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[54] PERSONAL COMMUNICATOR APPARATUS

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[57] ABSTRACT

A personal communication apparatus includes a digital processor, a memory coupled to the processor, an operating system, stored in the memory and executable by the processor, a touch-screen user interface coupled to the processor and the memory and responsive to file execution commands from the user, and a navigation utility file, executable by the processor, for initiating execution of files and for monitoring the sequence in which file executions occur. The Navigation utility maintains a stack in the memory into which the calling sequences of files are stored according to the order in which files were executed. In one embodiment, the apparatus further comprises a modem and RF transceiver coupled to the processor for receiving and transmitting data. In another embodiment, the communicator further includes a port for receiving an external memory medium containing a plurality of executable files.

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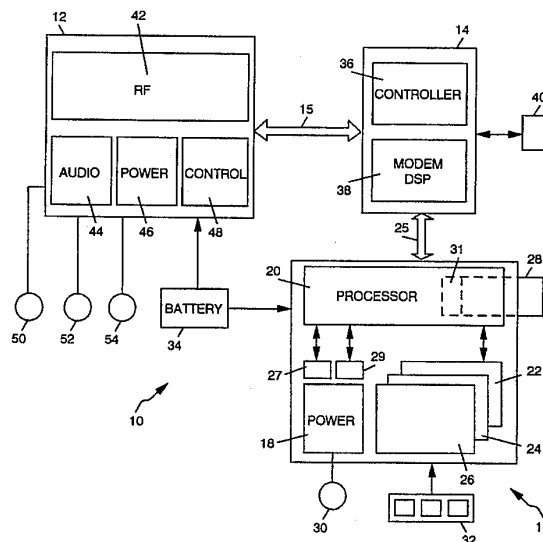
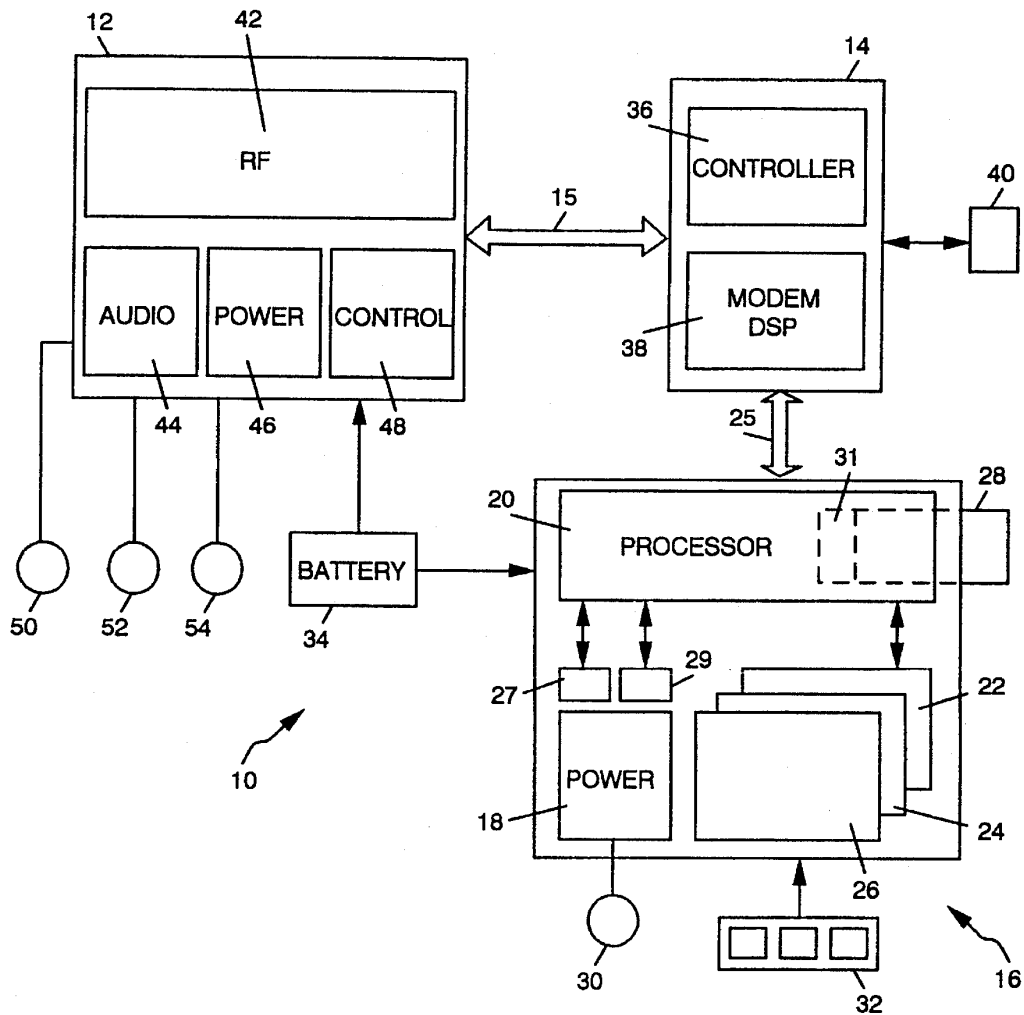


