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## Patent case: Swartz v. Iancu, ISA

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The federal district court in Alexandria, Virginia, properly dismissed an inventor's appeal of the Patent Trial and Appeal Board's decisions rejecting six patent applications on the grounds of lack of utility and collateral estoppel, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit has held. The applications were directed to unproven cold fusion technology. One application was not ripe for review by the district court because the Patent Trial and Appeal Board had not issued a final decision. Two applications were continuations of prior applications, and the challenged claims were identical to those rejected in prior applications (Swartz v. Iancu, July 17, 2018, per curiam).

Case date: 17 July 2018

Case number: No. 2018-1122

Court: United States Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit

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