




PATENT FILING AND GRANT PROCESS

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PROCESS STEPS

1. Filing
 2. Formality Examination
 - Request for examination
 3. Pre Grant Publication
 4. Substantive Examination
 5. Grant/Refusal
 6. Post Grant Publication
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PROCESS STEPS

Filing

- Receiving and assigning an application number
- 0-1 day after submitting the application

Formality Examination

- Confirming that the formality requirements are met
- 2-3 days after the application number is assigned

Pre grant Publication

- Publication of the application bibliographic data
- 18 months from the priority date/ first filing date
- The publication is accompanied by a search report if the search has been carried out.

PROCESS STEPS

Substantive Examination

- Confirming compliance with patentability criteria
- 0-24 months from publication
- At the conclusion of the examination, an examination report is established.

Grant/Refusal

- Grant/Refusal
- 2 - 5 days after the examination report is established
- Grant is subject to the payment of grant fees

Post grant Publication

- Granted patents are published as required under Section 31 (2) In the Uganda Gazette.

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