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- [Feb 13, 2014: Enhancements to IPONZ's Case Management Facility](#)
- [Feb 05, 2014: IPONZ closed for Waitangi Day – Thursday 6 February 2014](#)
- [Jan 31, 2014: The Journal](#)
- [Jan 14, 2014: Closed for Wellington Anniversary Day – Monday 20 January 2014](#)

The Journal

24 December 2014

The December edition of the Journal is now available.

To view the sections of the journal select the links below:

- [General Information](#) [798 KB PDF].
- [Patent, Trade Mark and Design applications and registrations.](#)

WIPO coming to New Zealand on 5 and 6 March 2015

IPONZ is pleased to announce the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) will be coming to New Zealand as part of its worldwide series of roving seminars.

These seminars are invaluable for anyone with an interest in global intellectual property protection and doing business internationally.

Learn directly from senior WIPO experts about the latest intellectual property trends, practical tips and issues.

Who should attend

Anyone who has an interest in global intellectual property protection: Patent Attorneys, intellectual property professionals, New Zealand businesses who use intellectual property internationally (or are thinking about it), researchers, academics, innovators, technology transfer representatives.

Where and when

- Auckland - 5 March 2015
- Wellington - 6 March 2015

The sessions will run in the morning.

The venues, times and program will be advised in the new year.

Update to PCT International fees

The PCT International fees will be updated on 1 January 2015.

[View the updated fees](#)

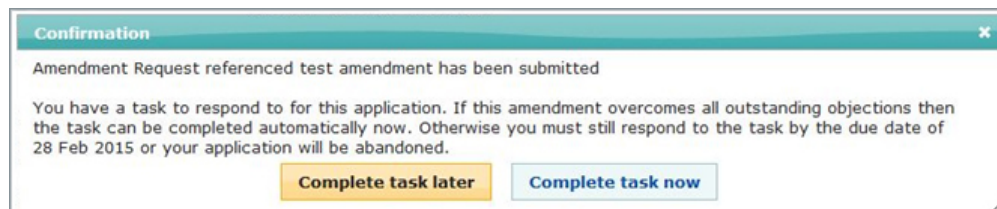
Enhancements to IPONZ's case management facility

11 December 2014

Enhancements to IPONZ's case management facility, effective today, are as follows:

Update to completing a task

A confirmation message will now display if you are making amendments to a case that is awaiting a response to examination issues (task).



You will be given the option of completing the task if you have submitted any of the following requests:

Trade marks

- Amendment
- Change Goods and Services Specification

- Division

Patents

- Voluntary Amendment
- Change inventor

Designs

- Amendment/Alteration
- Division

Plant Variety Rights

- Add information to PVR

If you request any other change to the case you will still be required to respond to the task. e.g. changing applicant details.

Updates to PDF and Excel case summary reports

PDF and Excel generated reports have been enhanced to include the following information:

Trade Marks

- case number on all pages (PDF reports)
- NZD international number
- filing/designation date (excel reports)

Patent reports

- case number on all pages (PDF reports)
- inventor address
- Patent Act (1953 or 2013)
- Traditional Knowledge field
- request for sealing information
- PCT international application number

Design reports

- case number on all pages (PDF reports)
- divisional request text

All Excel search reports for Trade Marks, Patents and Designs will now show renewal due dates.

New Patent document types

You can now upload foreign search reports in response to an examination report.

- [Read more about how to reply to an examination report.](#)
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Decisions of the Commissioner

9 December 2014

Decisions of the Commissioner issued in November are now available online. Select the links to see the decisions.

Trade marks

Number	Mark	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
986696	FERAL	MVL Marlborough Limited	Feral Brewing Company Pty Ltd	2014/46	11/11/2014	Class 32 Application for Declaration of Invalidity
967120 and 967121	FLYGUARD and TICKGUARD	Ravensdown Fertiliser Co- operative Limited	Novartis AG	2014/47	12/11/2014	Class 5 Oppositions
834065	PARACETAMOL OSTEO-TAB	AFT Pharmaceuticals Limited	SmithKline Beecham Limited	2014/48	13/11/2014	Class 5 Application for Declaration of Invalidity

Patents

Number	Title	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
541580	Knowledge- management systems for law firms	West Services, Inc.	CPA Global Limited	2014/29	10/11/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)
548803	Systems, methods, software and interfaces for integration of case law with legal briefs, litigation documents, and/or other litigation- support	Thomson Reuters Global Resources	CPA Global Limited	2014/30	11/11/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)

documents

555948	Systems, methods, software, and interfaces for multilingual information retrieval	Thomson Reuters Global Resources	CPA Global Limited	2014/31	11/11/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)
556503	Systems, methods and software for distributed loading of databases	Thomson Reuters Global Resources	CPA Global Limited	2014/32	11/11/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)
556742	System, methods, and software for integration of case law, legal briefs, and/or litigation documents into law firm workflow	Thomson Reuters Global Limited	CPA Global Limited	2014/33	11/11/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)
562065	Integrated system, tools, and methods for designing automated business process applications	Thomson Reuters Global Limited	CPA Global Limited	2014/34	11/11/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)
577549	Weighing platform	Gallagher Group Limited	Tru-Test Limited	2014/35	27/11/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)

Warning: Unsolicited IP Services

IPONZ has noticed an increasing amount of unsolicited or fraudulent IP protection, promotion or advertising services being offered to IP holders.

If you receive any communication about your IP case from anyone other than:

1. IPONZ
2. WIPO
3. Your appointed IP professional

you should treat them with caution. Particularly if they are preparing to charge you a fee for the service.

Types of requests

If you have applied in New Zealand for or own a registered trade mark, patent, design or PVR, you may also find yourself the target of letters offering to protect your rights overseas. Letters from unfamiliar organisations, especially letters requesting payment for unsolicited services, should be treated with caution.

Often these companies try to create the false impression that they represent an official organisation.

Examples include:

- offers and invoices to renew your patent or trade mark
- offers to register patents or trade marks in international registers or catalogues
- invoices for registration of patents or trade marks in registers
- offers of patent or trade mark monitoring services
- [Example of unsolicited renewal request \[40 KB PDF\]](#)
- [Example of unsolicited renewal request 2 \[368 KB PDF\]](#)

A list of unsolicited or fraudulent IP related schemes and information from around the world including other IP offices can be found on the [World Intellectual Property Organization](#) website.

Get professional advice

If you have any doubts about a communication you have received, you should contact IPONZ or your IP professional to verify its authenticity.

Do you think you have been scammed?

[The New Zealand Ministry of Consumer Affairs](#) provides information to consumers and businesses on their website to help you recognise, avoid and report scams.

IPONZ Christmas-New Year holiday hours

IPONZ will close for business over the holiday period from 5:00pm Wednesday 24 December 2014 and will reopen 8.30am Monday 5 January 2015.

