

TABLE 2—TOTAL BURDEN HOURS AND HOURLY COSTS TO INDIVIDUAL AND HOUSEHOLD RESPONDENTS

Item No.	Item	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Number of responses	Estimated response time (hours)	Estimated annual burden hours	Rate ² (\$/hr)	Total hourly cost burden
		(a)	(b)	(a) × (b) = (c)	(d)	(c) × (d) = (e)	(f)	(e) × (f) = (g)
2	Application by Law School Faculty Member to Become a Faculty Clinic Supervisor.	10	1	10	1	10	\$62.89	\$629
3	Application for Limited Recognition for Law Students.	750	1	750	0.5	375	27.19	10,196
6	Certification and Request to Make Special under the Law School Program.	5	1	5	1	5	62.89	314
Total		765	765	390	11,139

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Non-hourly Cost Burden: \$46.

There are no maintenance costs, capital start-up costs, or recordkeeping costs associated with this information collection. However, the USPTO estimates that the total annual (non-hour) cost burden for this information collection, in the form of postage is \$46.

Postage

The USPTO does not presently use automated or other technological information collection techniques for the items in this collection of information, but submissions are accepted electronically through email. Submissions are also accepted via postal mail and hand delivery. The USPTO expects that only five (5) submissions will be submitted through the U.S. Postal Service. The remaining items will be submitted electronically. The average USPS postage cost for a mailed submission, using a Priority Mail flat rate legal envelope is \$9.25. Therefore, the USPTO estimates that the total postage costs for the mailed submissions in this information collection will total \$46.

¹ The USPTO expects that university faculty members will complete most of the items in this information collection at an estimated rate of \$62.89 per hour. The faculty rate is found in the Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics (25–1112 Law Teachers, Postsecondary (<https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes251112.htm>)). While no exact number is listed as a mean hourly wage, USPTO reached the estimated rate by taking the mean annual wage (\$130,820) and dividing it by 2,080, which is the number of annual work hours based on a 40-hour work week. Faculty members serving as Clinic Supervisors must be practicing attorneys (and registered with the Patent Bar for those schools handling patent matters before the USPTO on behalf of applicants).

The cost for law students applying to participate in the program is estimated to be at the 50% hourly rate for legal occupations (BLS 23–0000 Legal Occupations) which is \$27.29 per hour (<https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes230000.htm>). This accounts for law students' possible employment in various entry level legal positions.

² Ibid.

IV. Request for Comments

The USPTO is soliciting public comments to:

(a) Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

All comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. USPTO will include or summarize each comment in the request to OMB to approve this information collection. Before including an address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information (PII) in a comment, be aware that the entire comment—including PII—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask in your comment to withhold PII from public view, USPTO cannot guarantee that it will be able to do so.

Justin Isaac,

Information Collections Officer, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Copyright Office

[Docket No. PTO–C–2022–0035]

Study on Non-Fungible Tokens and Related Intellectual Property Law Issues

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; United States Copyright Office, Library of Congress.

ACTION: Notice of inquiry; extension of written comment period and date change for public roundtables.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) and United States Copyright Office (USCO) (collectively, the Offices) published a request for comments in the **Federal Register** on November 23, 2022, seeking comments from the public on various intellectual property (IP) law and policy issues associated with non-fungible tokens (NFTs). Through this notice, the Offices are extending the period for written public comment until February 3, 2023. In addition, the Offices are changing the dates of the public roundtables in this study.

DATES:

Written comments: Written comments must be received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on February 3, 2023.

Public roundtables: The roundtable on *Trademarks and NFTs* will now be held on Tuesday, January 24, 2023; the roundtable on *Patents and NFTs* will now be held on Thursday, January 26, 2023; and the roundtable on *Copyrights and NFTs* will now be held on Tuesday, January 31, 2023. The deadline for requests to participate as a panelist in one or more of the roundtables is unchanged. Such requests must be

received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on December 21, 2022.

