

peals from **[the Board of Patent Interferences]** *the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences.*

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§ 2457. Property rights in inventions

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(d) Issuance of [patent] Patent Appeals and to applicant; request by Administrator; notice; hearing; determination; review

Upon any application as to which any such statement has been transmitted to the Administrator, the Commissioner may, if the invention is patentable, issue a patent to the applicant unless the Administrator, within ninety days after receipt of such application and statement, requests that such patent be issued to him on behalf of the United States. If, within such time, the Administrator files such a request with the Commissioner, the Commissioner shall transmit notice thereof to the applicant, and shall issue such a patent to the Administrator unless the applicant within thirty days after receipt of such notice requests a hearing before **[a Board of Patent Interferences]** *the Board of Patent Appeal and Interferences* on the question of whether the Administrator is entitled under this section to receive such patent. The Board may hear and determine, in accordance with rules and procedures established for interference cases, the question so presented, and its determination shall be subject to appeal by the applicant or by the Administrator to the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in accordance with procedures governing appeals from decisions of **[the Board of Patent Interferences]** *the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences* in other proceedings.

(e) False representations; request for transfer of title to patent; notice; hearing determination; review

Whenever any patent has been issued to any applicant in conformity with subsection (d) of this section, and the Administrator thereafter has reason to believe that the statement filed by the applicant in connection therewith contained any false representation of any material fact, the Administrator within five years after the date of issuance of such patent may file with the Commissioner a request for the transfer to the Administrator of title to such patent on the records of the Commissioner. Notice of any such request shall be transmitted by the Commissioner to the owner of record of such patent, and title to such patent shall be so transferred to the Administrator unless within thirty days after receipt of such notice such owner of record requests a hearing before **[a Board of Patent Interferences]** *the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences* on the question whether any such false representation was contained in such statement. . . .

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