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Roger W. Jones Award for Executive Leadership
Office of the Dean
School of Public Affairs, Ward 310
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4400 Massachusetts Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20016-8022

Dear Sir or Madam:

Thank you for your invitation to submit nominations of career executives for the Roger W. Jones Award for Executive Leadership. The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) has a very talented and high performing team of executives; and I am pleased to recommend an exceptional USPTO career executive who has consistently achieved outstanding results for the organization.

Enclosed please find nomination information for Deborah S. Cohn, Commissioner for Trademarks, including:

- a brief biographical sketch;
- a narrative description of Ms. Cohn's superior leadership that resulted in outstanding organizational achievement; and
- a narrative description of Ms. Cohn's strong commitment to effective continuity of government, through successful development of managers and executives.

Under her direction, the Trademark Organization has pioneered new and innovative programs, as well as greatly improved many existing programs, and Ms. Cohn is deserving of the Roger W. Jones Award for Executive Leadership.

Thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to call me if you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David J. Kappos".

David J. Kappos
Under Secretary and Director

Enclosure