Our website will remain available throughout this period.

Please note the following important considerations:

- If the deadline for filing an application or document falls within the period from 25 December 2014 to 5 January 2015, then the application or document will be filed on time if filed by 5 January 2015.
- For patents and trade marks it is mandatory to communicate with IPONZ using our online case management facility. Communications received outside the case management facility will not be considered valid unless exceptional circumstances exist.
- If a patent or design application is submitted online over the Christmas-New Year period (25 December 2014 to 5 January 2015), the details of the invention or design should not be publicly disclosed until after the official filing date (5 January 2015). If an invention or design is disclosed before the 5 January 2015, then the patent or design may be invalid if granted or registered.

Your online applications will receive an official filing date of:

- 24 December 2014 if they are submitted no later than 11.59pm NZDT on 24 December 2014.
- 5 January 2015 if they are submitted between 25 December 2014 and 5 January 2015.

We wish you a safe holiday and a prosperous New Year.

The Journal

28 November 2014

The November edition of the Journal is now available.

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- [General Information](#) [779 KB PDF].
- [Patent, Trade Mark and Design applications and registrations.](#)

Internet banking is now available with IPONZ

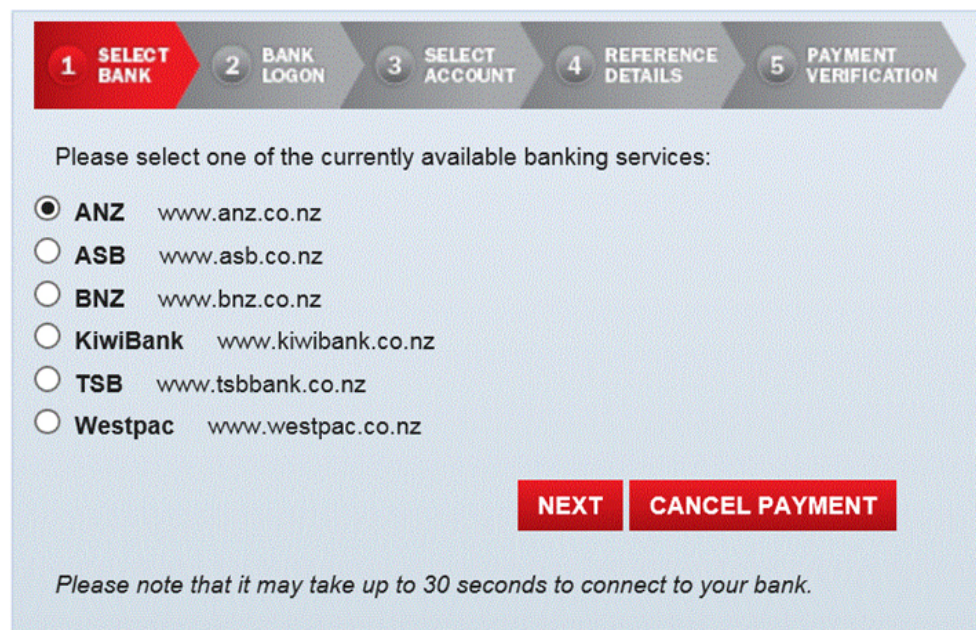
27 November 2014

IPONZ has introduced an internet banking option for making secure payments on the IPONZ case management facility.

This change is in response to client feedback and is available for all IPONZ online transactions that require payment. This service allows users to create a one-off secure payment.

To use this option submit your online request and you will be taken to the payment screen:

1. **select** Internet Banking from the payment type dropdown box,
2. you will be taken to the DPS internet banking screen, **select** your bank from the available list,
3. login to your bank account using your normal login method,
4. you will be presented with your available balance,
5. confirm if you wish to continue with the payment,
6. you will be returned to the IPONZ system with a confirmation of your payment.



1 SELECT BANK 2 BANK LOGON 3 SELECT ACCOUNT 4 REFERENCE DETAILS 5 PAYMENT VERIFICATION

Please select one of the currently available banking services:

ANZ www.anz.co.nz

ASB www.asb.co.nz

BNZ www.bnz.co.nz

KiwiBank www.kiwibank.co.nz

TSB www.tsbbank.co.nz

Westpac www.westpac.co.nz

NEXT **CANCEL PAYMENT**

Please note that it may take up to 30 seconds to connect to your bank.

Bilateral cooperation with the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China

26 November 2014

The Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ) and the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China (SIPO) have signed an Arrangement to strengthen cooperation on operational intellectual property matters.

The Arrangement was signed by Commissioner of Patents, Mandy McDonald, on behalf of IPONZ, and Deputy Commissioner of Patents, Mr Liao Tao, on behalf of SIPO.

The Arrangement provides a platform for collaboration including sharing operational practices and IP awareness information to assist businesses trading in both countries.

Both IPONZ and SIPO agree that, whilst the offices differ in size, they face similar operational issues and share mutual interest in raising IP awareness and contributing to International patent system discussions.



Commissioner Mandy McDonald and Deputy Commissioner Liao Tao after signing the IPONZ-SIPO Arrangement.

Update to Maori advisory committee trade mark practice guidelines

26 November 2014

IPONZ has added a section to its practice guidelines around Maori trade marks in light of the Haka Ka Mate Attribution Act 2014.

Read the updated section of the guidelines:

- [Practice guideline 16. Maori advisory committee & Maori trade marks](#)

[View the superseded practice guidelines section.](#)

Update to trade mark practice guidelines

19 November 2014

IPONZ has updated the practice guidelines. There are minor changes to our office practice where an applicant includes reference to an owner acting as a trustee.

Read the updated section of the guidelines:

- [Practice guideline 2. Filing trade mark applications](#)
- [Practice guideline 12. Amendments to trade mark applications](#)

[View the superseded practice guidelines section.](#)

INTA/IPONZ Roundtables event

11 November 2014



INTA Asia Roundtables Project Team 2014/5 in conjunction with the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand

Assistant Commissioners' perspectives on hearings and Hearings Office tips

Assistant Commissioners' perspectives on getting the most out of your hearings and Hearings Office tips for managing your proceedings cases.

Auckland

Tuesday 25 November 2014

12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Buddle Findlay
PricewaterhouseCoopers Tower
188 Quay St
Auckland 1140

Auckland host and discussion leader: John Glengarry

Wellington

Wednesday 26 November 2014

12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

AJ Park
Level 22, State Insurance Tower
1 Willis Street
Wellington 6011

Wellington host and discussion leader: Kate McHaffie

This is a rare opportunity for practitioners to hear directly from IPONZ Assistant Commissioners Jane Glover and Natasha Alley to get their first hand perspectives on how to get the most out of your trade mark hearings.

The IPONZ hearings office team will also provide practical tips on how to manage your case file, and progress your case to a hearing.

