Query of Permanent Resident Practitioners Registered to Practice in Patent Matters under 37 CFR § 11.6

The USPTO currently allows U.S. citizens or permanent residents to be registered to practice matters before the USPTO. 37 CFR § 11.6. The USPTO has published a list of practitioners at https://www.uspto.gov/learning-and-resources/patent-and-trademark-practitioners/finding-patent-practitioners.

Recently, the Office of Enrollment and Discipline ("OED") mailed letters to 17 permanent resident registered practitioners to verify their current immigration status, and to verify their current contact information. These letters were mailed in June 2023.

The practitioners were given approximately 60 days from the date of the initial query letter in which to respond. The letters advised that failure to respond might result in a withdrawal of registration.

On November 16, 2023, the USPTO mailed follow-up letters to those practitioners who did not respond to the June 2023 letters. The follow-up letters provided a response deadline of January 16, 2024.

The following 11 practitioners did not respond to OED's letters or otherwise provide the requested information:

Un Seop Song
Bernard McDonald
Jaewoo Park
Alexander Wittkopp
Go Sayamoto
William Halford
WaiYin Chong
Eva Maria Hannak
Yan Wang
Seunghee Kang
Ching-Tang Chen

Notice is hereby given to those practitioners listed in this notice that failure to respond to the aforementioned letters and provide the requested information by June 15, 2024, will result in the termination of the registration to practice in patent matters and removal from the patent register under 37 CFR \S 11.6(a)(1) and (b)(1).

Practitioners whose registration is withdrawn for failure to respond to the query remain eligible to reapply for registration or recognition.

The authority for this action is 37 CFR § 11.6(a) and (b).

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