FIG. 1



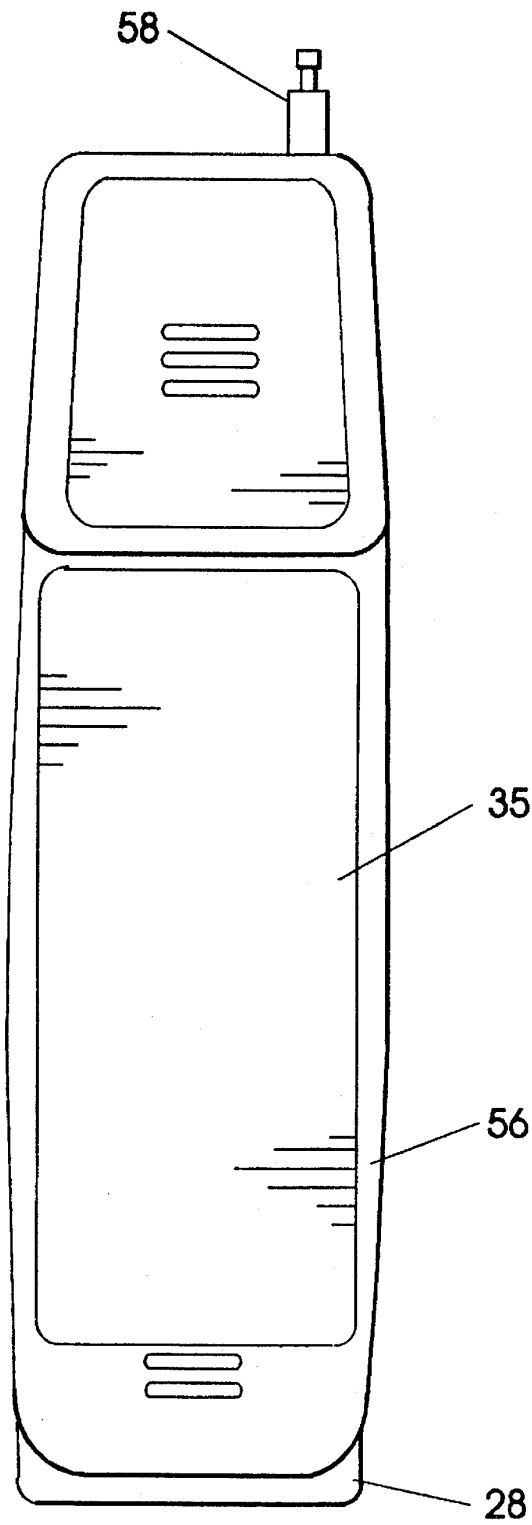
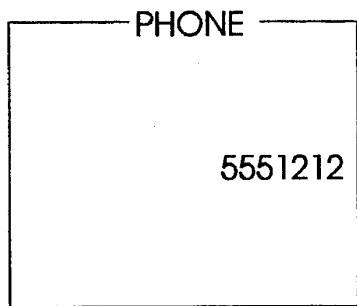