These interactive round table sessions offer a unique setting in which practitioners can raise questions and explore ideas. We encourage you to join your colleagues for some valuable insights in what we expect will be a lively and informative exchange.

Admittance to the Roundtables (which includes a light lunch) is free.

Please confirm registration by Wednesday 19 November 2014 to: kathryn.kelly@simpsongrierson.com, specifying whether you will attend the Auckland or Wellington roundtable.

Please direct any questions to: kathryn.kelly@simpsongrierson.com

Decisions of the Commissioner

5 November 2014

Decisions of the Commissioner issued in October are now available online. Select the links to see the decisions.

Trade marks

Number	Mark	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
971713	KILA'S STYLE	Nora Swann	Arabella Pte. Ltd	2014/43	15/10/2014	Class 45 Opposition
853420	Representation only	Hakutsuru Sake Brewing Co. Ltd	Calidris 28 AG (S.A)	2014/44	15/10/2014	Class 33 Opposition
974222	MEGAFLEX (device mark)	Megaflex S. A.	Holdfast NZ Limited	2014/45	15/10/2014	Classes 17 and 19 Opposition

Patents

Number	Title	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
554991	Kiwifruit compositions / Nutritional compositions	Vital Food Processors Limited	Anagenix Limited	2014/21	08/10/2014	Interlocutory – admissibility of evidence and/or leave to file further evidence
573297	Animal treatment formulation and methods of use	Bayer New Zealand Limited	Pfizer Inc	2014/22	21/10/2014	Section 21 Opposition
573297	Animal treatment formulation and methods of use	Bayer New Zealand Limited	Merial Limited	2014/23	21/10/2014	Section 21 Opposition
593156	A multipoint lock assembly	Abra Aluminium Pty Ltd	Assa Abloy New Zealand Limited	2014/24	24/10/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)
608781	A multipoint lock assembly	Abra Aluminium Pty Ltd	Assa Abloy New Zealand Limited	2014/25	24/10/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)
608783	A multipoint lock assembly	Abra Aluminium Pty Ltd	Assa Abloy New Zealand Limited	2014/26	24/10/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)
591747	Population of dairy cows producing milk with desirable characteristics and methods of making and using same	Therapeutic Foods Limited	Livestock Improvement Corporation Limited	2014/27	30/10/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)
590141	Anthelmintic formulations	Merial Limited	Pfizer Inc	2014/28	30/10/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)

The Journal

31 October 2014

The October edition of the Journal is now available.

To view the sections of the journal select the links below:

- [General Information](#) [473 KB PDF].
 - [Patent, Trade Mark and Design applications and registrations.](#)
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IPONZ closed for Labour Day - Monday 27 October 2014

24 October 2014

IPONZ's office will be closed for business on Labour Day Monday 27 October 2014.

Our website will remain available throughout this period.

Please note the following important considerations:

- If the deadline for filing an application or document falls on 27 October 2014, then the application or document will be filed on time if filed by 28 October 2014.
- As a general rule, if a patent or design application is submitted online on an official closed day, such as on a weekend, the details of the invention or design should not be publicly disclosed until after the official filing date, which will be later than the date of online submission. If an invention or design is disclosed before the official filing date, then the patent or design may be invalid if granted or registered.
- For patents and trade marks it is mandatory to communicate with IPONZ using our online case management facility. Communications received outside the case management facility will not be considered valid unless exceptional circumstances exist.

Your online applications will:

- Receive a filing date of 24 October 2014 if they are submitted no later than 11.59pm NZDT on 24 October 2014.
 - Receive an official filing date of 28 October 2014 if they are submitted on 27 October 2014.
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Enhancements to IPONZ's case management facility

23 October 2014

Enhancements to IPONZ's case management facility, effective today, are as follows:

Updates to the Maintain Client section

We have implemented a number of changes to help users navigate the Maintain Client section.

Two of the main changes are:

- Functionality to ensure that users search the register before having the option to create a new client. This will minimise client duplication in the online IPONZ client database.
- Simplified address entry. When adding a client's address you will be able to copy the physical address as the postal or service address.

Address	Town	Post Code	Country	Address Type	
55 Wordsworth Street	Sydenham	Christchurch	8023	NZ	Physical

[Add New Address](#)
[Copy Physical Address As Postal Address](#)
[Copy Physical Address As Service Address](#)

[Read more about using the Maintain Client section.](#)

Request the Commissioner to Direct Examination

The request information form has been updated to allow submission of requests to direct examination of a patent application under the Patents Act 2013.

I am requesting the Commissioner to direct examination of a patent application

You can make the request through the [Request for Information/Direction online form](#).

[Read more about how to request to the Commissioner to direct examination.](#)

New patent document types

You will be able to upload the following new document types through the additional documents/ correction of error section in the patent amendment screen.

- Micro-organism deposit receipt
- Request extension of time, Reg.147

[Read more about how you upload these new documents.](#)

Decisions of the Commissioner

16 October 2014

Decisions of the Commissioner issued in September are now available online. Select the links to see the decisions.

Trade marks

Number	Mark	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
962236	MONSTERS UNIVERSITY	Disney Enterprises, Inc	Monster Energy Company	2014/39	2/09/2014	Classes 3, 9, 14, 16, 18, 20, 21, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, 32 and 41 Opposition
850761	THE CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT	The Chartered Institute of Management	New Zealand Institute of Chartered	2014/40	3/09/2014	Classes 9, 16, 35, 36, 41, 42 and 45 Opposition

ACCOUNTANTS Accountants Accountants

853232	PEAK (device mark)	Fujian Quanzhou Peak Sports Products Co., Ltd		2014/41	19/09/2014	Class 25 Proposal to reject application under s43
972439	INFLUGARD	Novartis AG	Abbott Biologicals BV	2014/42	25/09/2014	Class 5 Opposition

Patents

Number	Title	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
554471	System and method for automatic response piece information retrieval	United States Postal Service	New Zealand Post Limited	2014/18	10/09/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)
564886	Humidifier and/or flow generator for CPAP device	Resmed Limited	Fisher & Paykel Healthcare Limited	2014/19	11/09/2014	Section 21 Opposition
556537	Anthelmintic compositions	Norbrook Laboratories Limited	Merial Limited	2014/20	22/09/2014	Application for revocation under s42

Update to Trade Mark Practice Guidelines

2 October 2014

IPONZ has made minor updates to the trade marks practice guidelines. The updates, relating to assignments, bring the practice more in line with international counterparts.

- [Read the practice guideline 20. Assignments and transmissions](#)
- [View the superseded practice guidelines section](#)

The Plant Variety Rights Journal

1 October 2014

The latest quarterly edition of the Journal is now available.

Choose from the links below to view the sections of the Journal.

- [General information](#)
 - [Plant variety right applications and registrations](#)
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Filing with ePCT

1 October 2014

The World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) is phasing out the PCT Easy software. WIPO now provides ePCT as the case management facility for PCT International (Treaty) applications.

