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Greetings,

I am writing in order to voice my opinion about the proposed changes to the 'claim construction standards' used in the trial proceedings at the PTAB. I'll be honest; I don't really even have a clear understanding of the difference between a 'narrow construction' and a 'broad construction'. (I'm not the smartest person in the world, but at least I did manage to pass my electrical engineering classes with maybe a 2.5 GPA.) I'm writing mostly because, from what I can tell, the PTAB is pretty much a legal venue which provides a way for people with 'deep financial pockets' to financially bully people with 'shallow financial pockets'. Maybe I'm wrong, but the empirical evidences seems to suggest otherwise. (If I have offended anyone there at the PTAB by voicing my opinion, that was not my intention.) If the proposed changes will help swing the pendulum back towards the center, allowing 'the little guys' to have a better chance of successfully defending their patents when challenged by 'the big guys', then I am all for it. In the interest of full disclosure, I am a member of the Inventors Association of Arizona.

Thank you for your time,
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