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Industry Reaction to the Resignation of USPTO Director Michelle Lee
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Michelle Lee was in charge of the US Patent and Trademark Office during tumultuous times. She inherited the Office after the departure of a very popular and successful administrator and his protégé. She was charged with numerous difficult tasks, including implementing the controversial AIA, an ever changing law of patent-eligibility, addressing other significant changes in the patent law arising from disagreement between the Judges at the Federal Circuit and the Justices as the U.S. Supreme Court, as well as addressing landmark decisions in trademark law also coming from the Federal Circuit and U.S. Supreme Court. She was one of the few Obama appointees who continued to serve under the new Administration, which presented its own unique set of challenges. Through it all she served the public with grace and poise. May she have the best of luck in her next endeavor and her successor have smooth sailing when the mantle is assumed.

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