You should now use ePCT as your electronic facility to apply for Treaty applications and manage your cases during International phase. Using ePCT will give you access to the most up-to-date bibliographic data and documents associated with current and historic Treaty applications that you have filed.

IPONZ has direct access to ePCT where we are the nominated Receiving Office. When filing a new Treaty application using ePCT, you will be given the choice of IPONZ or WIPO (IB) as your Receiving Office.

When you make a Treaty application using ePCT and select IPONZ as your Receiving Office, IPONZ will calculate the transmittal and international fees and advise you what needs to be paid. These two fees should not be paid at the time of application as separate cheques are required for each fee. For a breakdown of current fees, please refer to our [PCT international fees schedule](#).

Other benefits of WIPO's ePCT facility include:

- a case file timeline which records time sensitive deadlines
- a link to WIPO's Digital Access Service (DAS) for obtaining Paris Convention priority documents from DAS.

For more information about ePCT, please refer to these WIPO website pages:

- [Getting Started](#)
- [User Guide](#)
- [FAQ's](#)

Please note that Requests for entry into New Zealand national phase will still be processed through IPONZ's case management facility.

The Journal

26 September 2014

The September edition of the Journal is now available.

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- [General Information.](#)
 - [Patent, Trade Mark and Design applications and registrations.](#)
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Patent Examination Manual Update

Guidance on the micro-organism deposit requirements in accordance with Section 43 of the Patents Act 2013 is now available.

- [Read the practice notice for the deposit of micro-organisms](#)
- [Read section 43 of the Patent examination manual](#)

Decisions of the Commissioner

18 September 2014

Decisions of the Commissioner issued in August are now available online. Select the links to see the decisions.

Trade marks

Number	Mark	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
706593 , 753477 and 766499	GORILLA	Harkness & Young Limited	Hartman Pacific Pty Limited	2014/35	8/08/2014	Classes 6, 20 and 25 Application for Rectification
849894 , 746341 , 747064 , 747072 , 747081 and 747083	SCYON AXENT, SCYON and SCYON (device marks)	James Hardie Technology Limited	New Zealand Forest Research Institute Limited	2014/36	8/08/2014	Classes 6, 16, 19 and 35 Opposition and Application for Declarations of Invalidity
839161	PUREL (device marks)	New Zealand New Paradise Limited	GOJO Industries Inc	2014/37	12/08/2014	Class 5 Opposition
974348	ENVIRO 9000	Zero Emission Vehicles Limited	Alexander Dennis Limited	2014/38	18/08/2014	Class 12 Opposition

Patents

Number	Title	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
590588	Method and arrangement for	DeLaval Holdings	Livestock Improvement	2014/16	19/08/2014	Section 21 Opposition

	animal management	AB	Corporation Limited			(Public Interest Decision)
585400	System and process for the treatment of raw materials	BHT Global Holdings Limited	Ignite Energy Resources Limited	2014/17	19/08/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)

Commencement of the Patents Act 2013

12 September 2014

From midnight tonight the Patents Act 2013 will come fully into force. This represents a major update of New Zealand's patent legislation. [The Patents Act 2013](#) introduces:

- The examination of inventions for absolute novelty, inventiveness and utility;
- The opportunity for third party assertions on the novelty or inventiveness of an invention before acceptance;
- The ability for anyone to make a request for re-examination of inventions that have been accepted or granted;
- Publication of applications and specifications at 18 months from the earliest claimed priority; and
- Increased time periods for evidentiary rounds in post-acceptance proceedings.

Filing through the online case management facility

For patent transactions and communications it will be mandatory to communicate with IPONZ using our online case management facility. Communications received outside the case management facility will not be considered valid unless exceptional circumstances exist.

Transition to the Patents Act 2013

Your online applications will receive an official filing date of:

- 12 September 2014 if they are submitted no later than 11.59pm NZDST on 12 September 2014. These applications will be examined under the Patents Act 1953.
- 15 September 2014 if they are submitted on Saturday 13 September 2014 or Sunday 14 September 2014. These applications will be examined under the Patents Act 2013, with the possible exception of divisional applications (please read the [transitional provisions](#) for more information on this.)

Update of patents website content

The patents website content will be updated to coincide with the new patent law. The content will be available in the IPONZ website from midnight tonight. The revised patents content includes information on applying for and maintaining a patent, IPONZ practices and hearings.

If you require further assistance please [contact us](#).

[Subscribe to our email update service](#) to keep up to date with the world of Intellectual Property and our online services.

IPONZ Statistics Dashboard

10 September 2014

We have updated our [facts and figures page](#).

We now also provide data for application volumes in .XLSX and .CSV formats.

The Journal

29 August 2014

The August edition of the Journal is now available.

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Decisions of the Commissioner

28 August 2014

Decisions of the Commissioner issued in July are now available online. Select the links to see the decisions.

Trade marks

Number	Mark	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
968575	SOCIALFACE	Socialface Pty Limited	David Stanley Barton Ginger	2014/31	1/07/2014	Class 35 Opposition
814966 and 814968	MASTERS	Masters Home Improvement Australia Pty Ltd	Bunnings Limited	2014/32	11/07/2014	Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 27, 28, 31, 35, 37, 39, 41 and 43 oppositions
843228 and 843229	Representation only	Sany Group Co. Ltd	Daimler AG	2014/33	16/07/2014	Classes 7 and 12 oppositions
848096	O.QUA	Ceres Enterprises Limited	William Aitken & Company Limited	2014/34	31/07/2014	Classes 29, 30, 31 and 32 opposition

Patents

Number	Title	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
579987	A Coupler	Doherty Engineered Attachments Limited	JB Attachments Limited	2014/12	28/07/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)
598054	Bicycle frame	Specialised Bicycle Components, Inc	Sheppard Industries Limited	2014/13	28/07/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)
587113	Wire heated tube with temperature control system, tube type detection, and active over temperature protection for humidifier for respiratory apparatus	Resmed Limited	Paykel Healthcare Limited	2014/14	31/07/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)
606837	Egg yolk separating device	Hamish Dobbie	Quirky Inc	2014/15	31/07/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)

Designs

Number	Title	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
414220	Triangle Berry Punnet	Best Berries (NZ) Ltd	Phillip Greig and Phil Greig Strawberry Gardens Limited	2014/1	31/07/2014	Application for cancellation

Patent Regulations 2014 gazetted

14 August 2014

The Patents Regulations 2014 have been notified in the New Zealand Gazette.

The Patents Act 2013 comes fully into force on 13 September 2014 and replaces the Patents Act 1953.

- [Read the Patent Regulations 2014](#)
 - [Read the Regulatory Impact Statement from the Cabinet Paper for the Patent Regulations 2014.](#)
 - [Read the Minister's press statement.](#)
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New international trade mark content

11 August 2014

The international trade mark content on the IPONZ website has been revised. The content provides a comprehensive guide to international trade mark filing and processing.

