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Individuals, and small companies should have the right to use all the tools in the software toolbox without fear that their investment in developing an idea will someday be challenged due to a software patent. Software patents only hurt innovation and centralize opportunity in large companies. The government should not use its power to further enrich large companies.

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