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To provide practitioners and other stakeholders with the ability to provide additional feedback to inform the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB)'s precedential and informative decision designation process, we have updated our [PTAB Decision Nomination Webpage](#) to provide the option to request the “de-designation” of a PTAB decision that is currently identified as “precedential” or “informative” and that serves as a guiding force for the Board.

To provide a better user experience, we have also updated our [Status of Director Review requests webpage](#), which includes the cases in which Director Review has been granted. The page now organizes Director Review decisions by subject matter and provides more convenient access to all recent actions and cases.

“These two changes are in direct response to stakeholder feedback we’ve received,” said USPTO Director Kathi Vidal. “They are clear examples of how important stakeholder feedback is to us, and how it can be

used to improve our services as we work to deliver robust and reliable IP rights and enhance customer experience.”

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