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To: Bilski_Guidance; [e-mail redacted] **Subject:** End software patents now

To Whom It May Concern,

Software patents do not make sense. Patenting ideas is just going to restrict the software industry more, and

this is bad. The patents don't apply to the actual code itself (copyright). Most programmers see

a design that works and they emulate it. It doesn't make sense to patent something like a close button on a piece of software, as every software needs this button and many people

are going to be needlessly sued for such things. Please stop software patents so software can be more useful in helping citizens of the world.

Thanks,

David