

## Re: NSA chooses ECC

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"Paul Rubin" <[http://phr.cx@NOSPAM.invalid](mailto:http://phr.cx@NOSPAM.invalid)> wrote  
> *Courts are also upholding far more patents than before.*  
> <http://www.booknoise.net/johnseabrook/stories/technology/flash/>

That article is a little dated. The Federal Circuit court is dominated by judges with no patent background, and they are not really as pro-patent as a lot of people think. They regularly knock out patents for silly reasons, and reinterpret patents to have narrow scope. They also uphold silly patents. I don't really agree that the Federal Circuit has brought fairness and logic to the system. It was supposed to make patent enforcement more consistent, but I don't think it has because it thinks that it should be setting patent policy, and it keeps changing the rules.