



genuine issue of material fact that the imposition of discipline identical to that imposed by the Supreme Court of New York, Appellate Division, Second Department would be unwarranted based upon any of the grounds permissible under 37 C.F.R. § 11.24(d)(1).

Respondent has not filed a response to the Notice and Order. 37 C.F.R. § 11.24(d)(1). Accordingly, it is hereby determined that: 1) there is no genuine issue of material fact under 37 C.F.R. § 11.24(d) and 2) a public reprimand of Respondent is appropriate.

ACCORDINGLY, it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

- (a) Respondent is publicly reprimanded;
- (b) the OED Director shall publish this Final Order;
- (c) the OED Director shall publish the following notice in the *Official Gazette*:

NOTICE OF REPRIMAND

Lawrence Ira Wechsler of Great Neck, New York, a registered patent attorney (Registration Number 36,049). Mr. Wechsler has been publicly reprimanded by the United States Patent and Trademark Office for violating 37 C.F.R. § 10.23(b)(6) by having been publicly reprimanded on ethical grounds by a duly constituted authority of a State. The New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division, Second Department, publicly censured Mr. Wechsler for being convicted of a serious crime and for engaging in conduct that reflects adversely on his fitness to practice. *In the Matter of Lawrence Ira Wechsler*, 66 A.D.3d 277, 886N.Y.S.2d 35 (2009). The criminal conviction was based on a plea of guilty to two counts of failing to file a New York State tax return in violation of New York State Tax Law § 1801(a), an unclassified misdemeanor, in the matter of *People v. Lawrence Wechsler*, Docket No. 07-178854. Mr. Wechsler admitted that he failed to file a tax return with New York for the tax years 2003 and 2004. This action is taken pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §§ 2(b)(2)(D) and 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.24 and 11.59. Disciplinary decisions involving practitioners are posted for public reading at the Office of Enrollment and Discipline's Reading Room located at: <http://des.uspto.gov/Foia/OEDReadingRoom.jsp>.

(d) the OED Director, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 11.59, shall give notice of the public discipline and the reasons for the discipline to disciplinary enforcement agencies in the State where the practitioner is admitted to practice, to courts where the practitioner is known to be admitted, and the public.

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Date



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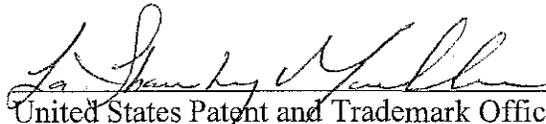
**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that the foregoing Final Order Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.24 was mailed by first class certified mail, return receipt requested, this day to the Respondent at the following address:

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