As part of this update we have released a new infographic, showing where New Zealand businesses are protecting their brands using the Madrid system.

- [Go to the IPONZ international trade mark section](#)
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Training sessions for the commencement of Patents Act 2013

30 July 2014

In preparation for the commencement of the Patents Act 2013 on **Saturday 13 September 2014**, IPONZ is running a series of presentations in Wellington, Auckland and Christchurch.

1. **Information Sessions** (for patent attorneys)

IPONZ will be providing information sessions discussing the practice and details of the Patents Act 2013 and Regulations 2014. The focus of the sessions will be the examination process and timeline, re-examination, third party assertions, and proceedings. Please see below for session times and locations.

IPONZ will also be providing presentations in Australia. Advertisement and booking will be through the Institute of Patent and Trade Mark Attorneys of Australia (IPTA).

2. **Webinar**

For those who are unable to attend the Patents Act 2013 information sessions IPONZ will be hosting a webinar. Please confirm your interest in attending via the online booking form below.

3. **Workshop** (for filing and operational staff)

IPONZ is also running refresher workshops on the IPONZ case management facility. These workshops will cover applying for and maintaining Patents and Trade Marks, general system functionality and minor Patents Act 2013 system updates. The system workshops are more suitable for filing and operational staff. Please find details of the workshops below.

Training schedule

City	Session	Date	Start Time
Wellington	Patents Act 2013	Monday, 25 August 2014	10:00am
James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor 147 The Terrace, Wellington, 6011	IPONZ online system refresher	Monday, 25 August 2014	11.30am
Auckland	Patents Act 2013	Tuesday, 26 August 2014	10:00am
Mercure 8 Customs St East, Auckland, 1010	IPONZ online system refresher	Tuesday, 26 August 2014	11.30am
Christchurch	Patents Act 2013	Wednesday, 27 August 2014	10:00am
The George 50 Park Terrace, Christchurch Central, Christchurch, 8013	IPONZ online system refresher	Wednesday, 27 August 2014	11.30am
Webinar	Patents Act 2013	Monday, 25 August 2014	2.00pm

What next?

If you haven't already, we strongly recommend that you [sign up for our email updates](#) to stay informed of changes to IPONZ practices and updates to our new case management system.

The Journal

25 July 2014

The July edition of the Journal is now available.

To view the sections of the Journal select the links below:

- [General Information](#)
- [Patent, Trade Mark and Design applications and registrations](#)

PVR - Enhancement to IPONZ's Online Case Management Facility

24 July 2014

In response to user feedback we have added letters to accompany several current PVR notifications.

On the IPONZ online case management facility, the following discussions will now include a letter confirming what has happened and if an action is required.

- Test fee requested (this discussion is also accompanied by a task to pay the fee)
- Cancellation of PVR confirmed further to non-payment of renewal fee
- Lapse of PVR is confirmed

The letter will be in a digital format attached to the discussion.

Decisions of the Commissioner

22 July 2014

Decisions of the Commissioner issued in June are now available online. Select the links to see the decisions.

Trade marks

Number	Mark	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
838086	SHOP DIRECT GROUP LTD (device)	Shop Direct Group Limited	Home Direct Limited	2014/24	3/06/2014	Class 35 Application for Declaration of Invalidity
964552	WHISKY STONES	Tero Design Holdings, LLC	Dunedin Stainless Steel Company Limited, Donaldson Enterprises Pty Limited	2014/25	5/06/2014	Class 21 Opposition
837027	CROCODILE (device)	Lacoste	Crocodile International Pte Ltd	2014/26	23/06/2014	Class 25 Opposition
648953	ZIPLOC	International Consolidated Business Pty Limited	S.C. Johnson & Son, Inc	2014/27	26/06/2014	Class 16 Revocation for non-use

962353	FEXACLEAR	AFT Pharmaceuticals Limited	Arrow Pharmaceuticals (NZ) Limited	2014/28	27/06/2014	Class 5 Opposition
960567	MICROGUARD	Ecolab USA Inc.	Johnson & Johnson	2014/29	27/06/2014	Classes 3 and 5 Opposition
839153	REPRESENTATION ONLY	Guru Denim Inc.	Omega SA (Omega AG) (Omega Ltd)	2014/30	27/06/2014	Classes 3, 9, 14, 18, and 25 Partial opposition

Patents

Number	Title	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
572534	ROTARY PLATFORMS	Rotary Platforms NZ Limited	Delaval Limited	2014/9	10/06/2014	Section 21 Opposition
596858	METHOD OF AND SYSTEM FOR MANAGING A GROUP OF DAIRY ANIMALS	Lely Patent N.V.	Livestock Improvement Corporation Limited	2014/10	10/06/2014	Section 21 Opposition (Public Interest Decision)

INTA/IPONZ Roundtable events

21 July 2014



INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICE

INTA Asia Roundtables Project Team 2014/5 in conjunction with the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand

Trade Mark Examination and Hearings Practice Tips

Auckland

Tuesday 29 July 2014
12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Simpson Grierson
Lumley Centre, Level 27
88 Shortland St
Auckland 1020

Auckland host and discussion leader: Earl Gray, Simpson Grierson

Wellington

Wednesday 30 July 2014
12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

AJ Park
Level 22, State Insurance Tower
1 Willis Street
Wellington 6011

Wellington host and discussion leader: Damian Broadley, AJ Park

Recent IPONZ cases, examination practice and implementation of Madrid have revealed many issues for New Zealand practitioners to bear in mind. In these joint INTA/IPONZ Roundtables, those attending will have the benefit of discussion with Simon Gallagher, Trade Marks Manager and Steffen Gazley, Principal Trade Mark Examiner at IPONZ, to shed light on a range of topics, including:

- Quick overview of TMs and IPONZ objectives including brief economic analysis of trade marks
- Examination – approach to s 25, what to look out for when filing evidence, quick tips on filing international applications on behalf of NZ business, the role of internet usage, what the Maori Advisory Committee are finding
- Hearings – some key areas to think about
- Extensions of time
- Sandwich marks, and special circumstances justifying registration after Anchor

Join your colleagues for valuable insights and a lively exchange.

Admittance to the Roundtables (which include a light lunch) is free.

Please confirm registration by Thursday 24 July 2014 by email to: annabel.johnson@simpsongrierson.com, specifying the whether you will attend the Auckland or Wellington roundtable.

Please direct any questions to: annabel.johnson@simpsongrierson.com

We're moving!

17 July 2014

The Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand is moving to the new Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment building.

From **11 August 2014** the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand will be situated at:

15 Stout Street
Wellington 6011
New Zealand

There will be no interruption or change to our current services.

