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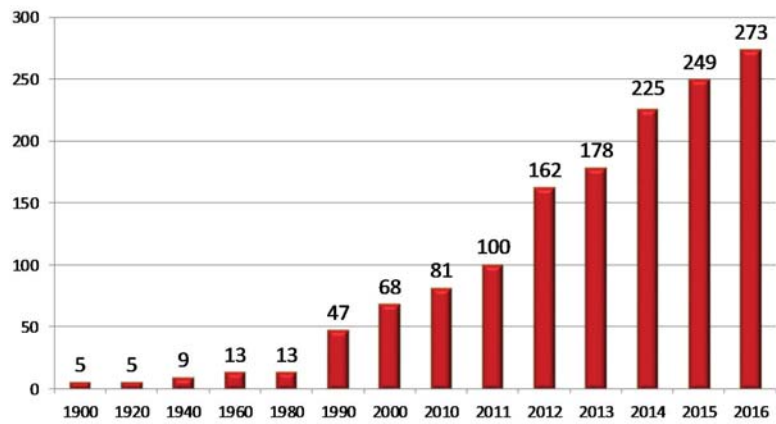
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former Chief Administrative Patent Judge

Scott E. Kamholz, M.D., Ph.D. (Foley Hoag)  
former Administrative Patent Judge

**Moderator:** Amber L. Hagy (Texas Regional PTO)  
Administrative Patent Judge

**PTAB STATISTICS**

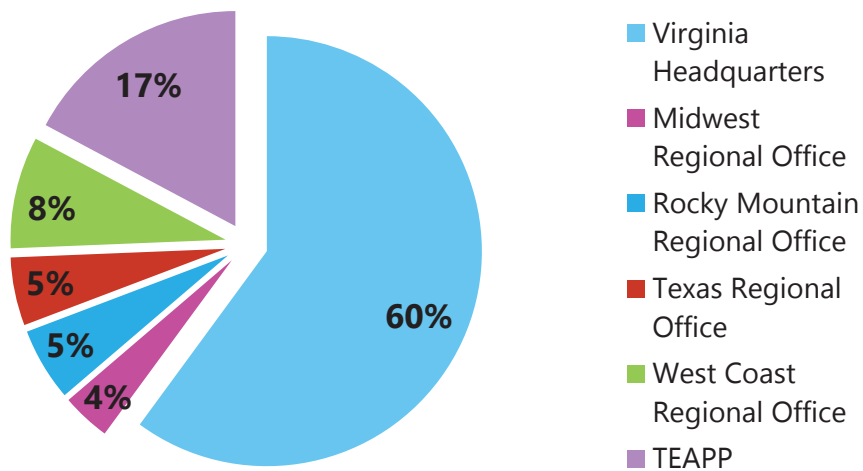
## Board Size Over Time (Calendar Year)



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## PTAB Office Location Demographics

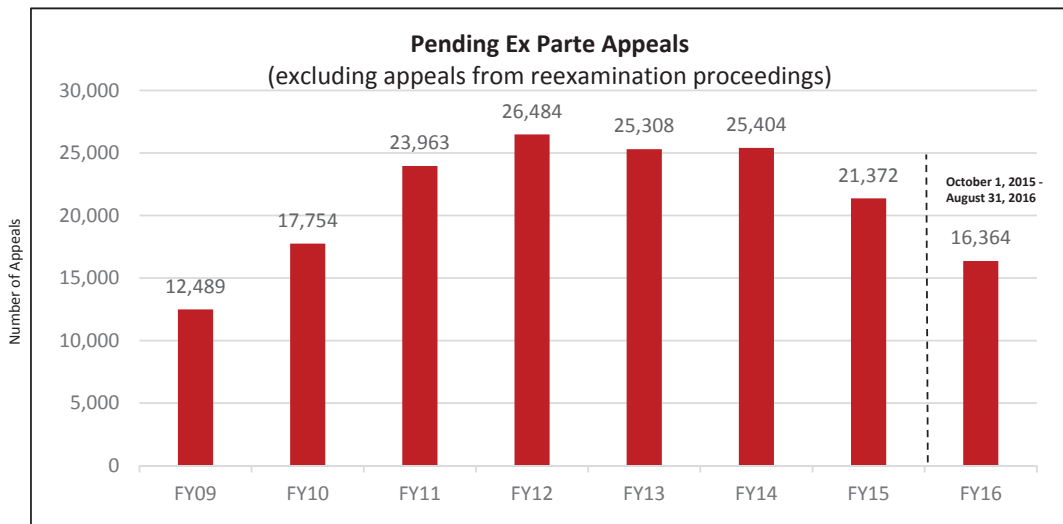
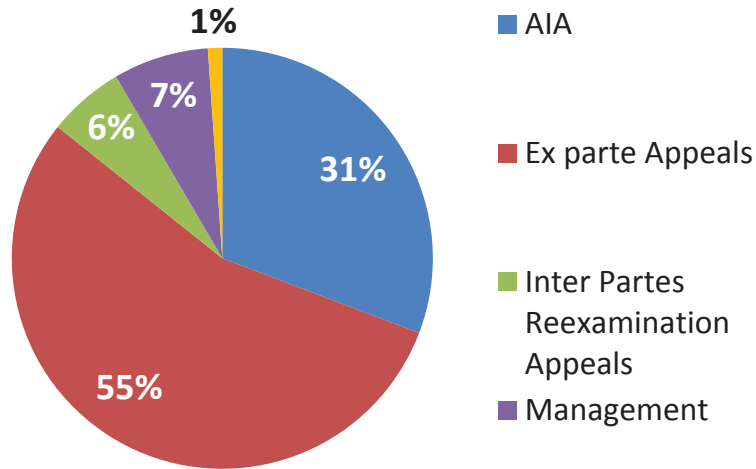
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# Board Docket Assignments

(approximate) as of September 6, 2016



This graph shows the total number of ex parte appeals pending at the end of each fiscal year, excluding reexamination, reissue and supplemental examination appeals.

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