

**ITC Modernization Alliance Statement
on the Confirmation of John Squires as USPTO Director**

WASHINGTON – On September 17, 2025, John A. Squires, nominated on March 11 by President Trump to serve as Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), was confirmed by the U.S. Senate with an en bloc vote on 48 pending Trump nominees by a vote of 51-47. Below is a statement from Sarah Beth Jansen, Executive Director of ITC Modernization Alliance (IMA):

"The ITC Modernization Alliance congratulates John Squires on his confirmation as the next Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. We look forward to working with Director Squires to ensure patent quality and promote American innovation, which are essential to maintaining a fair and balanced U.S. intellectual property system, including at the International Trade Commission."

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The ITC Modernization Alliance (IMA) is a coalition of leaders in the technology, telecom, and automotive industries dedicated to modernizing the International Trade Commission (ITC) and promoting trade practices that safeguard American industry, workforce, and consumers. As some of the world's largest patent holders, and with experience as parties to ITC proceedings, IMA members strongly believe in the core purpose of the ITC and appreciate the opportunity to provide input through the public interest inquiry process.