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AMENDMENT

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Dear Examiner Smith:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed April 22, 2011. This
Amendment is timely because it is being submitted within the period for reply which
expires July 22, 2011. Please enter and consider the following:

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A system for two-way video communication with transmitting video to a person at an entrance, said system including:
- a first camera that records video of a first person;
 - a second camera that records video of a second person at an entrance;
 - a first transmitter that is in communication with said first camera and that receives the recorded video of said first person from said first camera, wherein said first transmitter transmits the recorded video of said first person;
 - a second transmitter that is in communication with said second camera and that receives the recorded video of said second person from said second camera, wherein said second transmitter transmits the recorded video of said second person;
 - a first receiver that receives the recorded video of said first person from said first transmitter; and
 - a second receiver that receives the recorded video of said second person from said second transmitter;
 - a first video display that is in communication with said first receiver and that receives the recorded video of said first person from said first receiver, wherein said first



video display displays the recorded video of said first person, wherein said first video display and said first receiver are located at said entrance, and said video display is viewable by a second person at and affixed to the external side of said entrance; and
a second video display that is in communication with said second receiver and that receives the recorded video of said second person from said second receiver, wherein said second video display displays the recorded video of said second person, wherein said second video display is viewable by said first person.

2. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 wherein said first camera may be disabled by said first person, wherein when said first camera is disabled by said first person, video of said first person is not recorded.

3. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1 further including:
a microphone that records audio of said first person, wherein said first transmitter is in communication with said microphone, wherein said first transmitter receives the recorded audio of said first person from said microphone, wherein said first transmitter transmits the recorded audio of said first person, wherein said first receiver receives the recorded audio of said first person from said first transmitter; and
a speaker that is in communication with said first receiver and that receives the recorded audio of said first person from said first receiver, wherein said speaker outputs

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the recorded audio of said first person, wherein said speaker is hearable by said second person at said entrance.

4. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 3 wherein said first camera may be disabled by said first person, wherein when said first camera is disabled by said first person video of said first person is not recorded, wherein said microphone may be disabled by said first person, wherein when said microphone is disabled by said first person, audio of said first person is not recorded.

5. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein said entrance is a door.

6. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 5 wherein said first camera and said first transmitter are connected to a cellular phone.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) The system of claim[[7]]1 further including a sensor that generates a signal when said entrance is closed, wherein said sensor is in communication with said second transmitter, wherein said second transmitter receives said signal from said sensor, wherein said second transmitter transmits said signal to said second receiver, wherein said second video display receives said signal from said second

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receiver, wherein said second video display shows a message to said first person notifying said first person that said entrance is closed.

9. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 8 wherein said first camera, said first transmitter, said second receiver, and said second video display are connected to a cellular phone.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Currently Amended) A method of two-way video communication with transmitting video to a person at an entrance, said method including:

- No
- first recording video of a first person;
 - second recording video of a second person at an entrance;
 - first transmitting the recorded video of said first person to ~~said an~~ entrance;
 - second transmitting the recorded video of said second person;
 - first receiving at said entrance the recorded video of said first person ~~at said~~ entrance; and
 - second receiving the recorded video of said second person that was second transmitted;

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first displaying the recorded video of said first person at said entrance, wherein the recorded video of said first person is viewed by a second person on a video display affixed to at the external side of said entrance; and

second displaying the received recorded video of said second person, wherein the recorded video of said second person is viewed by said first person.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~12-11~~ wherein said first recording video may be disabled by said first person, wherein when said first recording is disabled by said first person, video of said first person is not recorded.

14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13 wherein said first recording, said first transmitting, said second receiving, and said second displaying are ~~done performed~~ done performed on a cellular phone.

15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~12-11~~ further including establishing bi-directional audio communication between said first person and said a second person at said entrance, wherein said second person may disable the transmission of the audio of said second person.

