

Claim Amendment Paper

Patent application, amendment to the claims | Marked-up specimen

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An amendment paper corrected against the numbering and notation rules, without touching a word of claim scope.

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EXTRACT FROM THE FIRM'S PROSECUTION RECORD (reproduced unchanged in both panels)

PR-1 Claims 1 to 6 were filed originally and none of them has been amended. Claim 7 was added in the first amendment and was entered.

PR-2 Claim 3 was canceled in the first amendment. Claim 5 was withdrawn following a restriction requirement, and its text is not in the papers supplied to the editor.

PR-3 In this amendment: claim 1 is being amended; claims 2 and 6 are unchanged; claim 4 is being canceled; one new claim is added.

PR-4 The change to claim 1 is the substitution of the word "seat" for the word "ring" in the second element.

PR-5 The firm files amendments with the claims in ascending numerical order.

PR-6 In text-only working copies the firm shows underlining by enclosing the added text in underscores.

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1. (amended)¹ A coupling assembly comprising a body, an annular seat, and a retainer.²

2. (as filed)³ The assembly of claim 1, wherein the retainer is threaded.

4. (deleted)⁴

6. (as filed)⁷ The assembly of claim 1, wherein the body is brass.

7. (pending)⁸ The assembly of claim 2, wherein the retainer is polymeric.

8. (new)⁹ The assembly of claim 1, wherein the retainer is captive.

WHAT CHANGED, AND WHY

#	Was	Now	Reason
1	1. (amended)	1. (Currently amended)	Amended is not on the list in 37 CFR 1.121(c). The identifier for a claim being changed in this paper is Currently amended, and the identifiers are capitalized as the rule prints them.

#	Was	Now	Reason
2	A coupling assembly comprising a body, an annular seat, and a retainer.	A coupling assembly comprising a body, an annular <u>[[ring]] _seat_</u> , and a retainer.	PR-4 records that seat replaces ring in this amendment, and the clean text did not show the change the paper is filed to show. Ring is four characters, so 37 CFR 1.121(c) allows double brackets for the deletion, and PR-6 gives the underscores as this firm's way of showing the underlining the rule asks for.
3	2. (as filed)	2. (Original)	As filed is not an identifier the rule recognizes. PR-1 records claims 1 to 6 as filed originally with none of them amended, which is what Original means.
4	4. (deleted)	4. (Canceled)	Deleted is not on the list. PR-3 records claim 4 as being canceled in this amendment.
5	(claim 3 absent from the listing)	3. (Canceled)	PR-2 records claim 3 as canceled earlier. An amendment lists every claim ever presented, and under 37 CFR 1.126 the numbering is preserved, so the number stays with its status rather than closing up.
6	(claim 5 absent from the listing)	5. (Withdrawn) [Query to the attorney: PR-2 records claim 5 as withdrawn and its text as not supplied to us. Please insert the claim as previously presented. We have not drafted a placeholder.]	PR-2 records claim 5 as withdrawn and records that its text was not supplied to us. Withdrawn is an identifier on the list, and 37 CFR 1.121(c) has all claims in a listing presented in ascending numerical order. The text is the attorney's to insert, so the line carries a query and no draft.
7	6. (as filed)	6. (Original)	Same identifier fault as claim 2, and the same entry at PR-1 settles it.
8	7. (pending)	7. (Previously presented)	Pending is not on the list. PR-1 records claim 7 as added in the first amendment and entered, which is Previously presented in this paper.
9	8. (new)	8. (New)	The identifier is on the list. The rule prints it capitalized, and this listing follows that.