Please continue to use the IPONZ online case management facility to file your applications and correspond with IPONZ on your cases. IPONZ online services are available on our website www.iponz.govt.nz.

If you have any questions please contact us on 0508 4 IPONZ (0508 447 669) or see the [contact us](#) section of our website.

Online Services unavailable Friday 11 July from 7.00pm

10 July 2014

Due to urgent system maintenance online services on all MBIE websites will be unavailable Friday 11 July from 7:00pm NZST until Saturday 12 July 2014 5:00am NZST.

During this time clients will not be able to access any of our online services.

The affected websites include:

- BusinessData
- Companies Office
- Financial Service Providers Register (FSPR)
- G2B
- Insolvency and Trustee Service
- Intellectual Property Office
- Motor Vehicle Traders Register
- New Zealand Petroleum and Minerals
- Personal Property Securities Register (PPSR)
- Radio Spectrum Management, and
- Societies and Trusts.

All online services will be available again from 5:00am NZST Saturday 12 July 2014.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Cabinet Paper Release - Patent Regulations 2014

2 July 2014

The Cabinet paper for the drafting of the Patent Regulations 2014 is now available to view.

It is anticipated that the patent regulations 2014 will be published in early to mid August.

- [Read the Cabinet Paper \[3 MB PDF\]](#)
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The Plant Variety Rights Journal

1 July 2014

The latest quarterly edition of the Journal is now available.

Choose from the links below to view the sections of the Journal.

- [General information \[119 KB PDF\]](#)
- [Plant variety right applications and registrations](#)

Last updated 25 July 2014

The Journal

27 June 2014

The June edition of the Journal is now available.

To view the sections of the journal select the links below:

- [General Information](#)
 - [Patent, Trade Mark and Design applications and registrations](#)
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Enhancements to IPONZ's Case Management Facility

26 June 2014

Enhancements to IPONZ's case management facility, effective today, are as follows:

New combined patent search field

The patent search function of the IPONZ online facility has been enhanced to allow you to search across the **Title**, **Office Title** and **Abstract** in one search field.

To search for multiple keywords, use combinations of AND, OR and NOT. Brackets and the wildcard asterisk symbol can be used to construct more complex searches e.g. (paint* OR pigment) NOT (zinc OR lead).

- [Read more about requesting a patent amendment on our online case management facility.](#)

The practice guideline relating to amendment and correction of error requests have been updated.

- [Read PG 6. Respond to Amendment/Correction Issue](#)
- [Read PG 7. Amendment/Correction of Error](#)
- [View the historic practice guidelines](#)

If you require further assistance please [contact us](#).

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Appointment of new Assistant Commissioner

25 June 2014

IPONZ is pleased to announce the appointment of its new Assistant Commissioner, Natasha Alley.

Ms Alley is an experienced commercial litigator, having practised at two of New Zealand's leading law firms. Most recently Ms Alley specialised in intellectual property litigation and media law at Simpson Grierson. She has acted for multinational companies and individuals on a wide range of intellectual property disputes. Ms Alley served a three year term on the Council of Legal Education and is a graduate of the Future Auckland Leaders programme. She is a member of the Intellectual Property Society of Australia and New Zealand.

A Guide to Applying for a Trade Mark

24 June 2014

Registering a Trade Mark is the best way to protect your company brand and reputation.

IPONZ has put together a guide that will help make the application process easy to follow and understand.

Click on the image below to view 'A Guide to Applying for a Trade Mark'



INTERPOL warning on fake goods and links to organised crime

18 June 2014

The global police organisation INTERPOL is urging New Zealanders to consider the consequences of buying counterfeit and pirated goods.

INTERPOL's "Turn Back Crime" campaign, which is supported by New Zealand Police, is highlighting the dangers of organised and other forms of crime and their impact on everyday life.

[Read the New Zealand Police news release.](#)

Decisions of the Commissioner

06 June 2014

Decisions of the Commissioner issued in May are now available online. Select the links to see the decisions.

Trade marks

Number	Mark	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
192041 , 192207 , 192691 , 206883 and 206884	RED NOSE DAY (device), THE RED NOSE DAY, NOSE DAY, NOSE	Cure Kids	National SIDS Council of Australia Limited	2014/22	13/05/2014	Classes 28, 36, and 41 Application for revocation for non-use and grounds other than non-use
846499	RESCUE 1	Auckland Regional Rescue Helicopter Trust	Great Southern Television Limited	2014/23	14/05/2014	Classes 9, 39, 41 and 44 Application for Declaration of Invalidity

Patents

Number	Title	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
577970	Fluid delivery device	Farm Improvements Limited	Delaval Limited	2014/8	9/05/2014	Section 21 Opposition

The Journal

30 May 2014

The April edition of the Journal is now available.

To view the sections of the journal select the links below:

- [General Information](#)
- [Patent, Trade Mark and Design applications and registrations](#)

Publication of Commissioner's Discretion in the IPONZ Journal

A new section has been included in the Patents and Designs Online Journal title "Notifiable Commissioner's Discretion".

This section will contain advertisements for Patents / Design applications and Patents / Design registrations that do not fall into any other category in the Journal.

Decisions of the Commissioner

21 May 2014

Decisions of the Commissioner issued in April are now available online. Select the links to see the decisions.

Trade marks

Number	Mark	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
847710 and 958673	YAKKA TOOLS	J.T.C. Import/Export Pty Ltd	Pacific Brands Holdings (New Zealand) Limited	2014/15	14/04/2014	Classes 6, 8, 16, and 22 Opposition
793351	SCRAPMAN (device)	Metalman New Zealand Limited	Scrapman BOP Limited	2014/17	3/04/2014	Class 40 Applications for declaration of invalidity and revocation for non-use
850544	TIGER5 (device)	Glenn Elliott	Heineken Asia Pacific Pte. Ltd	2014/18	10/04/2014	Class 33 Opposition
964919	CLIMATEPRO (series)	Safe-R Insulation (NZ) Limited	Johns Manville Corporation	2014/20	29/04/2014	Class 17 Application for declaration of invalidity
758053, 758054, 797460, 800712, 800711	ANCHOR and ANCHOR (devices)	Anchor Foods Pty Limited	New Zealand Milk Brands Limited	2014/21	29/04/2014	Interlocutory on application to file evidence out of time under r34

Patents

Number	Title	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
567793	Food waste disposal unit	Johnson Electric S.A.	Emerson Electric Co	2014/7	4/04/2014	Section 21 Opposition

Update to Trade Mark Practice Guidelines

8 May 2014

IPONZ has updated the Trade Mark practice guidelines for 'Relative grounds - Representations of the Royal Family' and 'Words that suggest royal or government patronage'. The updates to the practice guidelines have been made to reflect the information required for ROYAL marks by the Ministry for Culture and Heritage.