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16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 15 wherein said first recording, said first transmitting, said second receiving, and said second displaying are done on a cellular phone.

Claim 17-28. (Canceled)

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REMARKS

The present application includes claims 1-28. Claims 1-28 were rejected by the Examiner. By this Amendment, claims 7, 10, 12, and 17-28 have been canceled, and claims 1-4, 6, 8, 9, 11, and 13-16 have been amended.

Claims 1-16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Wang, U.S. Patent App. No. US2009/0284600.

Claims 17-28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Wilson, U.S. Patent No. 7,907,753 in view of Bennett, U.S. Patent No. 7,349,682.

The Applicant now turns to the rejection of claims 1-16 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Wang. Wang teaches a door surveillance system with one-way video communication. As shown in FIGS. 1 and 2, the system includes a lens and camera that face the external side of a door or entrance, and a video display that faces the internal side of the door or entrance. With the system, a user on the internal side of the entrance may monitor a visitor on the external side of the entrance by viewing the video display on the internal side of the entrance (see Paragraph [0025]). Consequently, Wang teaches a door surveillance system with one-way video communication, in which a user may view a video display on the internal side of an entrance, to monitor a visitor located on the external side of an entrance. ✓

Wang does not teach a two-way video communication system, with a video display affixed to the external side of an entrance. As mentioned above, and as shown in FIGS. 1 and 2, the one-way video door surveillance system taught by Wang includes a video display located on the internal side of an entrance. However, Wang does not teach a video display affixed to the external side of an entrance, nor does it teach a second video display. Consequently, Wang does not teach a visitor located on the external side of an entrance viewing a video display affixed to the external side of an entrance, nor does it teach a second video display for two-way video communication.

As amended, claim 1 incorporates all of the limitations of canceled claim 7. Consequently, claim 1 recites two-way video communication including “a first camera,” “a second camera,” “a first video display,” and “a second video display.” Additionally, the first video display is “affixed to the external side of an entrance.” As mentioned above, Wang does not teach a video display affixed to the external side of an entrance, nor does it teach a second video display for two-way video communication. Consequently, claim 1 is respectfully submitted to be free of Wang and allowable.

Claims 2-4, 6, 8, and 9 have been amended simply to clarify antecedent basis in light of the current amendment to claim 1. Additionally, currently amended claims 2-4, 6, 8, and 9, and original claim 5, depend from claim 1 and thus include all the limitations of claim 1. Consequently claims 2-6, 8, and 9 are also respectfully submitted to be allowable.

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In a manner similar to that of claim 1, currently amended claim 11 incorporates all of the limitations of canceled claim 12. Consequently, claim 11 recites two-way video communication including “first recording,” “second recording,” “first displaying,” and “second displaying.” Additionally, the first displaying of video is viewed on a video display “affixed to the external side of said entrance.” As mentioned above, Wang does not teach a video display that is affixed to the external side of an entrance, nor does it teach a second displaying of video, allowing for two-way video communication. Consequently, claim 11 is respectfully submitted to be free of Wang and allowable.

Claims 13-16 have been amended simply to clarify antecedent basis in light of the current amendment to claim 11. Additionally, currently amended claims 13-16 depend from claim 11 and thus include all the limitations of claim 11. Consequently claims 13-16 are also respectfully submitted to be allowable.

The Applicant now turns to the rejection of Claims 17-28 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Wilson, U.S. Patent No. 7,907,753 in view of Bennett, U.S. Patent No. 7,349,682. Claims 17-28 have been canceled. Consequently, the application is respectfully submitted to be free of the §103(a) rejection of claims 17-28 over Wilson in view of Bennett.

In light of the aforementioned amendments and discussion, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance.

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CONCLUSION

If the Examiner has any questions or the Applicant can be of any assistance, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact the Applicant at the number below.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fees or credit any overpayment to the Deposit Account of Pat, Ent, & Win, Account No. 00-1337.

Respectfully submitted,

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