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The Patent Trial and Appeal Board did not err when it concluded that the claims of a patent relating to the use of descriptive text combined with a rollover viewing area in the user interface of an Internet search engine were unpatentable as obvious in light of prior art, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit has held. The patent—owned by inventor Michael Meiresonne—was the subject of inter partes review instituted at the request of Google, Inc. (Meiresonne v. Google, Inc., March 7, 2017, Moore, K.).

A full summary of this case has been published on Kluwer IP Law