# Boardside Chat: Interview with Chief Judge James Donald Smith



Patent Trial and Appeal Board Webinar Series (1 of 5) February 3, 2015



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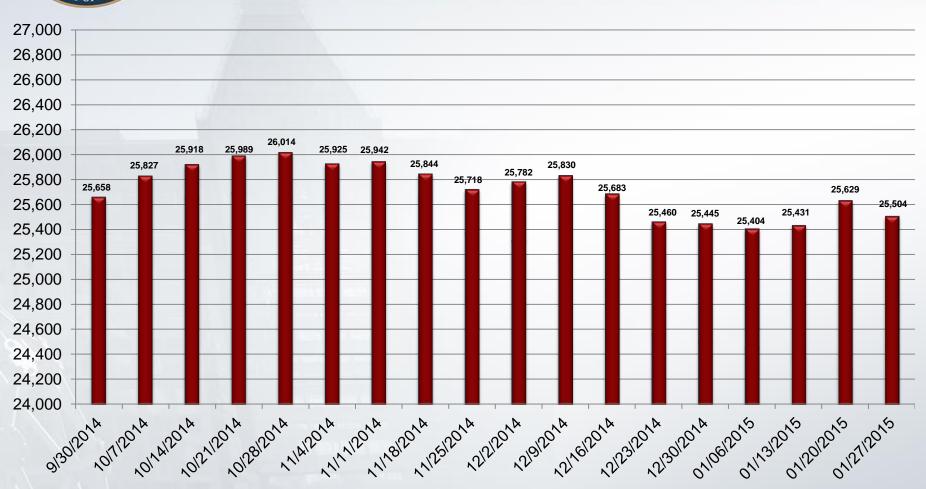


#### **Ex Parte Appeals**



#### **Pending Ex Parte Appeals**

(excluding appeals from reexamination proceedings)





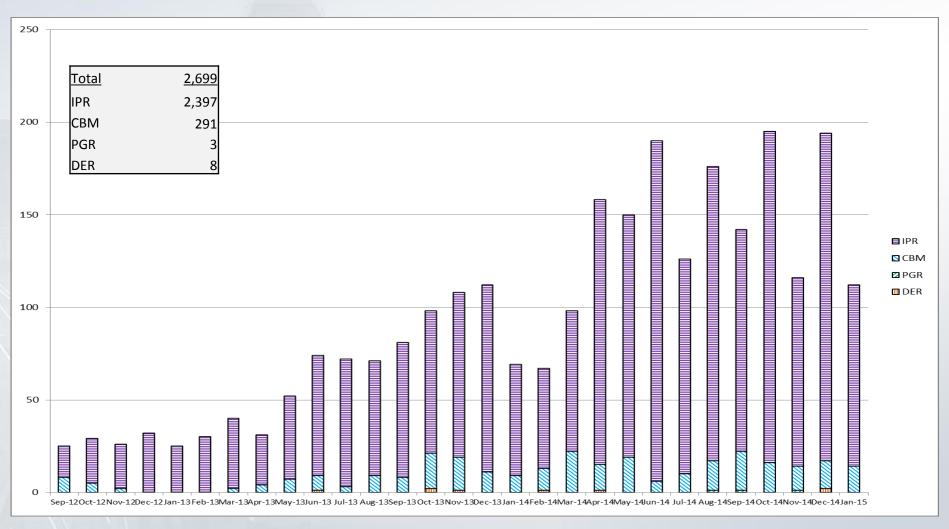
# Ex Parte Receipts and Dispositions (12/27/2014 thru 01/27/2015)

Discipline	# Cases Received	# Cases Disposed	Difference (Disposed minus Received)
Biotech	62	24	-38
Business Methods	50	76	26
Chemical	126	83	-43
Contested Cases	9	15	6
Design	2	5	3
Electrical	313	369	56
Mechanical	230	178	-52
***Totals***	792	750	-42



