## **Proposed USPTO Fee Changes Will Make It** <u>Much More Expensive to Patent and to</u> <u>Challenge Patents on Therapeutics. You Have</u> <u>an Opportunity to Comment...</u>



The United States Patent & Trademark Office (USPTO or PTO) recently announced **proposed changes** to certain fees it charges with respect to patent applications, design patents, and America Invents Act (AIA) trials. These changes may significantly increase costs associated with building a robust patent portfolio for New Chemical Entities (NCEs) and Biologics, and to challenge patents at the PTAB. An oral hearing on the proposed changes will be held on **May 18, 2023**, and the USPTO is accepting written comments until **May 25, 2023**.

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