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Sen. Michael F. Bennet  
c/o Monisha Merchant  
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Washington, D.C.

*Via email – to Monisha Merchant -- [atmonisha\\_merchant@bennet.senate.gov](mailto:atmonisha_merchant@bennet.senate.gov)*

Re: Colorado Satellite Office for US Patent and Trademark Office

Dear Senator Bennet:

Thank you for working to establish a satellite office for the US Patent and Trademark Office in Colorado.

This firm is very much in support of such a development. Colorado would be an ideal location for a new USPTO satellite office. We can offer the following benefits:

We are home to one of the country's most vibrant clusters of innovation, technological development, and economic growth. Our innovation-based industries are heavily dependent on the approval of new patents for growth.

Additionally, Colorado boasts a large number of technology workers who would be excellent long-term patent examiners. Our general population exemplifies values of competence, excellence and hard work, and would be an excellent source for workers at all levels.

The cost of living in the Denver area is less than that in Washington, DC and many other places in the US, which means cost-savings to the taxpayers in operating the USPTO as a whole.

In addition, we have many patent attorneys in this area who would appreciate the convenience of a local satellite office.

Establishing a satellite office here would provide an infusion of the fresh, innovative thinking for which our part of the country is famous into the Patent and Trademark Office.

*creating valuable intellectual property assets worldwide*

Senator Michael Bennet

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These unique benefits, among many others, make Colorado the perfect choice for a new office.

If our firm can be of assistance, please don't hesitate to call on us.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ellen P. Winner". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Ellen P. Winner, JD