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☒ You must provide one U.S. serial number or registration number to support this legal basis for your letter of protest.

Serial Number

Mark

Applicant Name

Publication Date

☐ POST PUBLICATION LETTER OF PROTEST REQUIREMENTS: I understand the requirements for filing a letter of protest after publication and want to proceed even though the application has already been published. I understand that a letter of protest does not stay the time period for filing a notice of opposition with the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board.

Legal Basis*

*What is the legal basis for your letter of protest? (More than one option can be selected.) Please note that prior use of the mark, a dispute over ownership of mark, or issues of fraud are NOT an appropriate legal basis for filing a letter of protest and will result in the denial of the letter of protest.

☐ Mark is likely to cause confusion with an existing U.S. Trademark Registration or prior pending application or application with an earlier effective filing date or priority claim. Enter U.S. Registration Number/Serial Number in text box. If identifying more than five Registrations Number/Serial Numbers, you must attach a chart in the evidence section on the next screen. Please only list the most relevant registrations or applications.

☐ Mark is generic.

☐ Mark is merely descriptive or misdescriptive, or should have an element disclaimed on that basis.

☐ Mark is primarily geographically descriptive or misdescriptive, or should have an element disclaimed on that basis.

☐ Mark is involved in pending litigation that involves a federally registered mark or prior pending application. Remedy requested in court proceeding includes cancellation, abandonment or amendment of the protested application. Copy of the relevant pleading is attached in the evidence section.

☐ Previously registered mark is being used inappropriately in the identification of goods/services. Enter U.S. Registration Number in text box. Identify the registered mark and exactly where in the identification of goods/service it is being used in the description of the evidence section on
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EVIDENCE

You must attach evidence to support the legal grounds for refusal of registration. To maintain the integrity of the ex parte examination process, evidence should never identify the protested or its representatives or contain any arguments or persuasive language. The evidence must be objective, independent, and factual and not consist of links to websites but include copies of the actual webpages.

An index in all letters of protests that contain multiple forms of evidence is encouraged. Any index or chart provided should not appear on letterhead, identify the protested or include other extraneous information. A separate itemized index must be attached to any submission of evidence exceeding 75 pages or the letter of protest may be denied.

If the protest is based on a likelihood of confusion with a U.S. Registration(s) or prior pending application(s), do not attach the registration certificate or printout from the USPTO database as evidence. Instead this requirement is met by providing the U.S. Registration or serial number under the Legal Basis section of this form. If more than five U.S. Registrations or serial numbers are being provided, in addition to listing the numbers on the first page, you must provide a chart that includes all of the relevant numbers, marks, and identification of goods/services that are identical or related to the protested application. If the goods/services are not identical, evidence of the relatedness of the goods/services must be attached or the letter of protest may be denied.

If the legal basis for your letter of protest is that a previously registered mark is being used inappropriately in the protested application's identification of goods/services (ID), please identify the U.S. Registration number of the previously registered mark in the Legal Basis section of this form and, in the text entry box below, indicate the mark that appears in the protested application's ID and exactly where in the ID it is being used. You may also suggest an appropriate generic term that should be used instead of the registered mark.

Evidence File
Click on the 'Browse' button to select a JPG/PDF file that contains the evidence from your local drive.

For complete requirements concerning PDF files, click here.
WARNING: The file size cannot exceed 5 megabytes per attachment for JPG or 30 megabytes per attachment for PDF. You must include evidence with your letter of protest.

1 file(s) attached

Describe what the evidence submitted consists of:
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Electronic Signature

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Signatory's Name ____________________________

Signatory's Position ____________________________

Signatory's Phone Number ____________________________

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Text Form for Handwritten Signature Scanning

This option uses a Text Form (available after clicking on the Validate button) that will be signed by the proper signatory(ies) in the traditional “pen-and-ink” manner. Or, if you already have a signed statement for this letter of protest, you can attach it directly here, rather than relying on the USPTO's text form version. NOTE: If you are using the Text Form approach, you must after validation save the letter of protest data, and then pull up the saved form to attach the scanned file for final submission.

Click on the Browse/Choose File button to select file that contains the scanned signature from your local drive. The scanned file should only include the appropriate signature information (signature, signatory's name, signatory's position, and signature date).

NOTE: If necessary, the actual signatory may complete the following fields directly on the Text Form, if you do not know who will be signing the form. If left blank, you will initially receive a WARNING message, which you can bypass by clicking the “Continue” button. After receipt of the signed statement, you must then use the information provided therein to complete the fields for “Signatory’s Name” and “Signatory’s Position.” At the time of final submission, these are mandatory fields, which will produce an ERROR if left blank.

- Signatory's Name
- Signatory's Position

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On Mon Feb 06 11:41:18 EST 2017 You completed all mandatory fields.

■ STEP 1: Review the form data in various formats, by clicking on the phrases under Form Data. Use the print function within your browser to print these pages for your own records.

Application Data

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■ STEP 2: If any of the information is incorrect, click on the Go Back to Modify button (bottom of this page) to make changes; then re-validate the form by clicking on the Validate Form button (bottom of the form).

Note: If you are using the e-signature approach or the handwritten pen-and-ink signature approach, you must click on the final link to access the specific "text form" for that purpose.

■ STEP 3: If there are no errors and you are ready to file this form electronically, confirm the e-mail address for acknowledgment. Once you submit the form electronically, we will send an electronic acknowledgment of receipt to the e-mail address entered below. If no e-mail address appears, you must enter one. If we should send the acknowledgment to a different e-mail address, or to an additional address(es), please enter the proper address or additional address(es). For multiple addresses/receipts, please separate e-mail addresses by either a semicolon or a comma.

NOTE: This e-mail address is only for the purpose of receiving the acknowledgment that the transmission reached the USPTO, and is not related to the e-mail that will be used for correspondence purposes (although it could be the same address). The official e-mail address that the USPTO will use for any communication is whatever appears in the record for that purpose. If necessary, use the Change of Correspondence address form to update an e-mail address, as it will NOT be changed based on the specific entry below.

* E-mail for acknowledgment

To ensure we can deliver your e-mail confirmation successfully, please re-enter your e-mail address(es) here:

* E-mail for acknowledgment

■ STEP 4: To download and save the form, click on the Download Portable Data button at the bottom of this page. The information will be saved to your local drive. To begin the submission process with saved data, you must open a new form, and click on the "Browse/Choose File" button displayed on the initial form wizard page. At "[OPTIONAL] To access previously saved data, use the "Browse/Choose File" button below to access the file from your local drive." REMINDER: Do NOT try to open the saved .obj/.xml form directly. You must return to the very first page of the form, as if starting a brand new form, and then use the specific "Browse/Choose File" button on that page to import the saved file. Clicking on the "Continue" button at the bottom of that first page will then properly open the saved version of your form.

■ STEP 5: Click on the Submit button below to complete the filing process. Shortly after clicking that button, you should see a screen that says SUCCESS! Within 24 hours, the email acknowledgement will also be sent.