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General Comment

Hello, I am an independent inventor with 4 patents and 2 open applications. You know what we go through and the expense involved to get a patent. It's a big deal! However, in recent years big money has been allowed to squash people like me because I can't afford to walk in step with them when they have piles of money to attack me. They know this. For what to them is a nominal amount of money yet to me it is more than I have, they can take my patent away. A patent that was examined and duly awarded. Why on Earth is every patent examiner being questioned by a group of lawyers with a few words like obvious, prior art? Because it is easy to say that after the fact. It wasn't obvious when the inventor came up with it and it wasn't obvious when the examiner spent months researching it. It only became obvious when it was on the bubble with expensive lawyers saying OBVIOUS! We need this to stop now. I can't pay to get a patent, make a prototype, pay my bills and then have to pay a lawyer more than I have because a deep pockets corporation likes my invention and doesn't want to pay me. HELP!! Stop the madness now. If you don't American inventive Spirit will be American corporate greed. It's the little guys who need relief not the big corporations. I know you can see this and I know you know the problem. So why not fix it and make it fair for everyone? Think about it, please.