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General Comment

The Inter-Partes review provides a place of defence and security of legitimate patents based on true intellectual property ownership, as well as victims of those who hold incorrectly provided patents based on illegitimate claims to intellectual property.

The nature of true innovation is that of working at the fringes of developmental technologies and research. In some cases the innovation in individual industries can develop beyond the pace of the United States Patent and Trademark Office's ability to fully understand the implications, culture, and timeline around legitimate innovations and wrongful claims to innovation. This can and has lead to patents being wrongfully granted despite the best efforts of the USPTO.

The Inter-Partes review is a vital part of retrospective review and security for owners of legitimate patents, and a critical place for the USPTO to make sure incorrectly provided patents do not continue to be misused.

Any effort to diminish the Inter-Partes review damages legitimate intellectual property owners, US innovation, and international innovation.