

**I am Gregg Paulson an inventor, holder of an expired Provisional Patent Application due to lack of finance. I am getting another for the same concept. The idea of first to file is in my opinion rigged against the small inventor. That is for a different time. As a member of the Inventors Association of Arizona in Phoenix, Arizona, part of IGA (Inventors Groups Of America) which supports stronger patent rights.**

**I am writing in support of proposed changes by the USPTO to the claim construction standard for interpreting claims in trial proceedings before the patent trial and appeal board. I feel this is very important to implement a fair and balanced approach, while providing greater predictability and certainty in the patent system.**

**My concern is personal as my invention is very very simple idea and could be copied easily.**

**The time, energy and money Josh Malone shelled out to protect a patent issued by the USPTO is a system that clearly not designed to protect the little inventor by giving the venue to the violator is obviously misguided at the very best.**

**This inequity is a great concern to me. The spirit of the law as I understand it is to legally protect intellectual property of all sorts. A statesman/women knows it should protect all equally, not just those with deep pockets and political influence.**

**This country was built by small inventors. All studies show it is the small company that create the majority of new jobs. The reasons are obvious; innovative ideas, new technologies, applications and more efficient processes.**

**We need laws that promote the safety and security of these inventors, the jobs they create and the corresponding business profits that feed families and revenues into the treasury in the form of taxes.**

**Anything less is killing the geese that lay golden eggs.**

**I hope you look at the spirit of the institution and see if the laws match that intent.**

**Thank you for your consideration.**

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