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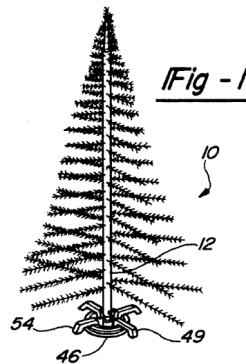
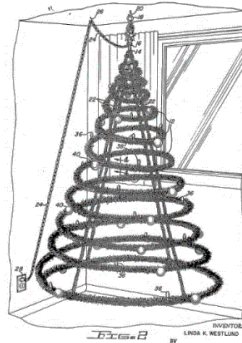
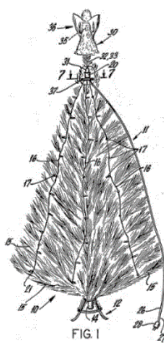


“Tip of the Month”

Oh, Christmas Tree! Oh, Christmas Tree! How Lovely Are Your ... Patents!?

Christmas has become more commercial every year, but it has also become a fount of new technology and innovation. If you have ever read a patent though, you know that the language employed is not for the faint of heart. This Holiday Season, see if you can match up some of the holiday innovations that have occurred over the years with their patent claim counterparts:

1. United States Patent 3,723,723 was granted to C. Lerner for an “a plurality of strings of lamps permanently connected to each other in parallel circuit.”
2. United States Patent 3,677,867 was granted to Linda K. Westlund for “a resilient spring-like conically shaped spiral frame having a plurality of convolutions adapted to be collapsed into a generally flat spiral configuration, and including a central apex portion.”
3. United States Patent 5,848,493 was granted to Ekkehart Gasper for “a container assembly including a container and a saucer, the container defining an aperture at an upper end, the saucer disposed at a bottom of the container and extending from an axis of the container beyond a periphery of the container.”
4. United States Patent 5,652,032 was granted to Sheila Kaczor, et al., for an “a sleeve concentric with [a] central pole and slidable along said central pole between an upper and lower position.”



If you are having trouble discerning the meaning of a patent, why not ask the experts? Give our office a call at 603-668-1971 or contact us by e-mail at mailbox@biz-patlaw.com and let’s keep the puzzles fun this holiday season.

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