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GUIDELINE FOR PATENT SECTION 101 HEARINGS BEFORE DISTRICT JUDGE TRINA L. THOMPSON

To assist the Court in preparing for oral arguments on a motion to dismiss or motion for judgement on the pleadings in a patent case in which a party seeks a ruling that one or more claims of the patent(s)-in-suit is ineligible due to subject matter, each party should include the following in its motion brief:

- 1. Claims. Identify the claims for which subject matter eligibility is at issue.
- 2. Claim Construction. Explain whether claim construction is necessary to determine eligibility. If so, identify the terms and proposed construction.
 - 3. Factual disputes. Explain whether any factual disputes exist.
 - 4. **Intrinsic evidence.** Identify any relevant intrinsic evidence.
- 5. Extrinsic evidence. Identify any relevant extrinsic evidence and the basis on which the Court may consider it at this stage.
- 6. Analogous cases. Identify any Supreme Court and Federal Circuit cases where analogous claims have been found eligible or ineligible.
- 7. Procedural posture. Explain why the Court should or should not make an eligibility determination at this stage.

Dated: August 30, 2022

United States District Judge