1.4(d) for the form of the signature. If necessary, submit multiple forms for more than one signature, see below\*.*  |
| \*Total of \_\_\_ forms are submitted.  |

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**Instruction Sheet for Request to Make Special Under the Law School Pilot Program**

(Not to be submitted to the USPTO)

***The following is a summary of the requirements\* (for more information see the notice (i) “Pilot Program for Law School Request to Make Special” available on the USPTO web site at http://www.uspto.gov/forms/index.jsp):***

(1) The application must be a non-reissue, non-provisional utility application filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a), or an international application that has entered the national stage in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371, irrespective of the filing date of the application. Reexamination proceedings are excluded from this pilot program.

(2) The application must contain three or fewer independent claims and twenty or fewer total claims. The application must not contain any multiple dependent claims. For an application that contains more than three independent claims or twenty total claims, or multiple dependent claims, applicant must file a preliminary amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 to cancel the excess claims and/or the multiple dependent claims at the time the request to make special is filed.

(3) The claims must be directed to a single invention. The request must include a statement that, if the USPTO determines that the claims are directed to multiple inventions (e.g., in a restriction requirement), applicant will agree to make an election without traverse in a telephonic interview.

(4) The request to make special must be timely filed electronically using the USPTO electronic filing system, EFS-Web, and selecting the document description of “Certification and Request to Make Special Under the Law School Pilot Program” on the EFS-Web screen. Applicant should use form PTO/SB/419, which is available as a Portable Document Format (PDF) fillable form in EFS-Web and on the USPTO Web site.

(5) The request to make special must be filed at least one day prior to the date that a first Office action (which may be an Office action containing only a restriction requirement) appears in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Applicant may check the status of the application using PAIR.

(6) The request to make special must be accompanied by a request for early publication in compliance with 37 CFR 1.219 and the publication fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(d).

(7) At the time of filing, applicant must certify that a preexamination search was conducted and the results of the preexamination search must be included on an Information Disclosure Statement or must have been previously submitted.

(8) The request to make special must be filed on behalf of a small entity or a micro entity.

(9) The application for which the request to make special is filed must meet all the eligibility requirements for consideration in the Pilot Program for Law School Certification and Request to Make Special. The law school participating in the Law School Pilot Program must notify the contact person at the Office of Enrollment and Discipline at the USPTO of the filing of the request to make special under the Pilot Program for Law School Certification and Request to Make Special.

**\*** Requirements for information collections, beyond those pertaining to a certification, are covered by existing OMB Paperwork Reduction Act approvals, including OMB Control No. 0651-0031.