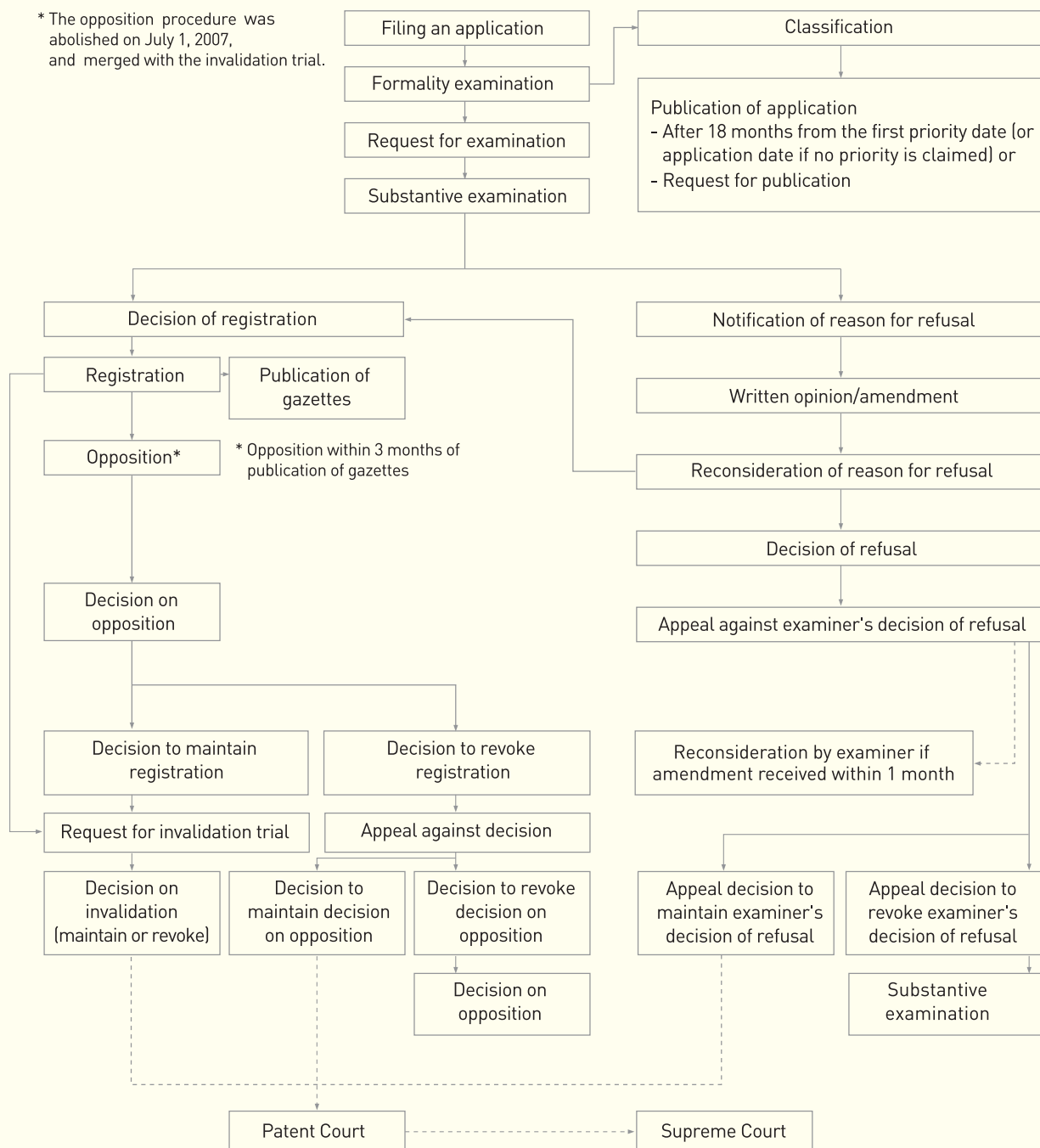


Flow chart for examinations



Procedure for granting patents and utility models

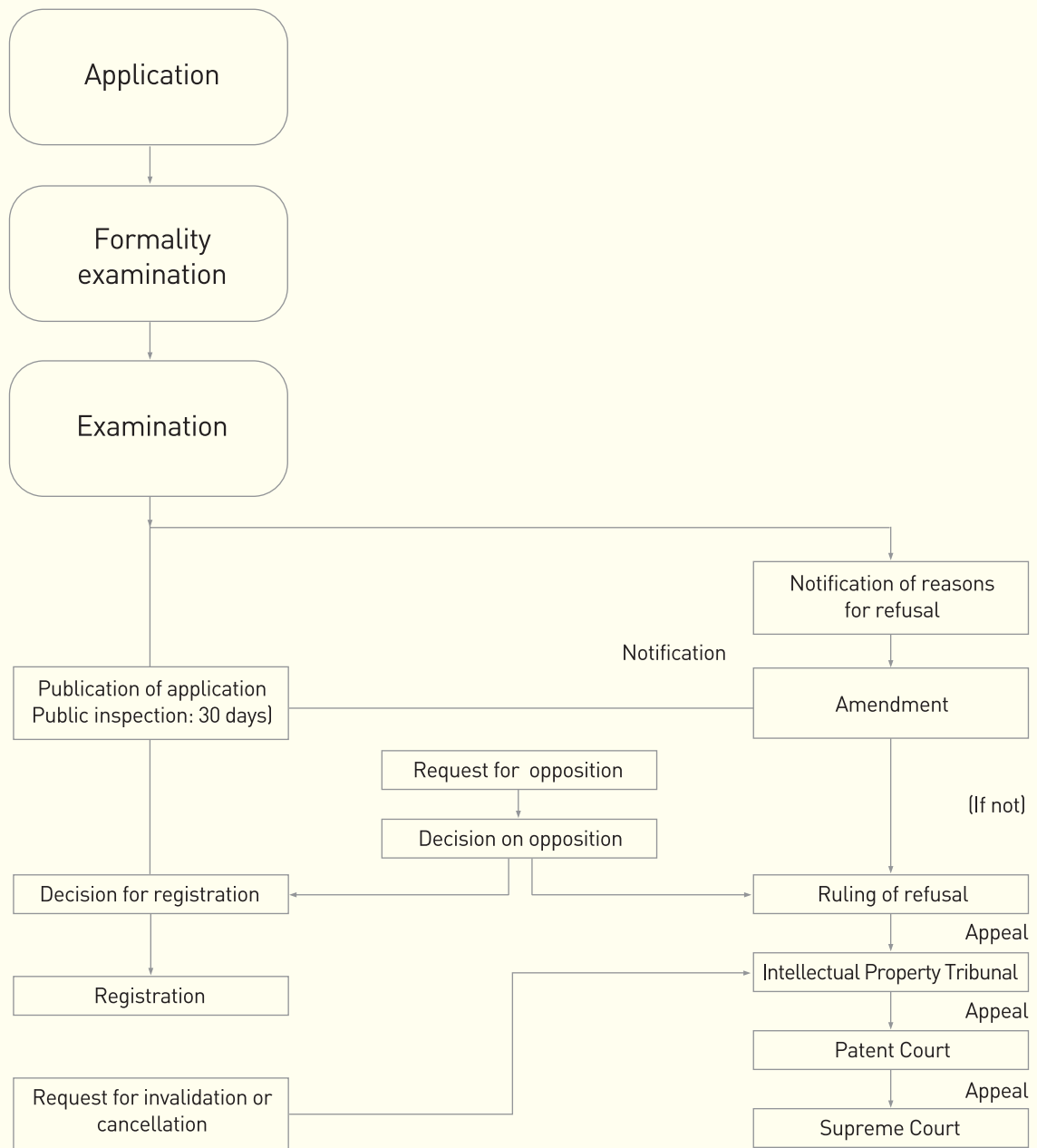