Read the updated section of the guidelines:

- [Practice guideline 09 Relative grounds - Representations of the Royal Family](#)
- [Practice guideline 3.1.5.3 - Absolute grounds - General - Words that suggest royal or government patronage](#)

View the [superseded practice guideline section](#).

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Enhancements to IPONZ's Case Management Facility

8 May 2014

Enhancements to IPONZ's case management facility effective today are as follows:

New functionality

An enlarged view of an image can now be accessed by hovering your mouse pointer over the thumbnail representation.

This function has been introduced to the following screens:

1. Case search results
2. Case browsing – bibliographic data
3. Application screen (TM/NZOO/DS)
4. Case browsing – history
5. Case browsing – document list

Example of functionality below:



New search field for patents

The patent search function of the IPONZ online facility has been enhanced to allow searching of the 'Office Title'. The Office Title is a field entered by a patent examiner during examination and usually provides more detail than is provided by the title of the application or specification.

New dedicated task for responding to patent and design restoration requests

Replying to a design or patent restoration objection will now be by a task with a due date.

This change applies to:

- Abandoned patent and design applications
- Lapsed patent and design applications

If no evidence is provided, or evidence that is deficient is supplied, the applicant will receive a task to respond to. Through this task the applicant may supply the required evidence documents.

If the task is not responded to by the due date, the request for restoration will be refused.

- [Read more about requesting a patent restoration on our online case management facility.](#)
- [Read more about requesting a design restoration on our online case management facility.](#)

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NZIPA – World IP Day Seminar**30 April 2014**

The New Zealand Institute of Patent Attorneys Inc. (NZIPA) would like to invite you to a free public seminar to mark World IP Day. The World Intellectual Property Organization 2014 World IP Day theme is: *Movies- A Global Passion*. To celebrate, come along to this NZIPA seminar held in association with the Leading Edge programme at the National Library.

Speakers: Michael Stephens, leading New Zealand film and entertainment lawyer & executive producer. Michael will share his stories about the New Zealand film and screen industry and IP issues encountered along the way.

Conan McKegg, a screenwriter involved with the Emerging Artists Trust. Conan is currently working on his first feature length film and will talk about the writer's journey.

Date: 14 May 2014

Time: 5:30pm - 7:00pm

Venue: National Library of New Zealand
Corner of Molesworth & Aitken Streets
Wellington
(Entrance off Molesworth Street)

There is no charge to attend and RSVPs are essential

Please RSVP to Keith.Thorsen@dia.govt.nz by 9 May 2014.

Decisions of the Commissioner**30 April 2014**

Decisions of the Commissioner issued in March are now available online. Select the links to see the decisions.

Trade marks

Number	Mark	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
959601	MOAI	Ministry of Architecture + Interiors Limited	MOAA Architects Limited	2014/12	13/03/2014	Class 42 Opposition
741487	SEDUCE	Gary Gwyn	Seduce Group	2014/13	12/03/2014	Class 25 Application for

Chettleburgh

Australia Pty Ltd

declaration of invalidity

839517	ENERGIE	Avanti Bicycle Company Limited	Arabella Pte. Limited	2014/14	21/03/2014	Classes 9 and 12 Opposition
839800	DIAMOND VALUE PARTS	Daimler AG		2014/16	28/03/2014	Classes 9, 11, 12 and 16 proposal to reject under section 43

The Journal

30 April 2014

The April edition of the Journal is now available.

To view the sections of the journal select the links below:

- [General Information](#)
- [Patent, Trade Mark and Design applications and registrations](#)

Patents Act 2013 – Transitional Provisions - moving to the new law

17 April 2014

Information on some of the Patents Act 2013 transitional provisions is now available for you to view. Moving from the old law will affect both new applications and some applications filed or patents granted under the 1953 Act. The transitional provisions clarify which law applies to your applications or granted patents.

This article covers the following provisions:

- Application filing dates
- Divisional applications
- Maintenance and Renewal fees

[Read more about the transitional provisions](#)

[Read Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ's\) on the transitional provisions](#)

IPONZ closed for ANZAC Day - Friday 25 April 2014

16 April 2014

IPONZ's office will be closed for business on ANZAC Day Friday 25 April 2014.

Our website will remain available throughout this period.

Please note the following important considerations:

- If the deadline for filing an application or document falls on 25 April 2014, then the application or document will be filed on time if filed by 28 April 2014.
- As a general rule, if a patent or design application is submitted online on an official closed day, such as on a weekend, the details of the invention or design should not be publicly disclosed until after the official filing date, which will be later than the date of online submission. If an invention or design is disclosed before the official filing date, then the patent or design may be invalid if granted or registered.
- For trade marks it is now mandatory to communicate with IPONZ using our online case management facility. Communications received outside the case management facility will not be considered valid unless exceptional circumstances exist.

Online applications will:

- Receive a filing date of 24 April 2014 if they are submitted no later than 11.59pm NZST on 24 April 2014.
 - Receive an official filing date of 28 April 2014 if they are submitted on 25, 26 or 27 April 2014.
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The Plant Variety Rights Journal

1 April 2014

The latest quarterly edition of the Journal is now available.

Choose from the links below to view the sections of the Journal.

- [General information](#)
 - [Plant variety right applications and registrations](#)
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The Journal

28 March 2014

The March edition of the Journal is now available.

To view the sections of the journal select the links below:

- [General Information](#)
 - [Patent, Trade Mark and Design applications and registrations](#)
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Patent attorney exams 2014 - Dates and deadlines

17 March 2014

Applications to sit the patent attorney exams are due on Friday 11 April 2014.

New Zealand Patent Attorney Examinations will be held on Tuesday 1 July to Thursday 3 July 2014.

Read more

- [information about the exams;](#)
 - [patent attorney examination syllabus for 2014.](#)
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Decisions of the Commissioner

14 March 2014

Decisions of the Commissioner issued in February are now available online. Select the links to see the decisions.

Trade marks

Number	Mark	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
842766	INSPIRE EQUIP ENABLE	Anaconda Group Pty Ltd	Strandbags Group Pty Limited	2014/7	03/02/2014	Classes 12, 18, 20, 22, 25, 28, and 35 Opposition
789794 and 820991	REPRESENTATIONS OF WOOL BALES	New Zealand Wool Services International Limited		2014/8	05/02/2014	Class 22 Notice of intention to reject
964809	THE COOK	Cook Brothers International Limited	Orari Street Properties Investments Limited	2014/9	17/02/2014	Class 43 Opposition
853573	E ENERGETICS	IIC-Intersport International Corporation GmbH	Arabella Pte. Ltd	2014/10	20/02/2014	Classes 25 and 28 Opposition
70068	CROCODILE	Lacoste	Crocodile International Pte Ltd	2014/11	19/02/2014	Class 25 Revocation on grounds of non- use

Patents

Number	Title	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
582600	Electric fence energizer	Lacme Holding	Gallagher Group Limited	2014/3	12/02/2014	Section 21 Opposition
529264	Population of dairy cows producing	Therapeutic	Fonterra Co-	2014/4	12/02/2014	Section 21

milk with desirable characteristics and methods of making and using same

Foods Limited

operative
Group Limited

Opposition

595229	Intra-mammary teat sealant formulation and method of using same to reduce or eliminate visual defects in aged cheeses	Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation	Bayer New Zealand Limited	2014/5	14/02/2014	Section 21 Opposition
606198	Egg yolk separation apparatus and methods	Quirky, Inc	Hamish Dobbie	2014/6	14/02/2014	Section 21 Opposition

Online Services unavailable Friday 14 March from 9.00pm

10 March 2014

Due to essential enhancements to our IT infrastructure IPONZ online services will be unavailable from 9:00pm Friday 14 March 2014 to 11:00pm Sunday 16 March 2014 NZDT.