#### **AIA Trials**

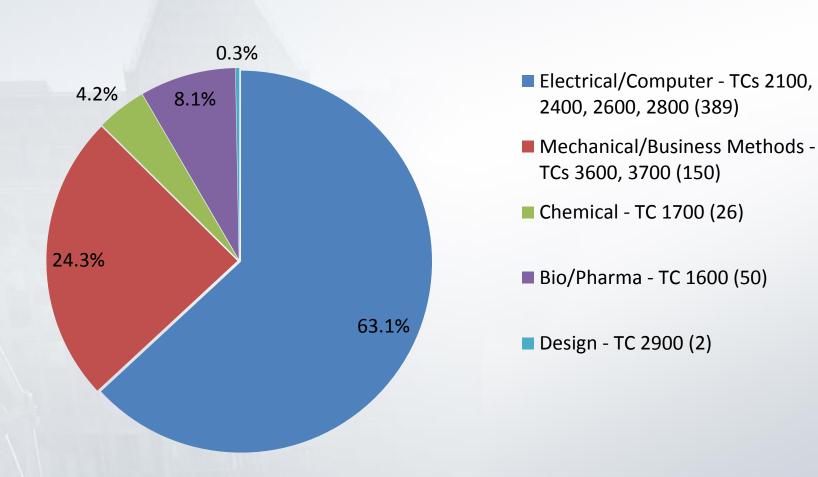






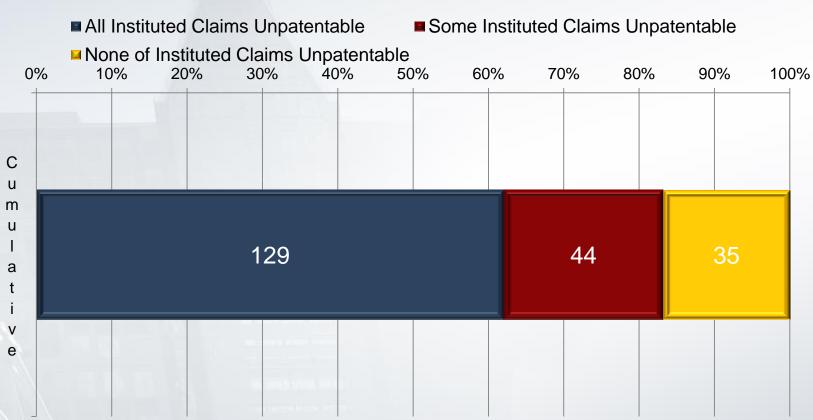
# AIA Petition Tech Breakdown

(for FY15 through January 29, 2015)





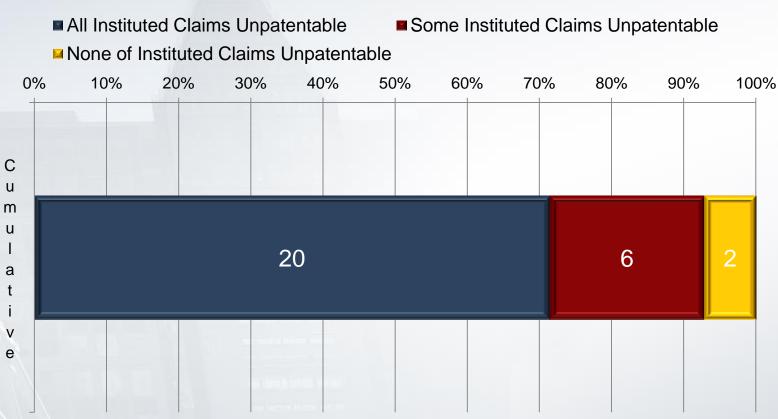
# Final Written Decisions in IPRs (as of 1/15/2015)



\*IPR (208 Final Written Decisions)



