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1. Require applicants in the application or in response to first office action affirmatively state whether it is intended that a limitation in a preamble is a limitation on claim scope. If applicant says it should not be, and the examiner disagrees, the examiner gives a 112 rejection and it is the burden on the applicant to persuade the examiner otherwise.
2. If any term in the claim does not have a standard dictionary definition or term in the art, give a 112 rejection. If the applicant is relying on a specific definition in the specification, do the same check on that definition. It does no good to have a definition that itself is ambiguous or indefinite
3. Insist on reasons for allowance. It should not be optional.

I am the author of the bestselling treatise "How to Write A Patent Application" so consider these comments from a guy in the trenches who teaches others how to do this.

Dennis – thanks for the heads up about this

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