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Comment from Kevin Fittz

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## General Comment

There has to be a process in place to prevent low-quality, low-fidelity patents and the resultant unnecessary and harmful litigation. It appears that PTO-C-2020-0055 is going to remove or hamper the process that currently exists, rather than strengthen it and prevent frivolous patent-based litigation. Without a process to prevent this sort of litigious harm, innovation by individuals and small businesses is threatened for fear of losing everything because someone described and patented a vague idea that lawyers can twist against the innovator as patent infringement. I emphatically recommend that regulations secure innovation that is high-quality, specific and high-resolution against those that would patent a vague idea and then partner with a law firm against real innovation.