

businesses. To support this, the USPTO—in collaboration with various non-profit organizations—implemented the Patent Pro Bono program; a series of autonomous regional programs that act as matchmakers to help connect low-income inventors with volunteer patent attorneys across the United States. The Patent Pro Bono program comprises a network of regional programs organized by various bar associations, law school IP clinics, and lawyer referral services that provide services across all fifty states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

In 2022, the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) began coordinating *pro bono* opportunities through the newly created PTAB Pro Bono Program, having supported the establishment of a national clearinghouse that acts as a matchmaker to connect under-resourced inventors with volunteer patent practitioners across the United States for assistance in preparing and arguing *ex parte* appeals before the PTAB. The PTAB Bar Association's national clearinghouse provides access to legal representation for *pro bono ex parte* appeal services across all fifty states and the District of Columbia.

Each *pro bono* program will be requesting that their respective regional programs and a national clearinghouse collect demographic information from those seeking assistance that will be self-identified by the applicant. The requested standardized demographic information, collected through Applicant Intake Forms, will be a voluntary part of the overall application materials that each independent inventor fills out when seeking *pro bono* assistance. The information collected will be kept confidential by the regional programs and the national clearinghouse and only aggregate information is shared with the USPTO. This aggregate information, will also be used to help determine the extent to which women, minorities, and veterans engage the Pro Bono Programs supported by USPTO.

This renewal of 0651–0082 broadens the scope of the information collection to include the PTAB Pro Bono Program, in addition to the Patent Pro Bono Program that was covered under this collection. The name of the information collection has been adjusted from “Pro Bono Survey” to “Patent and PTAB Pro Bono Programs” in order to include related programs under this single information collection. This information collection includes an instrument capturing data for the Patent Pro Bono program (Patent Pro Bono Survey) and its applicant participations (Patent Applicant Intake Form). The

information collection also has a similar instrument that covers the collection of data for the PTAB program (PTAB Pro Bono Survey) and the applicants requesting to participate in that PTAB offering (PTAB Applicant Intake Form).

*Form Number(s):*

- USPTO/550 (Patent Pro Bono Survey)
- USPTO/551 (Patent Applicant Intake Form)
- USPTO/552 (PTAB Pro Bono Survey)
- USPTO/553 (PTAB Applicant Intake Form)

*Type of Review:* Extension and revision of a currently approved information collection.

*Affected Public:* Private sector; individuals or households.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Annual Respondents:* 1,763 respondents.

*Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 1,832 responses.

*Estimated Time per Response:* The USPTO estimates that the responses in this information collection will take the public between approximately 5 minutes (0.08 hours) and 2 hours to complete. This includes the time to gather the necessary information, fill out the item, and submit the completed request to the USPTO.

*Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours:* 332 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Respondent Non-Hourly Cost Burden:* \$1,333.

This information collection request may be viewed at [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov). Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce, USPTO information collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for this information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function and entering either the title of the information collection or the OMB Control Number 0651–0082.

Further information can be obtained by:

- *Email:* [InformationCollection@uspto.gov](mailto:InformationCollection@uspto.gov). Include “0651–0082 information request” in the subject line of the message.
- *Postal mail:* Justin Isaac, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office,

P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450.

**Justin Isaac,**

*Information Collections Officer, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket Number DARS–2022–0020; OMB Control Number 0750–0005]

### Information Collection Requirements; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Part 225, Disclosure of Employment of Individuals Who Work in the People's Republic of China

**AGENCY:** Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Defense Acquisition Regulations System has submitted to OMB for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 1, 2023.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title and OMB Number:* Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 225, Disclosure of Employment of Individuals Who Work in the People's Republic of China; OMB Control Number 0750–0005.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

*Number of Respondents:* 30.

*Annual Responses:* 50.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 50.

*Reporting Frequency:* On Occasion.

*Needs and Uses:* This information collection implements section 855 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 (Pub. L. 117–81, 10 U.S.C. 4651 note prec.). DoD uses the information obtained through this collection to ensure compliance with the statute as follows:

DFARS 252.225–7057, Preaward Disclosure of Employment of Individuals Who Work in the People's Republic of China. The offeror's disclosure is required when the offeror

submits a proposal in response to a solicitation for a contract or subcontract with a value in excess of \$5 million, excluding contracts for commercial items. The solicitation provision requires the offeror to disclose their proposed use of workforce and facilities in the People's Republic of China, if the offeror employs one or more individuals who will perform work in the People's Republic of China. The offeror will provide their disclosure in writing.

DFARS 252.225-7058, Postaward Disclosure of Employment of Individuals Who Work in the People's Republic of China. Before renewing a covered contract, the contractor's recurring postaward disclosure is required from covered entities for fiscal years 2023 and 2024, to disclose if the contractor employs one or more individuals who perform work in the People's Republic of China. The disclosure must include the total number of individuals who will perform work in the People's Republic of China on the contract and a description of the exact street location of the physical presence in China where the work on the contract will be performed.

DoD uses this information to provide the congressional defense committees with briefings that summarize the disclosures received from offerors and contractors, in accordance with section 855 of the NDAA for FY 2022.

Comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Ms. Susan Minson, DoD Desk Officer, at [Oira\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:Oira_submission@omb.eop.gov). Please identify the proposed information collection by DoD Desk Officer and the Docket ID number and title of the information collection.

You may also submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by the following method: Federal eRulemaking Portal: <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

DoD Clearance Officer: Ms. Angela Duncan. Requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Ms. Duncan at [whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil](mailto:whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil).

**Jennifer D. Johnson,**

*Editor/Publisher, Defense Acquisition Regulations System.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

[Docket ID: DoD-2022-HA-0132]

**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs (OASD(HA)), Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** 30-Day information collection notice.

**SUMMARY:** The DoD has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 1, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Angela Duncan, 571-372-7574, [whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil](mailto:whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number:* Active Duty Dental Program (ADDP) Claim Form; OMB Control Number 0720-0053.

*Type of Request:* Extension.  
*Number of Respondents:* 75,000.  
*Responses per Respondent:* 4.  
*Annual Responses:* 300,000.

*Average Burden per Response:* 15 minutes.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 75,000.  
*Needs and Uses:* The information collection is necessary to obtain and record the dental readiness of Service Members using the Active Duty Dental Program (ADDP) and at the same time submit the claim for the dental procedures provided so that claims can be processed and reimbursement made to the provider. Many Service Members are not located near a military dental treatment facility and receive their dental care in the private sector.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; individuals or households.

*Frequency:* On occasion.  
*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.  
*OMB Desk Officer:* Mr. Matthew Eliseo.

You may also submit comments and recommendations, identified by Docket

ID number and title, by the following method:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name, Docket ID number, and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

*DoD Clearance Officer:* Ms. Angela Duncan.

Requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Ms. Duncan at [whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil](mailto:whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil).

Dated: January 25, 2023.

**Aaron T. Siegel,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

[Docket ID DoD-2022-OS-0099]

**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (OUSD(P&R)), Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** 30-Day information collection notice.

**SUMMARY:** The DoD has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 1, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

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