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have invented certain improvements in

METHOD FOR HIERARCHICAL VLSI MASK LAYOUT DATA INTERROGATION

and executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefore on

(Dates Inventors Signed Declaration) (1) 6/27, (2008); (2) 6/27, (2008);
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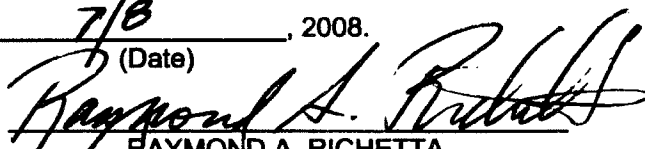
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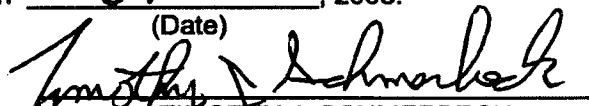
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