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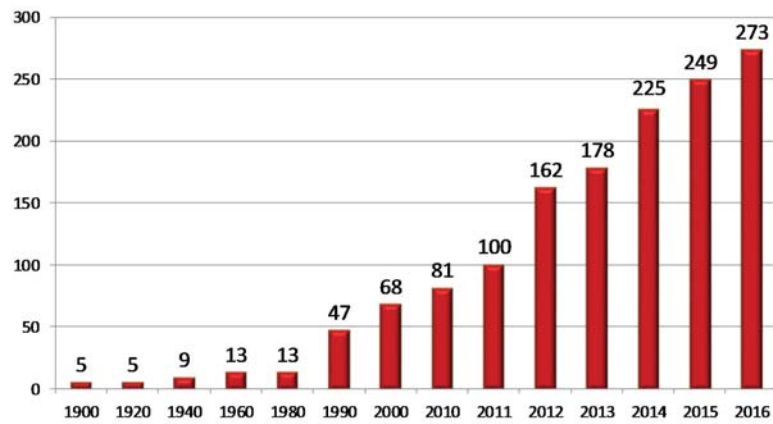
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former Chief Administrative Patent Judge

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**

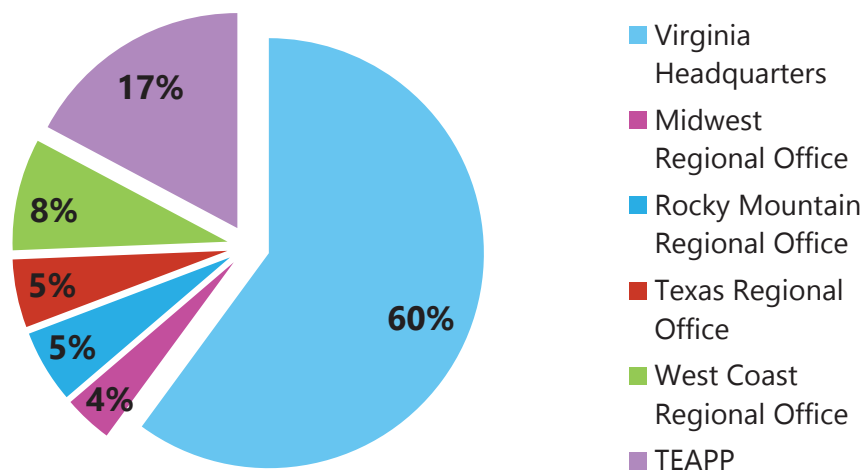
## Board Size Over Time (Calendar Year)



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## PTAB Office Location Demographics

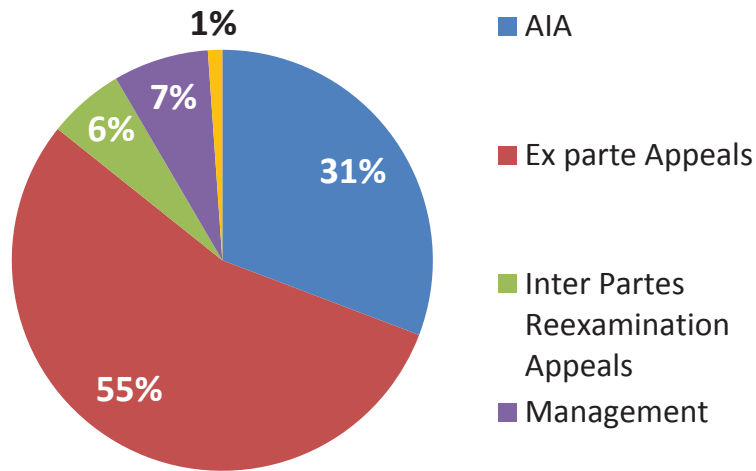
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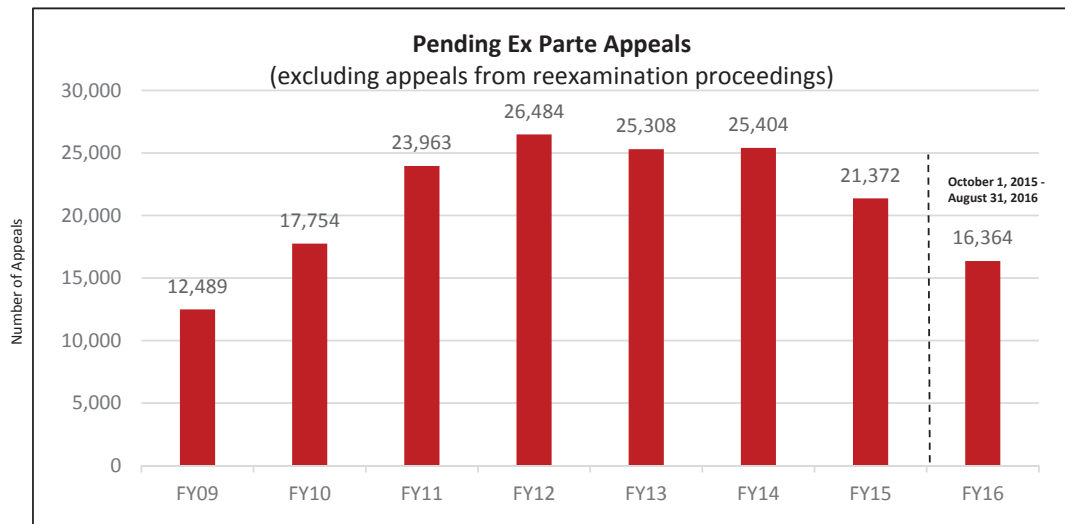
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# Board Docket Assignments

(approximate) as of September 6, 2016



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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.

\* As a result of an internal audit the number of pending appeals for 9/30/2015 has been updated from 21,293 to 21,372.

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