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General Comment

If the PTAB has invalidated 84% of the 3,000 previously issued patents they have reviewed, clearly some reforms are in order for either the PTAB, or for the examination process that issued those invalidated patents.

Predictability and Reliability for patent application review and issued patents is vital.

Once a patent is issued, an inventor should not be required to finance a multi-million dollar defense to sustain the issued patent.