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We will all benefit from many of the news articles on intellectual property whether we are owners, managers or investors in technology companies; attorneys or consultants. Since there are too many articles for most of us to be aware of all of them, I have compiled a list of news articles with links to the entire articles.

### USPTO

#### [USPTO 2008 Fiscal Year-End Results Demonstrate Commitment to Sustaining High Performance](#) [www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov)

...fiscal year-end numbers that demonstrate the agency's commitment to sustaining high performance in the quality and timely examination of patent and trademark applications. For the first time the USPTO met 100 percent of its Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) goals.

#### [Report calls for restructuring patent office](#)

[EETimes.com](#) - USA

The US Patent and Trademark Office needs to be overhauled if it is to come to grips with rising backlogs and a perception of declining patent quality, ...

#### [Former patent officials say backlog should become a top priority](#)

By [webmaster@govexec.com](mailto:webmaster@govexec.com) (From CongressDaily)

The Patent and Trademark Office has 700000 applications in need of processing, not including those currently being reviewed.

#### [Patent Office Finally Announces Rule Delay](#)

[IPWatchdog.com](#) - Leesburg,VA,USA

The United States Patent & Trademark Office finally posted on its website an announcement that the new appeals rules that were to go into effect today, ...

#### [GSK fights patent office again](#)

[FiercePharma](#) - Washington,DC,USA

Once again, GlaxoSmithKline is charging into patent court on Big Pharma's behalf. The drugmaker is playing point against some procedural changes the US ...

### Courts

#### [Federal Circuit Rejects Patent Attorney Expert Testimony; Finds ...](#)

[Patently-O](#) - Chicago,IL,USA

Unless a patent lawyer is also a qualified technical expert, his testimony on these kinds of technical issues is improper and thus inadmissible. ...

#### [Chip makers turn to US agency for patent battles](#)

[International Herald Tribune](#) - France

WASHINGTON: Chip companies, faced with a bleak sales outlook in 2009, are turning to the courts in the hopes of recouping revenue lost to patent ...

#### [Patent law doesn't protect Web security software](#)

[Centre Daily Times](#) - Centre,PA,USA

Not the US patent system, at present. The recent ruling of the Federal Circuit, *In re. Bilski*, eliminated software inventions from the scope of protectable ...

#### [Patent Decision Means Tough Times for Many Tech Companies ...](#)

[dBusinessNews Atlanta](#) (press release) - Atlanta,GA,USA

If they have patent applications currently pending, he adds, they may need to re-work them. "In truth, many more patent applications in the IT space will ...

#### [False Patent Press Release Leads to Sanctions | Intellectual ...](#)

President & Founder of IPWatchdog, Inc. US Patent Attorney (Reg. No. 44294) B.S. in Electrical Engineering, Rutgers University J.D., Franklin Pierce Law Center L.L.M. in Intellectual Property, Franklin Pierce Law Center ...

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### Domestic

#### Intellectual property litigation numbers fall in US

Out-Law.com - London, England, UK

There was less intellectual property (IP) litigation last year in the US than in the previous year, legal newswire Law360 has said. ...

#### Banner & Witcoff Leads the Way in Design Patent Procurement for ...

Market Wire (press release) - USA

On December 31, 2008, Banner & Witcoff set the design patent procurement record for the third consecutive year by procuring 958 design patents on behalf of ...

#### Saving Your Intellectual Property

Patent Baristas - Cincinnati, OH, USA

And if you have outsourced your research and development efforts overseas to countries with unenforced intellectual property laws and cultural norms that ...

#### Vizio Asks FCC to Lower Digital TV Patent Fees

Home Media Magazine - Santa Ana, CA, USA

By Chris Tribbey | Posted: 05 Jan 2009 HDTV company Vizio is petitioning the Federal Communications Commission to lower patent fees for digital TVs, ...

#### Will Obama PTO Director Be Good Choice?

IPWatchdog.com - Leesburg, VA, USA

So far no one knows who President-Elect Barack Obama will appoint to be the Undersecretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property, a position known in the ...

#### Who Owns Your Great Idea?

New York Times - United States

And universities cover the legal fees involved in obtaining patents on inventions they own, which can easily total \$15000 a patent.

#### Security Manager's Journal: Massive layoff is a security issue

Computerworld - Framingham, MA

Step up monitoring and shut down access as quickly as possible to make sure no intellectual property leaks out. Finally, I had to secure our ...

#### Intellectual Property Issues in Asset-Based Lending

Law.com - San Francisco, CA, USA

According to the US Patent and Trademark Office, US intellectual property is worth more

than \$5 trillion. Indeed, software and other intellectual property ...

#### Patent and Trademark Law Firm Responds to Economic Downturn

PitchEngine - Riverton, WY, USA

Gardner Groff is committed to helping its clients succeed and not restraining them from protecting their intellectual property simply because their legal ...

#### Intellectual Property Defense: How to Protect Your Business ...

Patent Baristas - Cincinnati, OH, USA

These "patent trolls" seek to buy up intellectual property through a variety of means – from buying assets of liquidating companies to working with smaller ...

#### PRO-IP Act protects copyrights and patents

The Tennessean - Nashville, TN, USA

The new statute, called the PRO-IP Act of 2008 (for "Prioritizing Resources and Organization for Intellectual Property"), should be of great interest to ...

