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## General Comment

I am a U.S. registered attorney and I support the proposed change.

Additionally, I suggest the PTO to set up a secured system, like the Private PAIR for patent applications, for filing and prosecuting trademark applications, since the current system allows changes to be made to the application data (including the contact details of the attorney) by anyone.

There was one instance in which a third party changed my email address registered with the PTO to the email address of my clients competitor. This led to a significant consequence to my client, since the subsequent correspondences from the PTO were sent to my clients competitor instead of to me. At that time, my client wanted to register their trademark with the brand registration department of Amazon.com, but failed to timely receive the verification code due to this unauthorized change of the email address.

Therefore, setting up a secured system for filing and prosecuting trademark applications is strongly suggested.