

**Fee Estimate – U.S. Patents (IN US\$)
2010**

| DESCRIPTION | ATTORNEY FEES | OFFICIAL FEES <i>Small Entity (Large Entity)</i> |
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| Initial office or telephone consultation up to 1 hour | \$250 | |
| Commissioned Patent Search -- 3-4 week turnaround (no review or opinion*) | \$700 - \$1200 (depending on complexity) | |
| *Review of Patent Search & Verbal or Written Opinion | \$250/hour. (\$800 - \$1500 for written opinion) | |
| Design Application | \$1000 plus \$200/page drawings | \$230 (\$460) |
| Utility Patent Application Filing (simple mechanical) | \$4000 - \$5000 | \$545 (\$1090) <= 20 claims |
| Utility Patent Application Filing (mechanical/electrical of average complexity) | \$5500 - \$8500 | \$545 (\$1090) <= 20 claims |
| Utility Patent Application Filing (computer/Internet of average complexity) | \$6500 - \$10,000 | \$545 (\$1090) <= 20 claims |
| Utility Patent Application Filing (complex technologies) | \$8000 - \$12,000 | \$545 (\$1090) <= 20 claims |
| Excess claim fees* More than 3 independent/ or 20 total claims | | \$110 (220) per ind. claim \$26 (52) per claim over 20 |
| Provisional Patent Application Filing (must be converted within 1 year to utility application for additional fees and costs) | Generally \$1000 - \$3000 less than estimates noted above | \$110 small entity (\$220 large entity) |
| Formal Drawings | | Approx. \$200 per page |
| Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) | \$300 | \$3 per non-patent reference |
| Receipt, review, docket, and transmit each Office Action with comments | \$250 - \$500 (more if detailed review included) | |
| Written Response to Office Action(s) | \$750 - \$2500 each | plus fee for any excess claims or extensions of time |
| Telephone Conference with client or USPTO Examiner | \$250/hr | |
| Other misc. prosecution fees: Serial Number, Filing Receipt, Notice of Publication, Notice of Allowance, docketing, reminders, status reports | \$75 - \$150 each document (approx. \$500 - \$800 per year of pending application) | |
| Extensions of Time to Respond [1, 2, or 3 month] | \$100 - \$200 | \$65/245/555 small entity (\$130/490/1110 large entity) |
| Utility Issue Fee and docketing maintenance; Design Issue Fee and docketing maintenance | \$250 | \$755 (1510) utility \$430 (860) design |
| Utility Publication Fee | | \$300 utility |
| 1 st maintenance Fee | \$250 | \$490 (\$980) utility |
| 2 nd maintenance Fee | \$250 | \$1240 (\$2480) utility |
| 3 rd maintenance Fee | \$250 | \$2055 (\$4110) utility |
| Preparation/Recording of Patent Assignment | \$250 - \$400 | \$40 per property |
| Request for Continued Exam (RCE) | \$250 - \$1000 (or more if amendment included) | \$405 (\$810) |

** Minimum retainer for utility patent application is \$5000. Clients should budget a minimum of \$10,000 for the patent process through grant (not including the search). The above quotes are merely for general reference. Additional costs and fees not listed herein may be incurred depending on your particular case.*

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