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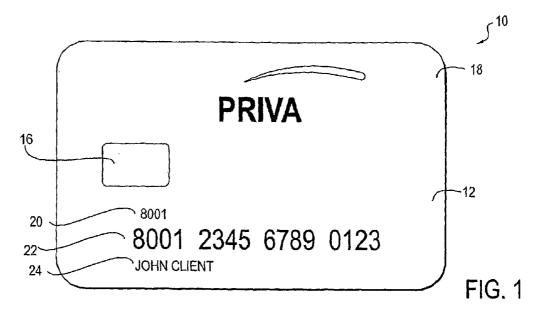
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(57) Abstract: In an exemplary embodiment a companion processor system is provided which pairs a secure processor with a general processor. The secure processor can, for example, include a signal port, a power port and a ground port. The general processor is, in for example, operative to power up the secure processor by applying, directly or indirectly, at least one of power and ground to the power port and ground port, respectively of the secure processor when it wishes to communicate with the secure processor via the signal port. In another exemplary embodiment a method for providing secure transactions is disclosed includes: detecting an input with a general processor of the initiation of a desired transaction; powering up a secure processor under the direction of the general processor; and communicating between the general processor and the secure processor to provide at least one secure transaction.

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