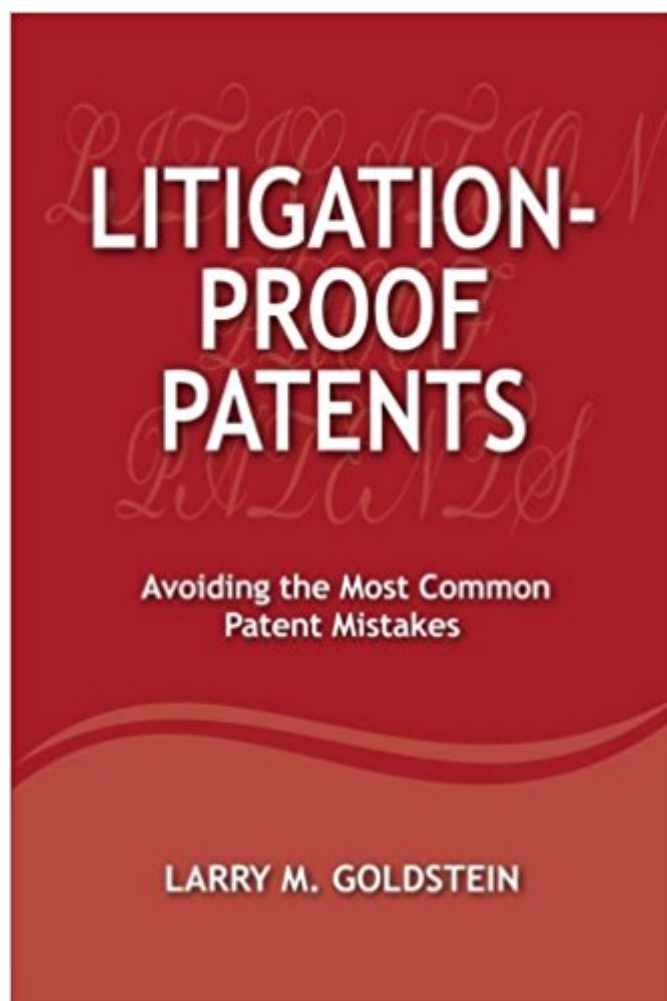


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# Litigation-Proof Patents: Avoiding The Most Common Patent Mistakes



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