

# UNITED *for* PATENT REFORM

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## Supreme Court Upholds AIA Inter Partes Review

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**Washington, DC** – The U.S. Supreme Court today upheld the constitutionality of the inter partes review (IPR) process. Job creating American businesses have come to rely on the IPR procedures as a vital tool to defend against unwarranted patent assertion claims. The IPR procedures strengthen our patent system and improve overall patent quality.

Today's ruling permanently settles the issue of IPR constitutionality. Maintaining a strong IPR program will bolster public confidence in our world-leading patent system. This ruling will help ensure that American inventors and businesses can focus on building products and creating jobs rather than paying to fend off abusive litigation.

The hundreds of companies and many trade associations from nearly every sector of the U.S. economy who make up the [United for Patent Reform](#) coalition were encouraged by today's Supreme Court ruling. IPR's fair and efficient proceedings have contributed to an improvement in patent quality and a noticeable decline in abusive lawsuits.

### **About United for Patent Reform**

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