ADDRESSES:

Submission of written comments: For reasons of Government efficiency, comments must be submitted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at www.regulations.gov. To submit comments via the portal, enter docket number PTO-C-2022-0035 on the homepage and click "Search." The site will provide a search results page listing all documents associated with this docket. Find a reference to this request for information and click on the "Comment Now!" icon, complete the required fields, and enter or attach your comments. Attachments to electronic comments will be accepted in ADOBE® portable document format (PDF) or MICROSOFT WORD® format. Because comments will be made available for public inspection, information that the submitter does not desire to make public, such as an address or phone number, should not be included. Visit the Federal eRulemaking Portal for additional instructions on providing comments via the portal. If electronic submission of comments is not feasible due to a lack of access to a computer and/or the internet, please contact the Offices using the contact information below for special instructions on how to submit comments by other means.

Submission of business confidential information: Any submissions containing business confidential information must be marked "confidential treatment requested" and submitted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Submitters should provide an index listing the document(s) or information they would like the Offices to withhold. The index should identify the confidential document(s) by document number(s) and document title(s) and should identify the confidential information by description(s) and relevant page number(s) and/or section number(s) within a document. Submitters should provide a statement explaining their grounds for requesting non-disclosure of the information to the public as well. The Offices also request that submitters of business confidential information include a non-confidential version (either redacted or summarized) that will be posted on www.regulations.gov and available for public viewing. In the event that the submitter cannot provide a non-confidential version of their submission, the Offices request that the submitter post a notice in the docket stating that they have provided the Offices with business confidential information. Should a submitter fail

either to docket a non-confidential version of their submission or to post a notice that they have provided business confidential information, the Offices will note the receipt of the submission on the docket with the submitter's organization or name (to the degree permitted by law) and the date of submission.

Anonymous submissions: The Offices will accept anonymous submissions. Enter "N/A" in the required fields if you wish to remain anonymous.

Public roundtables: The roundtables will be conducted virtually. Requests to participate as a panelist at one or more of these roundtables must be submitted via email to NFTStudySpeakingRequests@uspto.gov and must be received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on December 21, 2022. Requests to participate as a panelist at a roundtable made in any other form, including as part of comments submitted via the Federal eRulemaking Portal, will not be considered. If email submission of requests to participate as a panelist is not feasible, please contact the Offices using the contact information below for special instructions. The submission of written comments in response to this notice is not a prerequisite to participation as a panelist in a roundtable. Please note that the Offices will review all requests to participate and will endeavor to invite participants representing diverse viewpoints on the subject matter discussed at each roundtable. The Offices may not be able to accommodate all requests.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 23, 2022, the Offices published a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing that the Offices are conducting a joint study regarding issues of intellectual property (IP) law and policy associated with non-fungible tokens (NFTs) in response to a June 9, 2022 request from Senators Patrick Leahy and Thom Tillis. See Notice of inquiry; notice of public roundtables, 87 FR 71584 (Nov. 23, 2022). In that notice, the Offices indicated that they are seeking public comments on these matters to assist in their work on IP policy related to NFTs and in conducting the study. To assist in

gathering public input, the Offices published questions and sought focused written public comments on various (IP) law and policy issues associated with NFTs. The notice requested written public comments be submitted on or before January 9, 2023. In addition, the Offices announced a series of three public roundtables to allow them to gather further input.

Through this notice, the Offices are extending the period for written public comments until February 3, 2023, to give interested members of the public additional time to submit comments. Previously submitted written comments do not need to be resubmitted.

The Offices are also changing the dates of the three public roundtables. The roundtable on *Trademarks and NFTs* will now be held on Tuesday, January 24, 2023; the roundtable on *Patents and NFTs* will now be held on Thursday, January 26, 2023; and the roundtable on *Copyrights and NFTs* will now be held on Tuesday, January 31, 2023. The deadline for requests to participate as a panelist in one or more of the roundtables is unchanged. Such requests must be received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on December 21, 2022.

All other information and instructions to commenters provided in the November 23, 2022, notice remain unchanged.

Katherine K. Vidal,

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

Shira Perlmutter,

Register of Copyrights and Director, United States Copyright Office.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Quarterly Public Meeting

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

Date and Time: January 31, 2023, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., ET.

Place: The meeting will be virtual only via Zoom webinar.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind