



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Delegation of Authority

Pursuant to my authority as Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, I delegate to the Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Deputy Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (Deputy Director) the authority to review matters concerning both Director Review and the Appeals Review Panel before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board, when I have a conflict in such matters. In the event the Deputy Director has a conflict in any such matters, those matters are delegated to Michelle Ankenbrand to handle.

This delegation is effective immediately, supersedes any prior delegations concerning Director Review and any conflicting delegations set forth in the memo entitled "Procedures for Recusal to Avoid Conflicts of Interest and Delegations of Authority" that was issued on March 4, 2025, and remains in effect until revoked.

6 Oct 2025

Date

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "John A. Squires", is written over a horizontal line.

John A. Squires

Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and
Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office