



The Claimed Invention: A Companion for GearS (GRS)

The Robot Cat

Pat Pending is an attentive and loving pet owner, but her cat, Gears, has been very lonely lately. Pat has been wondering what, if anything, can she do to make Gears happy again. After about two weeks of watching Gears, she decides to invent a toy for Gears and wants to get a **patent** for her new invention.

Pat is only 14 years old and does not have a job, so she cannot afford to hire an attorney to draft the patent application and there are no attorneys in her small town willing to provide **pro bono services** to a high school student. Pat is determined to get a patent for her new invention, so she attended a free patent drafting workshop last week and decided that she could file as a **pro se applicant** and pay 75% less than what large companies pay and 25% less than small entities by simply qualifying for **micro-entity status**.

During the workshop, she remembered the instructor emphasizing a few very important points about filing a **patent application**. First, she remembered that the instructor recommended conducting a **patent search** since inventions must be **new** and **non-obvious**. Second, the law requires inventors to provide a **written description** of the invention that clearly describes how to “make and use” the invention. Third, she recalled the instructor stating that the application must end with at least one patent **claim** that distinctly outlines the subject matter of the invention.

Instructions: Build Pat’s invention using only the six claims outlined below and be sure to include all of the claimed elements of the invention. The toy must fit on the note card that has been provided. Good luck!

I claim:

1. A toy for a pet comprising:
an elongated mobile device having a front and back end;
a head attached to said front end;
legs attached to said back end;
a tail attached to said back end; and
a means for pulling said toy.
2. The toy as claimed in claim 1, wherein said device has a means for moving.
3. The toy as claimed in claim 1, wherein said device has eyes and ears attached to said head.
4. The toy as claimed in claim 1, wherein said tail is any color such as pink, red, green excluding white, yellow or blue.
5. The toy as claimed in claim 1, wherein said means for moving the toy is attached to the legs.
6. The toy as claimed in claim 1, wherein said means for pulling must be attached to front end and must be at least 4 inches long.