appointed by the Director that the administrative patent judge so appointed was acting as a de facto officer.

(Added Pub. L. 106–113, div. B, § 1000(a)(9) [title IV, § 4717(2)], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1536, 1501A–580; amended Pub. L. 107–273, div. C, title III, § 13203(a)(2), Nov. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 1902; Pub. L. 110–313, § 1(a)(1), Aug. 12, 2008, 122 Stat. 3014.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The date of the enactment of this subsection, referred to in subsec. (c), is the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110–313, which was approved Aug. 12, 2008.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 6, acts July 19, 1952, ch. 950, 66 Stat. 793; Pub. L. 92–132, Oct. 5, 1971, 85 Stat. 364; Pub. L. 93–596, § 1, Jan. 2, 1975, 88 Stat. 1949; Pub. L. 94–131, § 2, Nov. 14, 1975, 89 Stat. 690; Pub. L. 97–247, §§ 7, 13, Aug. 27, 1982, 96 Stat. 320, 321; Pub. L. 102–204, § 8, Dec. 10, 1991, 105 Stat. 1641, related to duties of Commissioner, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 106–113, div. B, § 1000(a)(9) [title IV, §§ 4715(a), 4731], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1536, 1501A–580, 1501A–581, effective 4 months after Nov. 29, 1999.

AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 110–313, § 1(a)(1)(A), (B), substituted ''Deputy Director'' for ''Deputy Commissioner'' in second sentence and ''Secretary of Commerce, in consultation with the Director'' for ''Director'' in last sentence.

Subsecs. (c), (d). Pub. L. 110–313, § 1(a)(1)(C), which directed addition of subsecs. (c) and (d) at end of subsec. (a), was executed by adding subsecs. (c) and (d) at end of section to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

2002—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 107–273, which directed amendment of subsec. (a) by inserting ''the Deputy Commissioner,'' after ''Commissioner,'', was executed by making the insertion after ''The Director,'' to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective 4 months after Nov. 29, 1999, see section 1000(a)(9) [title IV, § 4731] of Pub. L. 106–113, set out as an Effective Date of 1999 Amendment note under section 1 of this title.

§ 7. Library

The Director shall maintain a library of scientific and other works and periodicals, both foreign and domestic, in the Patent and Trademark Office to aid the officers in the discharge of their duties.

(July 19, 1952, ch. 950, 66 Stat. 793, § 8; Pub. L. 93–596, § 1, Jan. 2, 1975, 88 Stat. 1949; renumbered § 7 and amended Pub. L. 106–113, div. B, § 1000(a)(9) [title IV, §§ 4717(1), 4732(a)(10)(A)], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1536, 1501A–580, 1501A–582; Pub. L. 107–273, div. C, title III, § 13206(b)(1)(B), Nov. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 1906.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on Title 35, U.S.C., 1946 ed., § 10 (R.S. 486).

Some change in language has been made. ''Purchased'' is changed to ''maintained'' to include the existing library and keeping it up by additions. The phrase ''and other'' is added to include legal works. The last phrase of the corresponding section of the existing statute is omitted as unnecessary.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 7, acts July 19, 1952, ch. 950, 66 Stat. 793; Pub. L. 85–933, § 2, Sept. 6, 1958, 72 Stat. 1793; Pub. L. 86–370, § 1(b), Sept. 23, 1959, 73 Stat. 650; Pub. L. 93–596, § 1, Jan. 2, 1975, 88 Stat. 1949; Pub. L. 93–601, § 2, Jan. 2, 1975, 88 Stat. 1956; Pub. L. 98–622, title II, § 201(a), Nov. 8, 1984, 98 Stat. 3386, established the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 106–113, div. B, § 1000(a)(9) [title IV, §§ 4717(1), 4731], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1536, 1501A–580, 1501A–581, effective 4 months after Nov. 29, 1999.

AMENDMENTS

2002—Pub. L. 107–273 made technical correction to directory language of Pub. L. 106–113, § 1000(a)(9) [title IV, § 4732(a)(10)(A)]. See 1999 Amendment note below.

1999—Pub. L. 106–113, § 1000(a)(9) [title IV, § 4732(a)(10)(A)], as amended by Pub. L. 107–273, substituted ''Director'' for ''Commissioner''.

Pub. L. 106–113, § 1000(a)(9) [title IV, § 4717(1)], renumbered section 8 of this title as this section.

1975—Pub. L. 93–596 substituted ''Patent and Trademark Office'' for ''Patent Office''.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1999 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 106–113 effective 4 months after Nov. 29, 1999, see section 1000(a)(9) [title IV, § 4731] of Pub. L. 106–113, set out as a note under section 1 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1975 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 93–596 effective Jan. 2, 1975, see section 4 of Pub. L. 93–596, set out as a note under section 1111 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade.

§ 8. Classification of patents

The Director may revise and maintain the classification by subject matter of United States letters patent, and such other patents and printed publications as may be necessary or practicable, for the purpose of determining with readiness and accuracy the novelty of inventions for which applications for patent are filed.

(July 19, 1952, ch. 950, 66 Stat. 794, § 9; renumbered § 8 and amended Pub. L. 106–113, div. B, § 1000(a)(9) [title IV, §§ 4717(1), 4732(a)(10)(A)], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1536, 1501A–580, 1501A–582; Pub. L. 107–273, div. C, title III, § 13206(b)(1)(B), Nov. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 1906.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on Title 35, U.S.C., 1946 ed., § 6 note (June 10, 1898, ch. 430, § 1, 30 Stat. 440).

Changes in language are made.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 8 was renumbered section 7 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2002—Pub. L. 107–273 made technical correction to directory language of Pub. L. 106–113, § 1000(a)(9) [title IV, § 4732(a)(10)(A)]. See 1999 Amendment note below.

1999—Pub. L. 106–113, § 1000(a)(9) [title IV, § 4732(a)(10)(A)], as amended by Pub. L. 107–273, substituted ''Director'' for ''Commissioner''.

Pub. L. 106–113, § 1000(a)(9) [title IV, § 4717(1)], renumbered section 9 of this title as this section.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1999 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 106–113 effective 4 months after Nov. 29, 1999, see section 1000(a)(9) [title IV, § 4731] of Pub. L. 106–113, set out as a note under section 1 of this title.

§ 9. Certified copies of records

The Director may furnish certified copies of specifications and drawings of patents issued by