

# IP Courts & Entities At-a-Glance Updates (COVID-19)

As we covered in a [recent blog post](#), our court system is grappling with how to handle trials, hearings, and in-person meetings during this current season of social distancing and closures of many private and public sector buildings. To keep our clients updated on this fluid situation, we have compiled a list of relevant IP court and entity links which include recent decisions and updates.



## Patent & Trademark Prosecution

**United States Patent & Trademark Office** (currently closed aside from essential USPTO personnel)

**European Patent Office** (events/proceedings postponed; staff working remotely)

**World Intellectual Property Organization** (currently closed aside from essential WIPO personnel)



## Patent Litigation

**United States Supreme Court** (currently closed aside from essential court personnel)

**Federal Circuit** (open with restricted access; existing deadlines remain in effect)

**International Trade Commission** (currently closed aside from essential ITC personnel)



## U.S. District Courts (East Coast)

**Delaware District Court** (open with restricted access; existing deadlines remain in effect)

**Southern District of New York** (open with restricted access; existing deadlines remain in effect)



## U.S. District Courts (West Coast)

**Northern District of California** (currently closed aside from essential court personnel)

**Central District of California** (currently closed aside from essential court personnel)

**Southern District of California** (currently closed aside from essential court personnel)



## U.S. District Courts (Texas)

**Eastern District of Texas** (open with restricted access; existing deadlines remain in effect)

**Western District of Texas** (courts closed with some exceptions; existing deadlines remain in effect)

**Southern District of Texas** (open with restricted access; existing deadlines remain in effect)



## Post-Grant Proceedings

**Patent & Trial Appeal Board** (currently closed aside from essential PTAB personnel)

**Trademark Trial and Appeal Board** (currently closed aside from essential TTAB personnel)