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2026 File Your Provisional Patent Application - Step by Step Full Demo

What are the key considerations before filing a patent for your invention? This video explains important steps inventors should understand to protect their intellectual property effectively.

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Former Google software engineer convicted of AI espionage, trade secret theft

A former Google software engineer has been convicted of stealing AI trade secrets and sharing them with companies in China, highlighting growing concerns around intellectual property protection in the AI sector.

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Duke, Darian Mensah reach settlement in transfer saga — with powerhouse landing star QB

Duke University reached a settlement with quarterback Darian Mensah following a dispute over his transfer, allowing him to move forward with joining the University of Miami.

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Apple fends off 4G wireless patent lawsuit at third trial

Apple successfully defended itself against claims it infringed 4G wireless patents, securing a victory in the third trial over the dispute.

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Netflix issued a cease-and-desist letter to ByteDance alleging that AI-generated content improperly used intellectual property tied to its shows.

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What risks inventors should understand before conducting a patent search.

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What factors determine the value of your intellectual property.

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What inventors should know before publicly sharing their invention.

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