Query of Canadian Trademark Agents Reciprocally Recognized to Practice in Trademark Matters under 37 CFR § 11.14(c)(1)

The USPTO currently allows registered Canadian trademark agents who reside in Canada to apply for recognition to represent clients located in Canada in trademark matters before the USPTO, subject to the provisions of 37 CFR § 2.17(b) and (c), and § 11.14(c)(2). The USPTO has published a list of these reciprocally recognized practitioners at https://www.uspto.gov/learning-and-resources/patent-and-trademark-practitioners/finding-trademark-practitioner.

To ensure the list is accurate, OED intends to query the listed Canadian trademark agents to verify their good standing with the Canadian College of Patent Agents and Trademark Agents, and to verify their current contact information.

Recipients of the query will have approximately 45 days from the date of the initial query letter in which to respond. Failure to respond to OED's query letter may result in a withdrawal of reciprocal recognition. As a courtesy, OED will mail a reminder letter to those trademark agents who fail to respond to the initial query letter. The reminder letter will instruct these agents that failure to respond will result in their recognition being withdrawn. The reminder letter will require a response within approximately 30 days of mailing. Those agents failing to respond to either letter will receive a notice apprising them that their recognition to practice before the USPTO in trademark matters has been withdrawn.

OED will also publish in the Official Gazette a notice listing those agents who did not respond to the query letter and, later, another notice advising of those whose recognition has been withdrawn. Agents whose recognition is withdrawn for failure to respond to the query remain eligible to reapply for recognition.

The authority for this action is $37 \text{ CFR } \S 11.14(c)(1)$.

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