Hello,

I am an inventor, entrepreneur, a patent holder and very much concerned about the lack of protections small businesses from large corporations.

In 2011, the America Invents Act was enacted with created the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) to review alleged infringements. Unfortunately, the PTAB was filled with handpicked judges who made over 80% rulings in favor of large corporation (84% patent invalidation rate). Small businesses and startups have a term for PTAB... patent destroyers.

PTAB favors large corporations with big legal departments who can outspend and outlast any startup or individual inventor who manages to challenge corporate infringers in court. Startups and inventors often spend their retirement savings to obtain patents and may not have funding and resources available for prolonged PTAB proceedings.

I urge you and your colleagues to undo the unintended consequence of the 2011 America Invests Act and dissolve the PTAB immediately.

Thank you.

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