## **On Patent Trolls and Other Patent Myths**

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Fear of the unknown fueled by the human imagination has spawned legends and myths that make up the folklore of nations. So, too, does the folklore of the modern corporation have its myths. Few images are more frightening than an injunction-threatening, damages demanding patent holder. The arcane and oft misunderstood world of intellectual property casts expressionistic shadows on ravages of patent enforcement.

Many myths have been told in the patent wonderland. Today, corporate fathers read their children scary stories before kissing th

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How does this myth affect the notion of the patent troll? A patent troll is someone

"paper" patents may be worth a whole lot more than some "practiced" patents, which are not worth the paper they are printed on.

As previously noted, the accepted definition of a p