

*Caveats.*

Inventors requiring any further time or means for the completion of their inventions, should invariably be protected by a caveat filed in the secret archives of the Patent Office. This entitles the inventor to immediate notice of the filing of a rival application, and is far preferable to the filing of applications for patents on crude inventions of doubtful novelty, to meet with probable rejection, or to serve as finger-posts or beacons to more careful inventors. Only citizens of the United States can file a caveat in the United States Patent Office ; but any one, whether subject or alien, can file a caveat in the Canada Patent Office. A caveat continues in force one year, but may be renewed annually. If it is desired to file a caveat, send me a sketch with a description of the invention and the fee, when the necessary documents will be prepared and forwarded for signature.

*Design Patents.*

Invention involving ornamental configuration, either in manufactures, sculptures or prints, to be imprinted upon articles of manufacture, may be protected by what is called a Design Patent.

In making application for Design Patents send me a specimen or drawing of the design, and a description setting forth what is new.

*Trade Marks.*

A Trade Mark is a device used to distinguish the goods of a particular manufacture.

*Who May Obtain a Trade Mark ?*

Any person, firm or corporation, who is entitled to its exclusive use and uses the same in commerce.