

# Membership Information

## Patent & Trademark Depository Library Association

The Patent and Trademark Depository Library Association was established in 1983 for those employees of Patent and Trademark Depository Libraries (PTDLs) who work with the patent and trademark depository library collections. PTDLA's objectives are "to discover the interests, needs, opinions, and goals of the PTDLs, to advise the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) in these matters" and "to assist the USPTO in planning and implementing appropriate services."

**Regular PTDLA membership** is open to any interested person employed at a Patent & Trademark Depository Library. Regular members may vote on PTDLA business, and may hold elective offices or appointive positions.

**Affiliate membership** is open to persons not eligible for regular membership who fall into the following categories: retired PTDL staff, former PTDL representatives, librarians and staff at libraries who respond to questions from their clientele regarding patent and trademark information, current and former USPTO staff, and students enrolled in a library and information science/studies program.

**Dues** for membership remain a bargain – just \$25 a year. Currently enrolled library school students are eligible for affiliate membership at a reduced rate of \$10.00. Membership in PTDLA does not imply an invitation to attend the annual training seminar. Our membership fees pay for Seminar expenses, publication of our Newsletter, maintenance and upgrades of our website, gifts, stationery, and other operating budget needs. Dues cover membership from the last day of the current Seminar to the last day of the next year's event. Only individual memberships are permitted; there is no provision for institutional or group memberships.

If you have any questions regarding your membership status, please direct them to Jim Miller, PTDLA Treasurer. Jim's telephone number is (301) 405-9152 and his email address is [jmiller2@umd.edu](mailto:jmiller2@umd.edu).

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### Membership Form – Detach (or photocopy) and mail

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PTDLA MEMBERSHIP = \$25.00 Student = \$10.00

Please make checks payable to: PTDLA. Do not send cash. Do not make checks payable to any individual or the PTDL Program. If you require a permanent address for an IRS W-9 Form, use the address on the right but please mail the check to the Treasurer address on the left.

Mail this form and your check to:

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