

Example of a Fraudulent Email

From: [REDACTED]
Date: April 20, 2024 at 12:24:18 PM EDT
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Urgent Alert: Immediate Attention Needed for USPTO Trademark Conflict.

Hi [REDACTED],

I hope this email finds you in good health.

I am writing to you on behalf of the legal department of [REDACTED].

We have received an application for the registration of the trademark "[REDACTED]". The applicant is seeking legal protection for this brand name. We are currently reviewing the application to ensure compliance with trademark regulations and will proceed with the necessary legal procedures accordingly. During our research, we came across your information and discovered that this brand name is not currently registered with the USPTO, leaving it open for registration by any interested party.

Given the USPTO's policy of processing applications on a first-come, first-served basis, the other applicant will be granted the opportunity to proceed with their registration if you are not actively using the brand name "[REDACTED]" in commerce or are unwilling to seek trademark registration for it.

We kindly request that you respond to us promptly. If we do not receive any objections from you, the other applicant will be permitted to initiate their registration process, which will follow the standard examination and filing procedures established by the USPTO.

It's important to note that, as stipulated in the Act of 1946, specifically §§ 1051 et seq, federal registration of your mark is essential to establish and protect your ownership rights.

We eagerly await your response.