Submission of Information by Third Parties

Argentina

The Republic of Argentina does not provide for a pre- or post-grant opposition procedure. Any third party may submit, under a different procedure, observations on the patentability of an invention but shall not subsequently be involved therein.

In accordance with Article 28 of Law Nº 24.481 on Patents and Utility Models, as amended, and with the relevant decree and regulations, any person may submit substantiated observations on patent applications, together with documentary evidence, within 60 days of the publication of that application in the Patent Journal. Such observations must be confined to the failure to meet some or all of the legal requirements for granting the patent.

The examiner shall include among his/her observations those submitted by third parties on the lack of novelty, industrial applicability or inventive step, or on the unlawfulness of the object of the application, unless the submitted observations were manifestly unfounded and so declared by the examiner concerned.

A fee is payable for the submission of third-party observations.