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**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**Delegation of Authority**

Pursuant to my authority as Acting Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Acting Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and for the time period specified below, I delegate to Michelle Ankenbrand the authority to review matters concerning the Patent Trial and Appeal Board, including Director Review, when I have a conflict in such matters.

This delegation is effective immediately and remains in effect until revoked, revokes the prior delegation to Thomas Krause of these matters, and while in effect this delegation supersedes 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 April 20, 2022.

2/19/26  
Date

Coke Morgan Stewart  
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