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### The End of Tax Strategy Patents?

In our January-February 2007 column we discussed a disturbing development for tax practitioners: the growth of the tax strategy patent industry. In that column, we reviewed how for a patent to issue an innovation be “nonobvious” such that it would not be an improvement that would be obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the pertinent art. We also explained how the Court in *State Street Bank and Trust Co. v. Signature Financial, Inc.* created the right to patent business methods. Neal Gerber Eisenberg partner and Private Wealth Services chair Lawrence I. Richman authored an article that appears in the January-February 2009 edition of *CCH's Journal of Passthrough Entities*.

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