

Post-Prosecution Conference Pilot (P3) Survey Questions for External Stakeholders

Below are questions concerning the Post-Prosecution Conference Pilot (P3). The Post-prosecution Pilot was started on **June 27, 2016. Your responses will help the P3 pilot team to determine the effectiveness of the pilot. Thank you for your time.**

**Questions about the survey should be directed to the Post-prosecution Pilot mailbox
(XXXX@USPTO.GOV)**

1. Approximately how many Post-prosecution Pilot requests have you submitted?

1-2 | 3-5 | More than 5 | None (please skip to question 10)

2. Of the Post-prosecution Pilot requests you have submitted, approximately how many resulted in a conference between yourself and USPTO officials?

All | Most (>50%) | Some (<50%) | None

3. How effective do you feel the PC pilot is in advancing prosecution?

Very effective | Somewhat effective | Neutral | Negatively affects

4. The USPTO currently has three programs designed to encourage compact prosecution after a final rejection: After Final Consideration Pilot 2.0 (AFCP 2.0), Pre-appeal Conference and the Post-Prosecution Conference Pilot. In your experience, which of the three programs do you find is most likely to advance prosecution?

AFCP 2.0 | Pre-appeal conference | Post-Post-prosecution Pilot

5. In your experience, does the P3 pilot reduce the likelihood that an RCE will be filed in the application?

Yes | No

6. In your experience, does the P3 pilot reduce the likelihood of appeal?

Yes | No

7. What aspect of the P3 pilot is most beneficial to you and your clients?

Conference with examiner and two additional primary examiners | Submission of proposed claim amendments| Other

8. Are there any aspects of the PC pilot that you think could be improved?

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9. Any additional comments about the PC pilot?

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