

TRADEMARK INFORMATION NETWORK CRITICAL APPLICATION ISSUES

- 1) Registration is **not** instantaneous or guaranteed
 - Each application must be **reviewed**
 - Applications may be **refused** or need to be **corrected**
 - You may be required to pay additional **fees**

- 2) Use the **electronic resources** provided by the Office
 - Check your application status on the [Trademark Status and Document Retrieval](#) system (TSDR)
 - View, download, and print application documents through TSDR

- 3) Check your application status every **3 or 4 months**
 - Failure to respond to Office correspondence may result in the **abandonment** of your application
 - Update correspondence information through the website's [Change of Correspondence Address form](#)

- 4) If you have questions, **ask**
 - For technical questions, contact the **TEAS Help Desk** at TEAS@USPTO.GOV
 - For general information, contact the [Trademark Assistance Center](#) (TAC) at 1-800-786-9199
 - For specific questions regarding your application, contact the assigned **Examining Attorney**

- 5) Beware of **solicitations** that resemble official documents
 - While hiring an attorney may be beneficial in prosecuting your trademark application before the Office, the USPTO does **NOT** require **representation by an attorney**
 - While trademark watch services may help protect your mark, the USPTO neither requires nor is affiliated with any **trademark monitoring services**