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## Legal Hacks for Creators, Inventors and Entrepreneurs

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*Welcome back to my very short and informal newsletter, sharing a bit of what I find interesting, quirky, or just fun about Intellectual Property Law and Patents. I publish this once a month or so to share with you at least one idea that I think you will find both engaging and useful.*



### **#1: What Inventions In 2022 Cannot Be Patented?**

In 1980, the Supreme Court famously decided that “Anything under the sun that is made by man” is patentable. Although this test seems simple enough, we have come to learn that "anything" doesn't mean what we think when it comes to patents. In this [video](#) I explore the categories and some examples of inventions that are not patent eligible. Please leave a comment in the comment section under the video if you can think of other examples.



## **#2: How to Revive a Dead Patent**

When patents and patent applications unintentionally go abandoned, it often comes as a complete surprise. Either a notice is received in the mail from the Patent Office, or worse, death of the patent is discovered while the patent is in the process of being licensed or sold. This [video](#) addresses what to do if your patent goes abandoned and discusses the rules around possible revival.

### **Finally**

Thank you for reading, watching, “liking” and subscribing to my [videos](#) – it does make a difference as YouTube will then serve these videos to others who are looking for them. Have a wonderful and creative month.

Warm wishes,

-john

***P.S. if you’ve missed the previous issues, [click here and read them all!](#)***

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