FIG. 2

FIG. 3A



BATTERY SIGNAL

PHONE OFF

PANIC

1	ABC 2	DEF 3
GHI 4	JKL 5	MNO 6
PRS 7	TUV 8	WXY 9
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DIAL	QUICK DIAL
	CLR

HELP	PHONE	TOOLS	BACK
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FIG. 3E

CALCULATOR

3.85714

7	8	9
4	5	6
1	2	3
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FIG. 3B

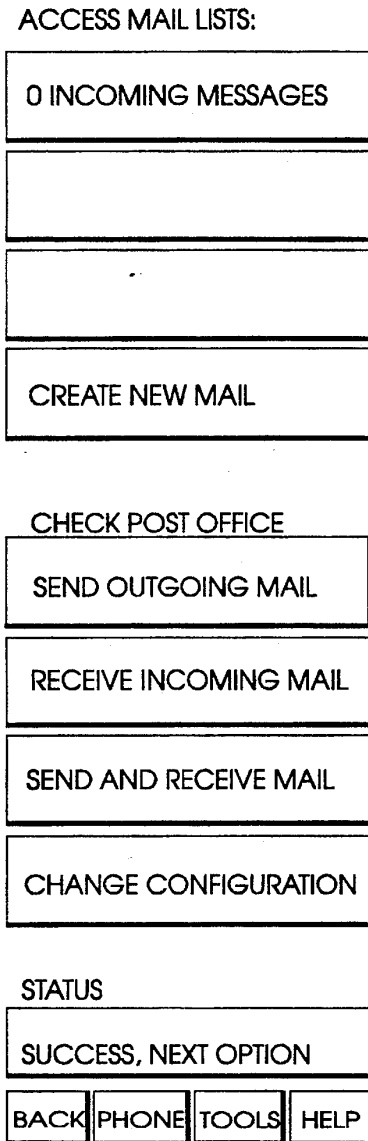
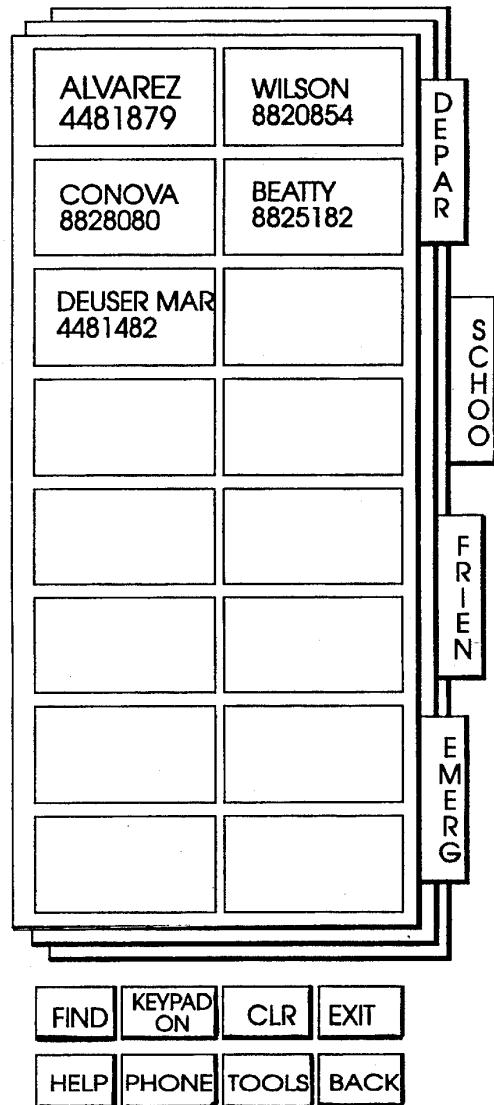


FIG. 3C



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