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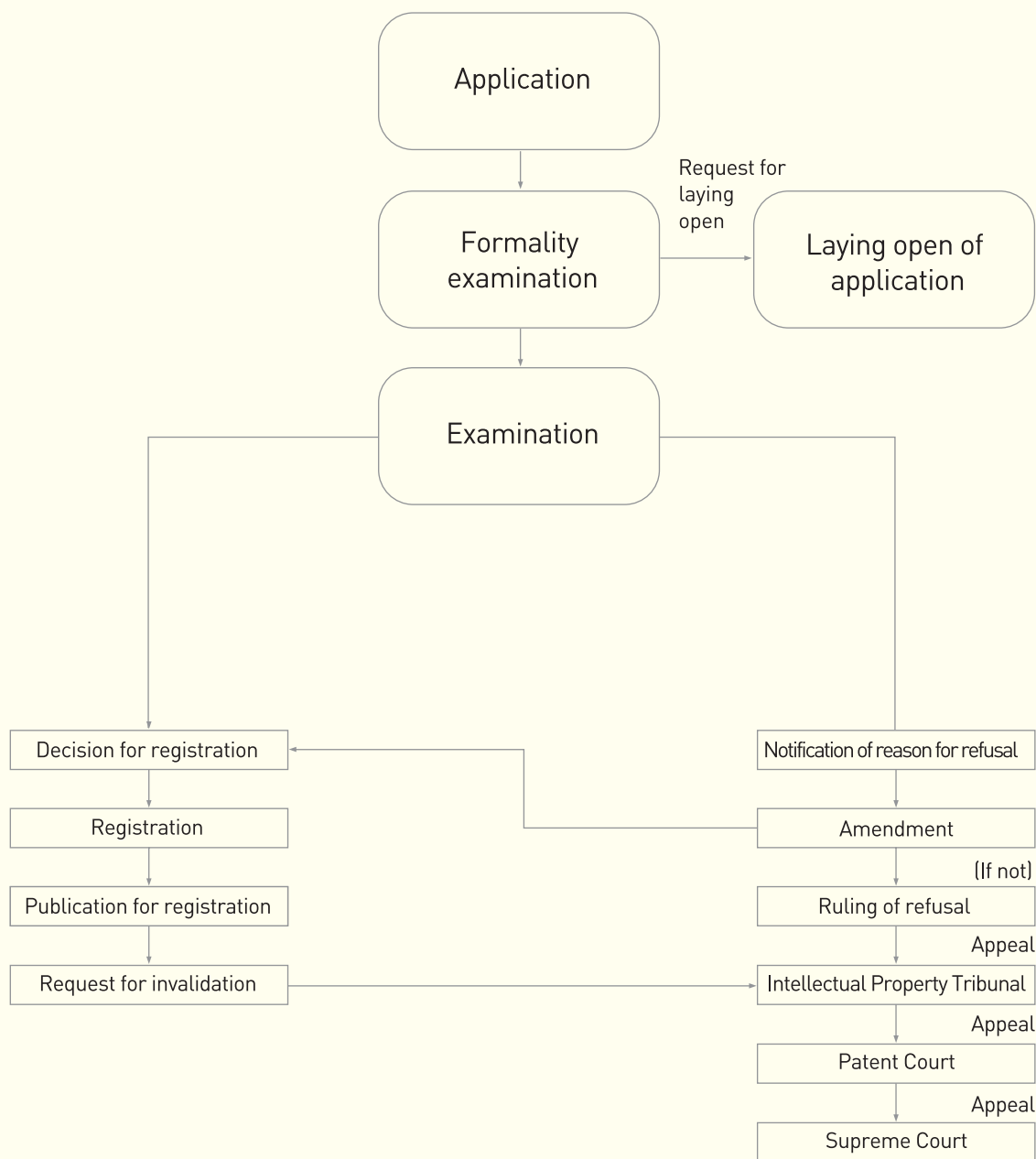
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Substantive examination for industrial designs



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Nonsubstantive examination for industrial designs

