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Greetings. I am Patrick Anderson, Chief Technology Officer with Dominion Harbor Group. We are an IP transaction and advisory services company offering comprehensive patent strategy development for a variety of both large and small clients.

I write today in support of the 2019 Revised Patent Subject Matter Eligibility Guidance. The guidance improves predictability of examination and post issuance review, which is critical for the long term planning and budgeting decisions faced by patent owners. The guidelines will permit more reliable advice regarding patent prosecution and acquisition decisions in spite of recent court rulings that are often ambiguous and contradictory. Often times, even experienced attorneys have been unable to reliably advise inventors and businesses as to whether certain inventions are patent eligible. The new guidelines will provide a thorough, consistent, and logical application of the current law on the subject.

Importantly, this new guidance acknowledges and resolves the confusing and contradictory holdings of recent case law, including *Alice*. Adoption of this guidance will provide order, clarity, uniformity, and reduce disputes over section 101 in the courts and the USPTO.

Thank you for undertaking this effort to clarify examination procedure. We are confident this move will help the United States retake the lead in the next wave of technological innovation in areas like quantum computing, artificial intelligence, and medical diagnostics. Protection for discoveries in these fields is the absolute best way to promote progress in our modern economy and technological climate.

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