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### Interview

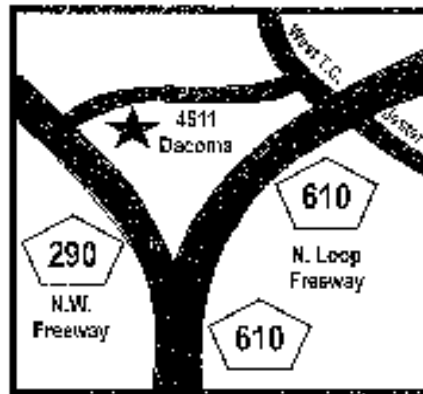
We conduct interviews in Alexandria, Virginia, on a monthly basis directly with Patent Examiners at the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) reviewing patent applications and replying to their concerns for a faster response.

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### DIRECTIONS:

#### Going North up 290

Exit Dacoma/Mangum, stay in far left lane, do u-turn under freeway. Make left at Dacoma. Third building on right (single story brick building behind wrought iron fence).

#### Going South down 290

Exit Dacoma/Mangum, turn left at Dacoma and go under freeway, third building on right behind wrought iron fence.

#### From Galleria Area—610 North

Take exit for US-290 W via exit 13B towards Austin. Exit Dacoma/Mangum, stay in far left lane, do u-turn under freeway. Make left at Dacoma, third building on right.

#### From 45—610 West

Take exit 13C, TC Jester, stay on frontage road, follow it around curve as if you were heading west on 290, turn right on Dacoma, third building on right.

# PATENTS

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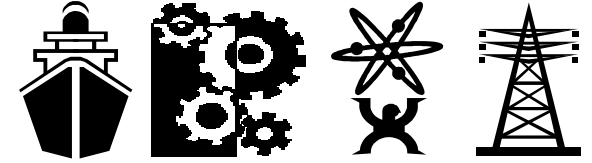
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## What Is Patentable?

- Devices
- Methods
- Systems
- Computer Instructions
- Formulations
- Business Methods
- Ornamental Designs of Useful Article

How long do patents last? Generally 20 years from filing.

## Who owns a patent?

The inventor, unless transferred in writing to another.

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## The Process:

(12 Steps—Takes 3 - 5 Years)

Draft

File

Obtain Filing Receipt

Receive Office Action From Government

File Response to Office Action

Interview at USPTO in Alexandria, VA (if desired)

Obtain 2nd Office Action

File 2nd Response to Office Action

Obtain Notice of Allowance

Pay Issue Fee

Receive Issue Notification

Obtain Printed Patent

## Maintenance Fees:

Pay Maintenance Fees at 3.5 years, 7.5 years and 11.5 years to keep patent enforceable.

Initial Consultations start at \$350

## Proper Notice Examples:

U.S. Patent Pending all foreign rights reserved; or  
U.S. Patent No. 7,114,825

## Patents & Patent Applications Are:

ASSETS to increase company value

MARKETING TOOLS to differentiate a company from it's competitors

WEAPONS to protect a patent holder's market share (each patent is a weapon, not a shield)

LICENSABLE providing revenue from others for using the technology

R&D TAX CREDIT (6-20% tax credit) from the IRS upon proof of R&D. A patent application supports a position that company did R&D and is entitled to the credit

## Can improvements be filed on an issued patent?

Yes, an improvement patent application can be filed.

## How soon can a patent application be licensed?

As soon as it is filed.

## Can a patent be transferred?

Yes, using an "assignment agreement".