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Fenn Mathew currently serves as a Deputy Director in the Office of Petitions at the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). In this role, he oversees petitions examination practice and policy, and supervises a staff of petitions examiners, attorney advisors, and paralegals.

Mr. Mathew joined the USPTO as a patent examiner in 2001, examining applications drawn to kinesitherapy devices, orthopedic braces, and exercise devices. Mr. Mathew was selected as a Supervisory Patent Examiner Trainer in the Office of Patent Training, and was responsible for training newly hired patent examiners assigned to mechanical engineering and chemical engineering technologies. Mr. Mathew was then selected as a Supervisory Patent Examiner in Technology Center 3700, overseeing an art unit of examiners who examined applications in the field of receptacles and other related manufacturing products. Mr. Mathew has received three Department of Commerce Bronze Medal Awards for superior federal service.

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