If you require further assistance please [contact us](#).

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Patents Act 2013 – Public submissions now available to view

28 February 2014

IPONZ sought feedback on proposed regulations for the Patents Act 2013 between 11 December 2013 and 24 January 2014.

[All submissions are now available on the Patents Act 2013 page](#).

The Journal

28 February 2014

The February edition of the Journal is now available.

To view the sections of the journal select the links below:

- [General Information](#)
 - [Patent, Trade Mark and Design applications and registrations](#)
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Decisions of the Commissioner

25 February 2014

Decisions of the Commissioner issued in January are now available online. Select the links to see the decisions.

Trade marks

Number	Mark	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
815085	SOUTH ISLAND	New Zealand Winegrowers	Pinnacle Liquor Group Pty Limited	2014/1	15/01/2014	Class 33 Opposition
812834 and 814109	CROCODILE	Crocodile International Pte Ltd	Lacoste	2014/2	16/01/2014	Classes 18, 25 and 3, 9, 14, 24 Opposition
816267	TIMBERLINE	Styx Mill Clothing Company Limited	The Timberland Company	2014/3	27/01/2014	Classes 22, 24, 25, 35, 45 Opposition
842312	KIWILICIOUS CAKES	Bluebird Foods	Kiwilicious Cake Company Limited	2014/4	29/01/2014	Class 30 Application for declaration of invalidity
844955	REPRESENTATION OF JEANS STITCHING	NYDJ Apparel LLC.		2014/5	31/01/2014	Class 25 Notice of intention to reject
835484	QSC QUAKESAFE CHIMNEYS	Quakeproof Chimneys NZ Limited	New Dawn International Ltd	2014/6	31/01/2014	Classes 19 and 37 Application for declaration of invalidity

Patents

Number	Title	First Party	Second Party	Document Title	Date of Decision	Subject
573537	Locking mechanism	Assa Abloy New Zealand Limited	Ingersoll-Rand Architectural Hardware Limited	2014/1	27/01/2014	Section 21 Opposition
576639	Crystalline modification of fipronil	Zelam Limited	BASF AG	2014/2	27/01/2014	Section 21 Opposition

Enhancements to IPONZ's Case Management Facility

13 February 2014

Enhancements to IPONZ's case management facility effective today are as follows:

New Search fields

New search fields have been introduced to the following search screens:

1. Trade Mark Searching

Maori Mark

Maori Trade Mark

Yes No Undefined

Series Mark

Series Trade Mark

Yes No Undefined

Trade Mark Publication Date

Publication Date



to



- [Read the guide to online searching of the trade mark register.](#)

2. Patent Searching

National phase entry date

National Phase Entry Date



to



Publication Date

Publication Date



to



- [Read the guide to online searching of the patent register.](#)

3. PVR searching

Genus search

Genus

No selection

No selection

Abelia R.Br.
Abutilon Mill.
Acacia Mill.
Acalypha
Acca Berg.
Acer L.
Actinidia Lindl.
Agapanthus L'Her
Aglaonema Schott.
Agonis
Agrostis L.
Ajuga L.
Allium L.
Alocasia (Schott) G.Don.
Alstroemeria L.
Amaranthus L.
Ananas Mill.
Angelica L.
Anigozanthos Labill.
Annona L.
Anthurium Schott.
Antirrhinum L.
Apodasmia B.G.Briggs & L.A.S.Johnson
Arctotis L.
Argyranthemum Webb ex Schultz Bip.
Aristotelia L'Her.
Armeria (DC.) Willd.
Asparagus L.
Asplenium L.

- [Read the guide to online searching of the PVR register.](#)

Dedicated functionality for requesting patent correction of error

Corrections of error on patent cases can now be submitted through a dedicated function in the same manner as voluntary amendment requests. You can find this option in the renamed **Amendment/Correction** of error section under **Maintain a Patent** in the online case management facility.

Amendment/Correction of Error

Amend or correct a Patent.

[Select case for Amendment/Correction of Error](#)

Within the online form you will be asked to select whether you are requesting a **Voluntary Amendment** or **Correction of Error**. If you choose **Correction of Error** you will need to indicate which section of the act you request applies to.

Type of Amendment

Type of Amendment

Voluntary Amendment Correction of Error

s88(1) correction s88(3) correction

Part of the change includes amendments to the patent journal. The **corrections of error** section will now only contain corrections made through this function. All other changes to patent cases will be shown in the section **case data changes**.

[Read more about requesting a correction of error on the online case management facility.](#)

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IPONZ closed for Waitangi Day – Thursday 6 February 2014

5 February 2014

IPONZ's office will be closed for business on Waitangi Day Thursday 6 February 2014.

Our website www.iponz.govt.nz will remain available throughout this period.

Please note the following important considerations:

- If the deadline for filing an application or document falls on 6 February 2014, then the application or document will be filed on time if filed by 7 February 2014.
- As a general rule, if a patent or design application is submitted online on an official closed day, such as on a weekend, the details of the invention or design should not be publicly disclosed until after the official filing date, which will be later than the date of online submission. If an invention or design is disclosed before the official filing date, then the patent or design may be invalid if granted or registered.
- For trade marks it is now mandatory to communicate with IPONZ using our online case management facility. Communications received outside the case management facility will not be considered valid unless exceptional circumstances exist.

Online applications will:

- Receive a filing date of 5 February 2014 if they are submitted no later than 11.59pm NZDST on 5 February 2014.
- Receive an official filing date of 7 February 2014 if they are submitted on 6 February 2014.

The Journal

31 January 2014

The January edition of the Journal is now available.

To view the sections of the journal select the links below:

- [General Information](#)
- [Patent, Trade Mark and Design applications and registrations](#)

Closed for Wellington Anniversary Day – Monday 20 January 2014

14 January 2014

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If the deadline for filing an application or document falls on 20th January 2014, then the application or document will be filed on time if filed by 21st January 2014.

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