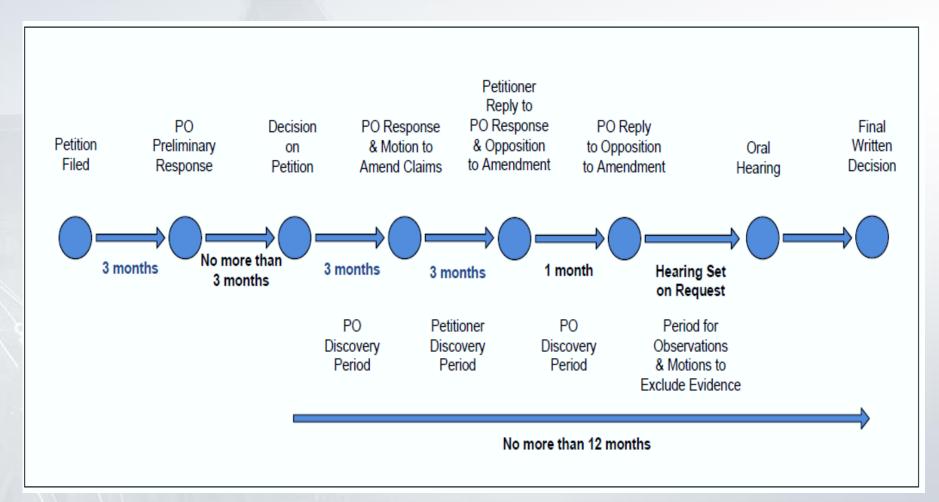
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\*CBM (28 Final Written Decisions)



#### **AIA Trial Process**



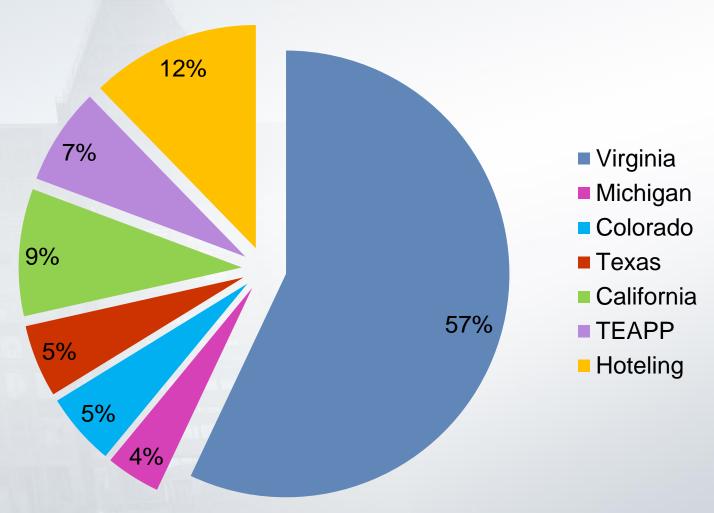


# Administrative Patent Judges



#### **PTAB Location Demographics**

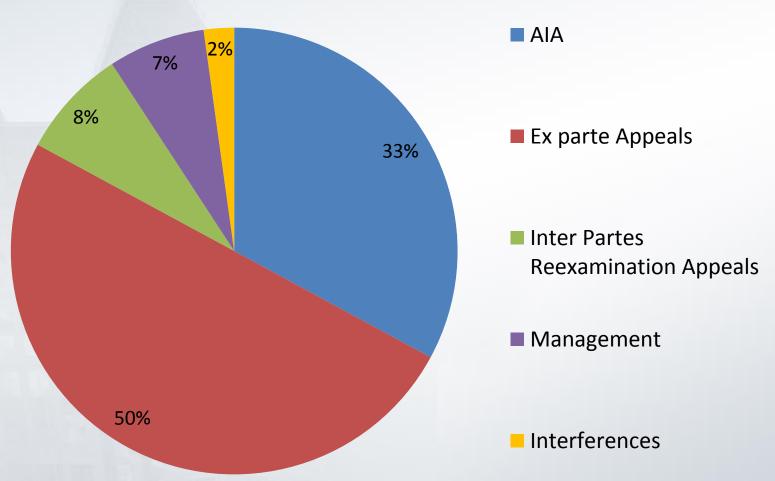
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#### **Allocation of Judges**

(as of January 26, 2015)





- Goal is to add 60 more judges by October 2015
- Detroit-based APJ position open on USAJOBs: <a href="https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/393260300">https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/393260300</a>
- APJ announcement open on USAJOBs for all other locations:

https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/393261400

• Both announcements close on March 2, 2015



## Questions?



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