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Tom Franklin is interviewed in this article regarding the America Invents Act that ushered in a number of changes to U.S. patent law, among them a prioritized examination system that allows inventors to file claims for guaranteed review within one year of filing. Imagine you're stuck in an epic traffic jam, the kind that would make the evening news. You might be okay stuck for hours because you're not in a rush, or you might be in the type of rush that makes the wait an emergency. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has had an epic traffic jam for years. Some estimate the backlog of patents is 300,000 applications deep with a three-year wait. Yet there's hope. The patent office has opened a lane of traffic for those willing to pay.