

Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously presented) An article for managing communication of a user, in view of a person trying to electronically convey a message to a device of the user without the need to know contact information of the device of the user, the article comprising:

a non-transitory computer readable storage medium comprising a plurality of instructions, when executed by a server, result in the server:

receiving the message from a device of the person;

identifying an identity of the person trying to electronically convey the message;

determining whether the user is available to receive the message;

sending information to the device of the person as to the availability of the user to receive the message; and

setting a process to electronically convey the message from the device of the person to the device of the user through the contact information of the device of the user, using one or more rules, based on at least a current status associated with the user, a preference of the user, and an access priority associated with the person,

wherein even when the process involves transmitting the message to the device of the user through the contact information of the device of the user, the contact information of the device of the user is not provided to the device of the person to prevent the person from contacting the device of the user through the contact information, without via the server.

2. (Previously presented) An article as recited in claim 1, wherein the message is conveyed from the device of the person based on Internet protocol,

wherein the process allows the user to receive the message via an access identifier of the user,

wherein the process allows the message to be conveyed from the device of the person via a set of modes of communication,

wherein the set of modes of communication includes at least instant message and voice call, and

wherein the user has different access identifiers for at least two of the modes in the set of modes.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Previously presented) An article as recited in claim 1, wherein the process includes presenting at the device of the user, the identity of the person.

5. (Original) An article as recited in claim 1 wherein the process includes determining a reply to the message in view of the current status of the user.

6. (Currently amended) An article for managing communication via a portal based on world wide web, of a user, in view of a person trying to electronically deliver and present a message to a device of the user, the article comprising:

a non-transitory computer readable storage medium comprising a plurality of instructions, when executed by a server, result in the server:

receiving, via the portal, the a message with an identifier of a user,
from a device of the a person trying to electronically deliver and present the message to the user;

identifying an identity of the person trying to electronically deliver and present the message;

determining information regarding the availability of the user to receive the message;

sending to the device of the person, the information regarding the availability of the user to receive the message;

storing an access priority, associated with the person, as identified, in a database associated with the server, wherein information regarding the access priority, associated with the person, from the device of the user; and

setting a process based on Internet protocol to electronically deliver and present the message from the device of the person to the device of the user, via the portal, through contact information of the device of the user, using one or more rules, based on at least an the access priority associated with the person retrieved from the database associated with the server,

wherein even when the process involves delivering and presenting the message to the device of the user through the contact information of the device of the user, the contact information of the device of the user is not provided to the device of the person, and the message is delivered from the device of the person at least based on Internet protocol,

wherein the process allows the message to be delivered from the device of the person to the device of the user via a selected mode of communication from a plurality of different modes of communication, all using the identifier of the user, at least in view of the process being based on Internet protocol, and

wherein the plurality of different modes of communication include at least text message and voice call.

7. (Previously presented) An article as recited in claim 6, wherein the message from the device of the person is a text message.

8. (Previously presented) An article as recited in claim 6, wherein the contact information of the device of the user is a phone number of the user.

9. (Previously presented) An article as recited in claim 6, wherein the process to electronically deliver and present the message from the device of the person to the device of the user is also based on a previously-established communication preference.

10. (Previously presented) An article as recited in claim 6, wherein the process to electronically deliver and present the message from the device of the person to the device of the user is also based on an activity of the user.

11. (Previously presented) An article as recited in claim 6,
wherein the message is received from the device of the person via a contact information of the device of the person, and
wherein even when the process involves delivering and presenting the message to the device of the user, the contact information of the device of the person is not provided to the device of the user.

12. (Previously presented) An article as recited in claim 6, wherein the device of the person is configured to operate at least as a mobile phone.

13. (Previously presented) An article as recited in claim 6, wherein the process is also based on an activity of the user and a time.

14. (Previously presented) An article as recited in claim 6, wherein the process is also based on an activity of the user and a period of time.

15. (Previously presented) An article as recited in claim 14, wherein the process includes not presenting the message based on the period of time.

16. (Previously presented) An article as recited in claim 6,
wherein the message is received from the device of the person via a contact information of the device of the person,
wherein even when the process involves delivering and presenting the received message to the device of the user, the contact information of the device of the person is not provided to the device of the user,
wherein the device of the person is configured to operate at least as a mobile phone, and
wherein the process is also based on a period of time.

17. (Previously presented) An article as recited in claim 16, wherein the process includes not presenting the message based on the period of time.

18. (Currently amended) A server for managing communication via a portal based on world wide web, of a user, in view of a person trying to electronically deliver and present a message to a device of the user, the server comprising:

at least one computing device; and

at least one storage device storing instructions that, when executed by the at least one computing device, cause the at least one computing device to:

receive, via the portal, the a message with an identifier of a user, from a device of the a person trying to electronically deliver and present the message to the user;

identify the person;

determine availability of the user to receive the message;

send to the device of the person, information regarding the availability of the user to receive the message;

storing information, regarding whether the person, as identified, is blocked from accessing the user, in a database associated with the server, wherein the information, regarding whether the person is blocked from accessing the user, from the device of the user; and

set a process based on Internet protocol to electronically deliver and present the received message from the device of the person to the device of the user, via the portal, through contact information of the device of the user, using one or more rules, based on at least the information regarding whether the person is blocked from accessing the user, retrieved from the database associated with the server as predetermined by the user,

wherein even when the process involves delivering and presenting the message to the device of the user through the contact information of the device of the user, the contact information of the device of the user is not provided to the device of the person, ~~and the message is delivered from the device of the person at least based on Internet protocol,~~

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