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# IP Services Offered in JORDAN

Our liaison office in JORDAN (Amman) with the cooperation of Messrs/ **The Right Choice IP** covers various services for registration, protection and legal prosecution of Trademarks, Industrial Designs & Patents, in addition to full legal services on any IP related issue.

Herein a brief on the main information, requirements & costs for the same, as follows:

#### Trademarks

There has been a recent update to the provisions of Trademark Law in Jordan in 1999, lead to the rise of the Jordanian TM Law no. 34 to the year 1999 which had been issued on the official gazette issue no. 4389 of 01.01.1999.

Pursuant to the referred law, the Trademark in Jordan is registerable for 10 years renewable for further 10-year periods with the ability to lately renew the same within a grace period of 1 year after its expiry; otherwise, the TM shall be cancelled from the TM Registry.

The 9th edition of the International Nice Classification of Goods and Services for the Registration of Marks is the adopted classification in Jordan.

Stating international class heading in addition to the goods/services of the applicant's interest will provide a broadest protection.

#### **Filing Procedures:**

A filed trademark application is subject for examination on the registrability and prior rights bases. Once an application is accepted, it will be published in the official gazette for opposition purposes. Opposition period of 90 days will be permitted to file an opposition by any third party. If no opposition is reported, the final registration fees will become due for payment. The certificate of registration will be due for issuance upon settlement of the registration fees.

As per the Jordanian Trademark Law, the mark should be used within 3 years from the registration date. However, use of a trademark is not compulsory for keeping the registration in force. But non-use of the registration will expose it for cancellation. As per the law, any interested party may apply for cancellation of a trademark registration, in case of failure to use the trademark by the owner in Jordan for **three consecutive years** from the date of registration.



A registered trademark can be assigned/pledged/licensed. The recordal applications should be published in the Trademark official gazette to be effective against third parties.

Amendment of the applicant's name, address and/or list of goods/services can be filed. Publication of the amendment is required as stated in the law and bylaws.

## **Total Charges:**

Filing a new TM application in Jordan covering only one class, totally costs (*professional & official fees inclusive*) up to registration: USD 1,350.00; detailed as follows:

Item	Official	Professional	Total Costs
Filing new TM application in one class	146.00	454.00	600.00
Publication on the TM Journal	71.00	179.00	250.00
Registration Fees	428.00	72.00	500.00
Grand Total	645.00	705.00	USD 1,350.00

## \* Supplementary Charges:

- Searching registrability of one mark in one class costing in total USD 180.00 (covering both word & design marks).
- Local validation of the POA, totally costing USD 60.00 (if required).
- Arabic translation of priority document USD 15.00 per page (if any).
- Claiming priority USD 50.00 (if any).

While for renewal of a registered TM, our total costs for the same (*including official fees*) are USD 1,017.00; detailed as follows:

Item	Official	Professional	Total Costs
Renewal of a reregistered TM before expiry date	502.00	350.00	852.00
Publication on the official gazette	40.00	125.00	165.00
Grand Total	542.00	475.00	USD 1,017.00



As for recording an assignment/merger/license on a registered TM, our total costs for the same (*including official fees*) are USD 650.00; detailed as follows:

Item	Official	Professional	Total Costs
Recording a transfer of ownership on one mark	144.00	356.00	500.00
Publication on the official gazette	75.00	75.00	150.00
Grand Total	219.00	431.00	USD 650.00

#### **Filing Requirements:**

- 1- A duly signed Power of Attorney (POA) which must be legalized up to the Jordanian Consulate at your end; acceptable to be <u>lately submitted</u> within 3 months as of the filing date, at no extra fees.
- 2- A certified copy of the priority document (if claimed); with no need to be legalized.

#### **Renewal Requirements:**

• A duly signed Power of Attorney (POA) which must be legalized up to the Jordanian Consulate at your end (in case we do not hold an applicable one in our files).

### **Assignment Requirements:**

- 1- A Power of Attorney signed by the <u>assignee</u> and **legalized** up to the Jordanian Consulate.
- 2- A legalized deed of assignment duly singed by both parties and legalized up to the Jordanian Consulate.

#### Patents

There has been also a recent update to the provisions of Patent Law in Jordan in 2001, lead to the rise of the Jordanian Temporary Patent Law no. 71 to the year 2001 (based on an initial Patent Law no. 32 to the year 1999) which had been issued on the official gazette issue no. 4520 of 02.12.2001.

A patent once being granted in Jordan, it allows its owner to exploit the subject invention exclusively for **20 years** as of the application's filing date; where an annuity fee shall be settled at the Jordanian Patent Office each year starting from the 2nd year as of the filing date in Jordan or the convention's filing date (in case a convention priority is claimed)

### Filing procedures:

Once the application is being filed at the Jordanian Patent Office, the registrar starts examining the registrability, absolute novelty, industrial applicability of the subject patent; where the examiner may require whatever amendments may be necessary for the patent to comply with the patentability measures.



