

# Be Ready to Prove Intent to Use or Actual Use of a Trademark



A **client alert** from Cowan Liebowitz & Latman discusses two recent developments conveying similar messages regarding the need to maintain supporting evidence at both the trademark application and registration stages.

According to the report by **William M. Borchard** and **Vanessa P. Costantini**, “if you file an application alleging an intention to use the mark in commerce, you may be required to support that allegation if it is challenged in an opposition, cancellation or infringement proceeding.”

They added that the United States Patent and Trademark Office may now require proof of the actual use of the mark in connection with all of the goods and services listed in the trademark application or registration.

**Read the article.**

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