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Dear Cordelia (Dede) Zecher:

The National Association of Patent Practitioners (NAPP) nominates Richard A. Baker, Jr. for the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) Patent Public Advisory Committee (PPAC).

Rich is a longtime patent practitioner and an active member of NAPP, working to better the patent system and the patent practitioner profession. In addition to serving as Secretary for NAPP's Board of Directors, he is active on the Government Affairs Committee of NAPP, which submitted several letters and responses to the USPTO's requests for comment. Rich has extensive experience obtaining, licensing, enforcing, and selling patents in corporate and private practice.

With this experience comes many years facilitating interactions between the USPTO and its customers (both large and small entities). Rich is himself an inventor on many of those patents. Rich's private practice is ongoing, but more importantly, he regularly interacts with other patent practitioners, both experienced and newly-registered, via NAPP. Rich is well qualified to speak about their experiences with the USPTO systems and personnel.

Rich is thoughtful and articulate and embodies the spirit of service to his community. I cannot think of a better candidate to advise the USPTO regarding their performance and plans for the future.

Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

*Christopher M. Turoski*

Christopher M. Turoski, NAPP President

cc: Richard A. Baker, Jr.