It is acceptable to file a petition against the rejection decision at the High Court of Justice within a grace period that shall be clearly mentioned at the official notification issued by the registrar in this regard.

Once the application is accepted, it is then published on the official gazette; where a (90) days period is granted for any third party to oppose the subject application in Jordan.

Should no opposition filed against the application, a subject invention will mature into registration and a letter patent shall immediately be issued after settlement of the relevant fees at the Patent Office.

The letter patent remains in force enjoying protection for 20 years from the national filing date or from the PCT filing date (only for national phase entry applications) provided that annuities are settled in time.

## **Total Charges:**

Kindly note that for a proposed new national patent application (or national phase entry of PCT) in Jordan, our total costs (*professional & official fees inclusive*) up to grant are USD 1,655.00; detailed as follows:

Item	Official fee	Professional	Total in USD
Filing fees	148.00	552.00	700.00
Publication on the official gazette	72.00	48.00	120.00
60-day Extension of Time (New - Must)	145.00	00	145.00
Claiming priority (if claimed)	00.00	70.00	70.00
Total for Filing Stage Only	365.00	670.00	USD 1,035.00
Examination Fees	150.00	190.00	340.00
Registration & Letter Patent Issuance	220.00	60.00	280.00
Grand Total for Overall Stages	735.00	920.00	USD 1,655.00

- ✓ Arabic translation fees of the patent specifications are USD 10.00 /per page (page= 200 words)
- ✓ Annuity fees are fixed; totally costs: USD 350.00 /per 2 years; starting from the international filing date; up to 20 years n.

Years	Official	Professional	
1	150.00	350.00	
2	220.00	350.00	
3	290.00	350.00	
4	360.0	350.00	
5	430.00	350.00	
6	500.00	350.00	
7	570.00	350.00	
8	640.00	350.00	
9	710.00	350.00	
10	780.00		
11	850.00	350.00	
12	920.00	350.00	
13	990.00	350.00	



14	1060.00		
15	1130.00	350.00	
16	1200.00	350.00	
17	1270.00	250.00	
18	1340.00	350.00	
19	1410.00	350.00	
20	1480.00	350.00	

#### **Filing Requirements:**

- 1- A Power of Attorney signed by the applicant legalized up to the Jordanian Consulate.
- 2- An Affidavit (form no. 4) duly signed by the applicant & inventor (just in case the applicant is not the inventor) which shall be **legalized** up to the Jordanian Consulate; noting that this patent form 4 is an acceptable substitute for the Deed of Assignment.
- 3- Certificate of Incorporation or Extract of the Commercial Register, just for an applicant company (*no need for legalization*).
- 4- The specification in English or French for preparing the Arabic translation. The specification must be subdivided as follows:
  - a. Prior art,
  - b. Drawbacks of the prior art,
  - c. What is new about the invention (improvements),
  - d. Detailed description,
  - e. Mode of exploitation of the invention,
- 5- A summary of the invention (abstract) in English and Arabic.
- 6- One clear set of the formal drawings.
- 7- Arabic translation of the patent's specifications.

### **Industrial Designs**

The applicable law currently in force in Jordan for Industrial Design is the Law no. 14 to the year 2000; which had been issued on the official gazette issue no. 4423 of 02.04.2000. According to the procedures and fees defined by the bylaws. Once a design is registered in Jordan, the protection period will remain valid for 15 years from the filing date, provided that all formalities are fulfilled at the time of filing the application at the Jordanian Patent Office.

No substantive examination for designs in Jordan, rather the registrar just proceeds with an examination in form, where in case of acceptance, it subject design is to be published on the official gazette; where a (90) days period is granted for any third party to oppose the subject application in Jordan. No annuities are payable for a design registration in Jordan.



#### **Total Charges:**

Kindly note that for new design applications in Jordan, our total cost (*professional & official fees inclusive*) up to registration for each application is USD 850.00; detailed as follows:

Item	Official	Professional	Total Costs
Filing new Design application	50.00	400.00	450.00
Publication on the official gazette	75.00	95.00	170.00
Registration fees	75.00	155.00	230.00
Grand Total	200.00	650.00	USD 850.00

- ✓ Claiming a convention priority will totally cost: USD 50.00.
- ✓ Arabic translation fees of the priority document are USD 15.00/per page, (page = 200 words).
- ✓ Late filing of required documents totally costs: USD 80.00.

## **Filing Requirements:**

- 1- POA duly signed by the applicant and legalized up to the Jordan consulate at your end.
- 2- A certificate of incorporation or an extract of entry in the Commercial Register of the applicant (in case the applicant is a company with no need for legalization).
- 3- A Deed of assignment duly signed by the applicant & designer, which must be legalized up to the Jordanian Consulate (i.e. just in case the applicant is not the inventor).
- 4- A certified copy of the priority document (along with a soft e-copy) with no need for legalization.
- 5- A summary of the invention (abstract) in English and Arabic.
- 6- One clear set of formal drawings.

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