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In 2019, the Trademark Office promulgated a final rule that requires disclosure of attorney bar information. Unfortunately, it didn't update its forms and information technology to make this easy. So, you have to input the same information: year of admission, State and bar number with everysinglefiling.

What galls me is that this requirement was ostensibly initiated to prevent Chinese folks from filing fraudulent applications. Sounds prudent, right? The problem is that the Trademark Office does nothing to verify the data -- which would be an impossible task for the thousands of practitioners who file with the Office every day. Moreover, since it is not verified, why would they expect that the Chinese folks wouldn't just make it up? It seems to me that collecting this information is totally unnecessary and has no relationship to actually preventing the problem identified by the Office.