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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A method for processing media files includes receiving a first signature. The first signature describes a first characteristic of a first media file. The method also includes determining whether the first signature matches any of a first plurality of stored signatures and, in response to determining that the first signature matches one or more of the first plurality of stored signatures, requesting a second signature based on the first media file. The second signature describes a second characteristic of the first media file. The method also includes determining whether the second signature matches any of a second plurality of stored signatures and, in response to determining that the second signature matches one or more of the second plurality of stored signatures, initiating a remedial action associated with the first media file.
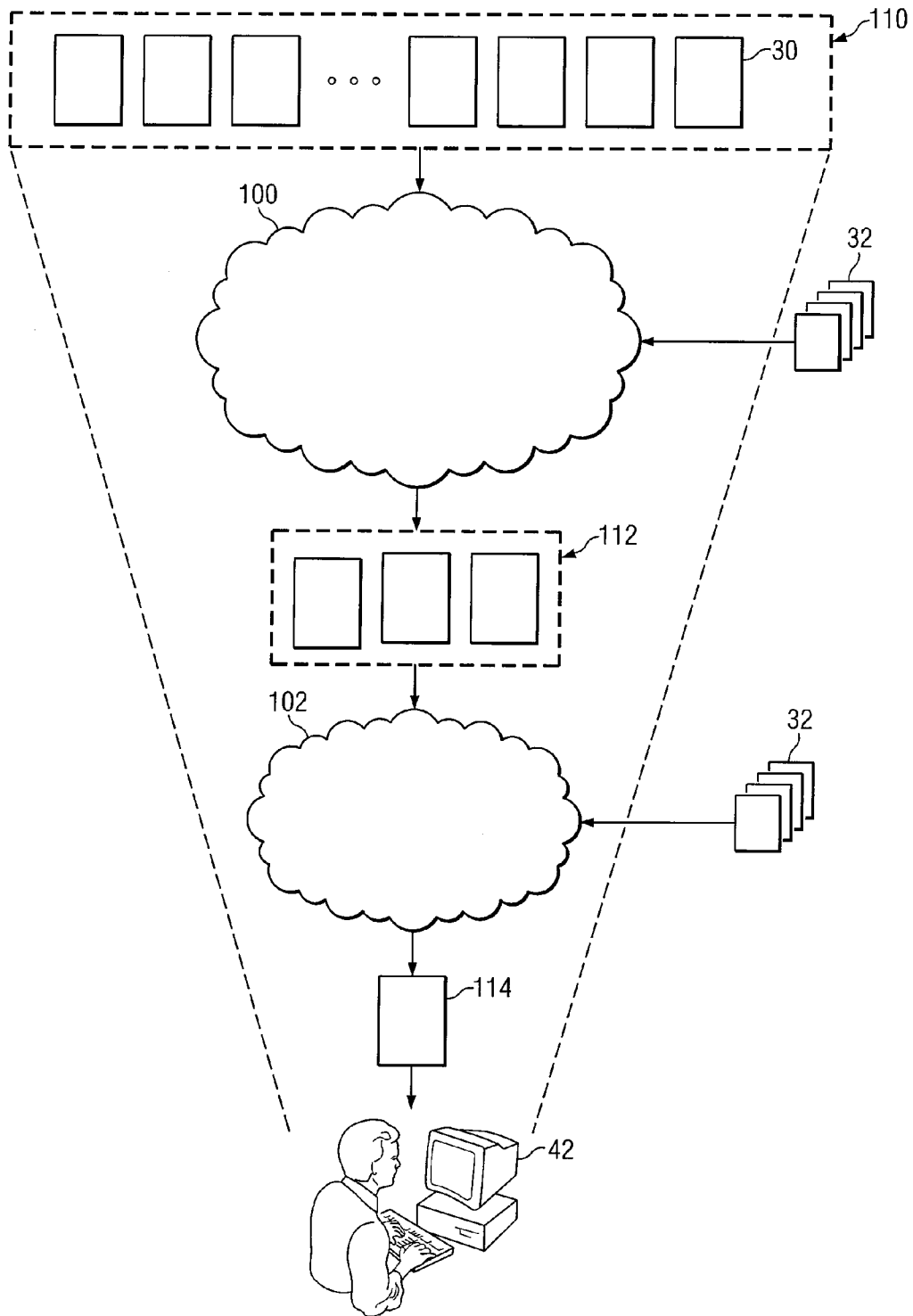
FIG. 1
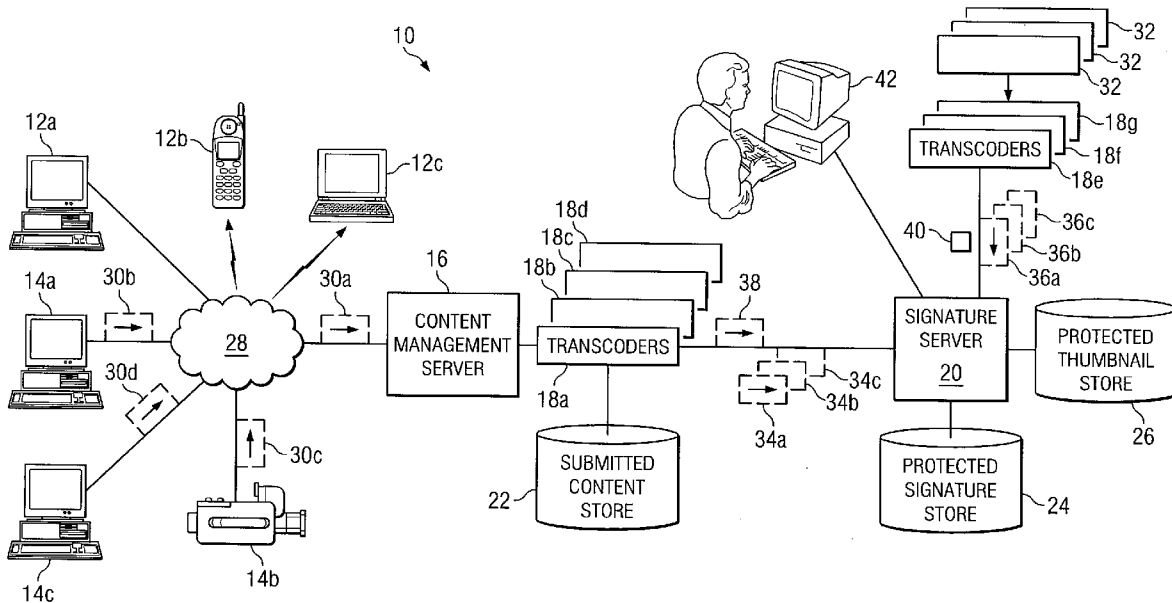
FIG. 2

FIG. 3

FIG. 4

FIG. 5

DOCKET ALARM
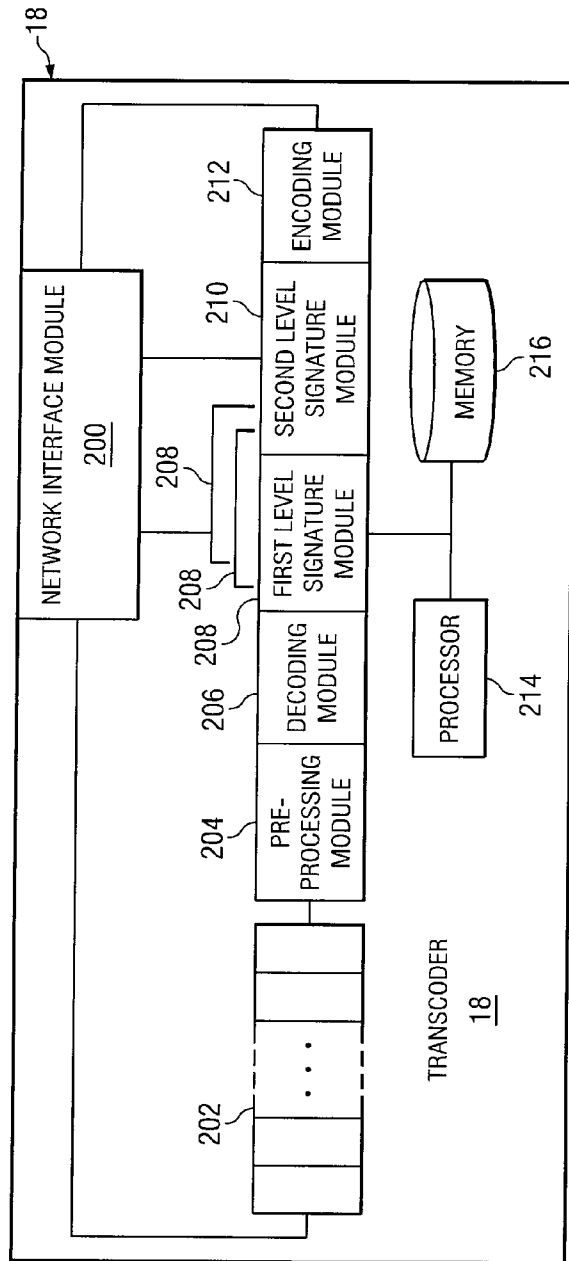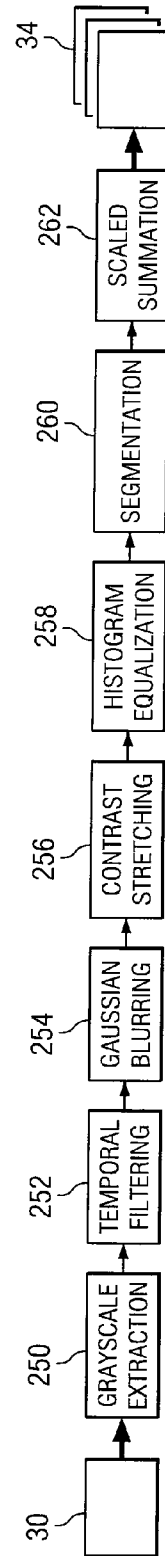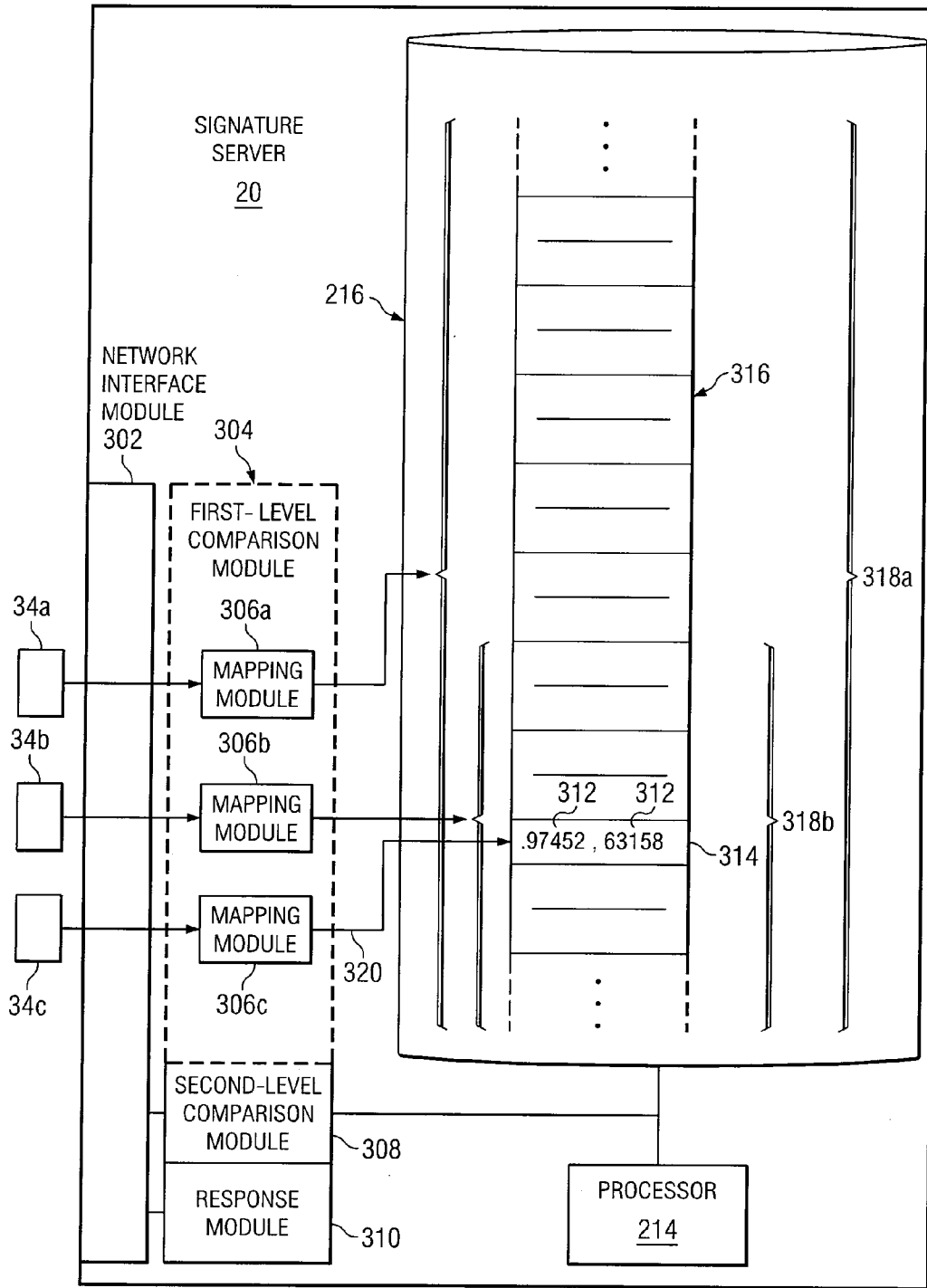
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