

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Margot Lynne Dorfman)
Terry Lynn Williams) Examiner: Scott Baldwin
Serial No.: 78/078,585) Law Office: 112
Filed: August 10, 2001)
Mark: **U.S. WOMEN'S CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

Attorney's Reference: 41615-188081

BOX FEE
Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Trademarks
2900 Crystal Drive
Arlington, Virginia 22202-3513

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

In response to the "final" refusal issued in this matter, attached is a Declaration supporting the use of the substitute specimen as of a date at least as early as the filing date of this application.

With respect to the "final" refusal of registration based upon Registration No. 1,522,157, the Examining Attorney is asked to consider the following.

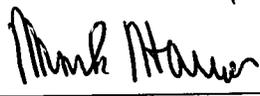
1. Applicant is the owner of U.S. Trademark Registration No. 2,644,856 for the mark THE WOMEN'S CHAMBER OF COMMERCE as used to identify services substantially the same as those services listed in this application. The cited registration issued with a disclaimer of the wording CHAMBER OF COMMERCE and a claim of distinctiveness with respect to the designation "U.S."

The wording CHAMBER OF COMMERCE in the cited registration is therefore clearly "generic" and, as such, incapable of trademark significance.

Applicant respectfully submits that the combination of its ownership of a registration for a substantially identical trademark for substantially identical services, taken together with the fact that the only non-generic portion of the cited mark is the descriptive designation "U.S.," is sufficient to preclude any likelihood of confusion between the applicant's mark and the mark shown in the cited registration.

It is therefore respectfully requested that the final refusals be withdrawn and that this mark be forwarded for issuance on the Supplemental Register.

Respectfully submitted,

By: 

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DECLARATION

The undersigned declares that he/she is authorized to execute this Declaration on behalf of the applicants; that the attached specimen was in use in commerce at least as early as the filing date of this application; that all statements made herein of his/her own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this document or the application referred to therein.

Done, this 22nd day of September, 2003.

By: 
Mark Harrison
Attorney for Applicant



*promotes the growth and economic
development of women and facilitates women
in leadership roles in our community.*

August 2, 2001

T. J. Alston

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "T. J. Alston". The signature is written in a cursive style with some loops and is positioned over the typed name.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your enthusiastic support of the U.S. Women's Chamber of Commerce. It is exciting to hear your ideas in support of our vision of economic growth for women.

We look forward to working together to make a difference here in Arizona and throughout the United States with the national network of U.S. Women's Chamber of Commerce affiliates.

Additionally, we welcome you to our National Advisory Board in support of the growth of the chamber.

Sincerely,

The Women's Chamber of Commerce

Margot Dorfman
CEO

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REQUEST TO SUSPEND APPEAL

Sir:

Applicant hereby requests that the appeal filed in connection with this application be suspended pending the Examining Attorney's consideration of the Request for Reconsideration and the Declaration Supporting Specimen filed concurrently in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

By: [Handwritten signature of Mark B. Harrison]

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