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Major Duties The Director for Innovation and Intellectual Property leads U.S. government work on a variety of bilateral, regional and multilateral intellectual property and innovation trade initiatives. The incumbent formulates and develops U.S. international trade policy positions on intellectual property and innovation issues for consideration by USTR leadership and leads or serves on trade-related teams of representatives from other U.S. Government agencies to advance those policies. A background of 3-6 years in trade and intellectual property law is preferred. The ability to speak and read one or more foreign languages is desirable, but not required. Domestic and foreign travel will be required. Among other responsibilities, the Director: Seeks to identify and resolve innovation and intellectual property rights (IPR)-related trade-related concerns using all available tools of U.S. trade policy; Negotiates intellectual property property provisions of trade agreements, work plans, and other bilateral and multilateral trade commitments, and as direct by USTR leadership and in consultation with other U.S. government agencies; Leads the development of trade policy options related to innovation and intellectual property matters for consideration by agency leadership; Advances the USTR’s trade and IP agenda through coordination of interagency input, research, and drafting of reports to Congress and the public; Prepares Congressional testimony, briefing materials, summary statements and speeches for USTR leadership, as appropriate, that reflect the U.S. government’s trade policies related to innovation and intellectual property.

Annual Salary Range $94,000 - $154,000

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