

Instruction Sheet for Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

1. If this form is signed by a registered practitioner not of record, the authority to submit the Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form is pursuant to limited authority to act in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34 and further proof of authority to act in a representative capacity may be required.
See 37 CFR 1.34.

The Office will accept the signed form as an indication that the registered practitioner not of record is authorized to conduct an interview on behalf of the principal in pursuant to 37 CFR 1.34.

For more information, see the “Conducting an Interview with a Registered Practitioner Acting in a Representative Capacity” notice which is available on the USPTO Web site at: <http://www.uspto.gov/patents/law/notices/2010.jsp>.

2. This is not a power of attorney to any named practitioner. Accordingly, any registered practitioner not of record named on the form does not have authority to sign a request to change the correspondence address, a request for express abandonment, a disclaimer, a power of attorney, or other document requiring the signature of the applicant, assignee of the entire interest or an attorney of record. If appropriate, a separate power of attorney to the named practitioner should be executed and filed in the US Patent and Trademark Office.
3. Any interview concerning an unpublished application under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) with a registered practitioner not of record, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.34, will be conducted based on the information and files supplied by the practitioner in view of the confidentiality requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 122(a).