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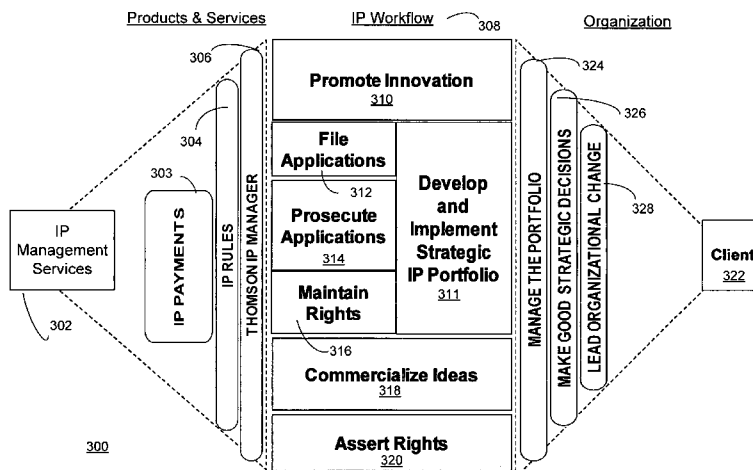


Figure 3

(57) Abstract: A system including a central server and a database for performing Intellectual Property (IP) management workflow processes is provided for creating, defining, and performing IP related workflow process. IP workflow routines present via a graphical user interface workflow screens to facilitate the exchange of data and instructions. An administration module is used to create authorized user accounts and assign roles and privileges involved in execution of IP workflow routines. A workflow creation module generates a user interface to facilitate creation of a user-defined IP workflow routine having user-defined workflow tasks to process IP related data received via user interface workflow screens. An IP management application may access, process and modify IP related data stored at the database while the IP workflow routines access and process IP related data stored at the database simultaneously with execution of the IP management application. Task modifiers associated with user-defined workflow tasks further define workflow routine operation.



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