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Dear USPTO,

I think Honolulu, Hawaii should be considered for a satellite patent office, because it is centrally located for access to the Pacific Rim area.

It would also be helpful if all patent search resources available to examiners were also available to the public. Currently they are only available at USPTO headquarters search room, except for the patented and published patent applications. But making these search resources available in non-the contiguous states, namely, Hawaii and Alaska would give the public better access to patent searches made on their own.

Even better would be if the USPTO made all search resources available to examiners available online. But I suspect the Office has had trouble doing this because the USPTO, in my opinion, has wrongfully allowed pay-per-view resources to be counted as prior art for obviousness determinations, because the USPTO is given free access by the database proprietors, even though the public is not. In my view, although an invention is anticipated even if its teaching is discovered in rolled up in a jar in someone's garage, an obviousness rejection should only be allowed to rely on a teaching that is available to the public without undo restriction, for otherwise it cannot be considered available to one of ordinary skill. The fees charged to access proprietary databases are too prohibitive to be considered freely available, even though at the USPTO they are free.

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