#### From Patent Thickets to Payoffs: How Big Pharma Fights Generics

Wall Street Journal Blogs - New York, NY, USA

A "patent thicket," also known as a patent cluster, consists of hundreds of different patents filed across Europe on a single drug, with some patents coming ...

#### Intellectual Property: Using an Offshore Company

If intangible assets are a significant part of your business, it is important to manage them in a way that meets the business and legal objectives. Moving the intellectual property offshore may contribute not only to its protection and ...

#### Facebook For Patent Trolls

Forbes - NY, USA

The premise was simple: Posters to the site would highlight a patent they wanted to see blown out of the water, and visitors could receive up to \$50000 for ...

#### The Coming Clash of Intellectual Property with Insurers

NJBIZ - New Brunswick, NJ, USA

By Shankar P. Expect to see more and more companies file insurance claims over intellectual



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property, or IP, infringements as times get tougher, ...

### Corporate Data Leakage

TMCnet - USA

This particular subject matter will deal with insiders that knowingly steal intellectual property from their employers and take it with them to another ...

### International

#### The future of copyright in Europe: limitations and exceptions ...

The European Commission had announced the adoption of a "forward looking package" on intellectual property, with the publication of a Green Paper on Copyright in the Knowledge Economy that was open to public consultation until end of ...

#### China Convicts 11 in Software-Piracy Case

Wall Street Journal - USA

"I hope that this is an example of a continuation of increased international collaboration and commitment to protecting intellectual property," said David ...

#### China opens door to overseas patent applications

Reuters India - Mumbai, India

BEIJING (Reuters) - China's parliament on Saturday passed a revised patent law that will permit inventors to seek patents in other countries before ...

#### Where the Streets Have No Name Brands

US-China Today - Los Angeles, CA, USA

Will lax regulation of intellectual property rights cripple the country's development? By ZACHARY FRANKLIN and TOM WORGER The neon marquee above the ...

#### Is The UK Patent Office Ignoring Court Ruling On Software Patents ...

Techdirt -

<http://www.techdirt.com/>

However, it looks like the UK patent office may be trying to do its best to ignore the implications of the court ruling. A few readers have sent in the news that the patent office has released some guidelines that effectively say the ...

### P Model Proposed for North-South Nanotechnology Divide

Nanotechnology and Development News - Washington, DC, USA

Intellectual Property Watch, a non-profit, independent news service focusing on international intellectual property policies, has published an article ...

### Others

#### Kelly Burris: Intellectual Property - Michigan Innovators

Angel investors and venture capitalists often cite intellectual property (IP) as one of an early stage company's most important assets. If a company does not have sufficient claim over the ideas on which it is basing its business, ...

Use of a trusted advisor, either an attorney or a knowledgeable consultant is recommended.

#### Don't neglect confidentiality agreements when you're starting up

Seattle Post Intelligencer - USA

Cy Hersch, a corporate and intellectual property specialist at Summit Law Group, says confidentiality agreements are really important documents that don't ...

#### JD Supra: Legal Articles - The Intellectual Property Audit

Overview of the intellectual property audit process, published in Les Nouvelles, Dec. 2003 and...

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#### RPX Introduces First Defensive Patent Aggregation Service

SYS-CON Media - Montvale, NJ, USA

RPX Corporation, a defensive patent aggregator, today introduced a new service for technology companies that will reduce the rapidly escalating risks and ...

#### SumoBrain Adds Bulk PDF Downloading

MarketWatch - USA

FreePatentsOnline.com, the leading website for mainstream users seeking technical or intellectual property information via the world's major patent ...



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### IP Will Assume a Bigger Role in M&A Deals, Says Survey

Law.com - San Francisco, CA, USA

More than half of corporate and private equity executives believe intellectual property will become a more important factor in M&A deals during the next ...

### Patent Pools Harming Innovation

Techdirt - USA

Moser has been doing some tremendous research into the patent system, much of it looking at evidence of what impact the patent system really has (or has not ...

### Importance of Protecting Intellectual Property

By J. Douglas Miller Small Business IP Protection... -

[http://jdmesq.typepad.com/small\\_business\\_intellectu/](http://jdmesq.typepad.com/small_business_intellectu/)

Protecting intellectual property for any business entity is important. Preventing another company from copying important equipment, products, or processes; protecting trademarks which could be the single most valuable asset for a ...

### Can intellectual property be 'imperfected'?

New Hampshire Business Review - Manchester, NH, USA

They borrowed money from banks, venture capitalists, friends and family members and used their intellectual property — patents, copyrights and trademarks ...

### Intellectual Property Theft and Industrial Espionage.

ZDNet UK - UK

Then discover what it will do with your intellectual property, the content of your web site/ecommerce business, and how that will be exploited too. ...

### SumoBrain Adds Bulk PDF Downloading

MarketWatch - USA

FreePatentsOnline.com, the leading website for mainstream users seeking technical or intellectual property information via the world's major patent ...

### When it comes to patent marking, timing is everything

WTN News - Madison, WI, USA

After investing significant time, effort, and expense to apply for and obtain patent protection, a patent holder can maximize the return on that investment ...

### Protect Your Intellectual Property | Striking Up

If you have your own business or make something, you probably have some type of intellectual property that needs to be protected. It might be so small that you.

### Banks' Intellectual Property at Great Risk Amid Layoffs

Banktech - USA

By Maria Bruno-Britz Trade secrets and intellectual property are perhaps two of the areas most overlooked at banks. However, now that the industry is facing