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May 7, 2008 - The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) today filed a Notice of Appeal with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, appealing the April 1, 2008 decision of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia which granted summary judgment in favor of the plaintiffs and permanently enjoined the USPTO from implementing a rule package that would have limited the number of continuing applications and the number of claims patent applicants may file.

Jennifer Rankin Byrne, a spokeswoman for the PTO confirmed the appeal.

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