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#### [54] ANTI-PIRACY SYSTEM FOR WIRELESS TELEPHONY

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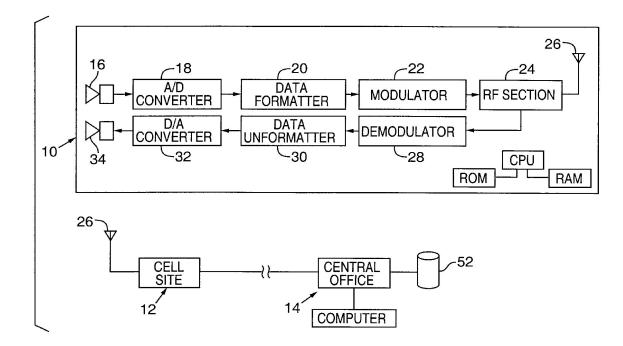
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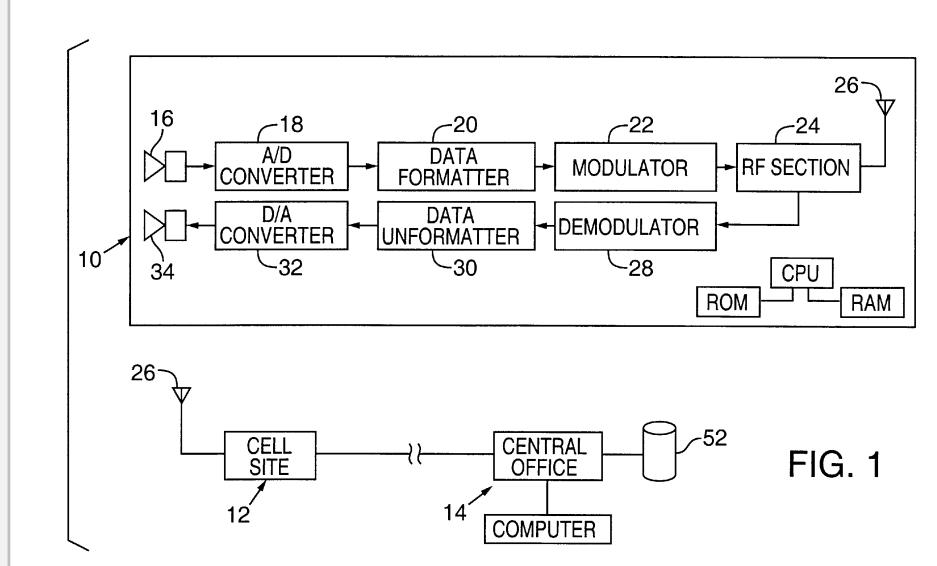
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### [57] ABSTRACT

A method and system are described for reducing the theft of wireless telephony services, such as cellular systems and PCS systems, altering voice data to steganographically embed verification data therein. The verification data comprises a plurality of symbols which are steganographically detected at the carrier facility to confirm authorized use of the wireless device.

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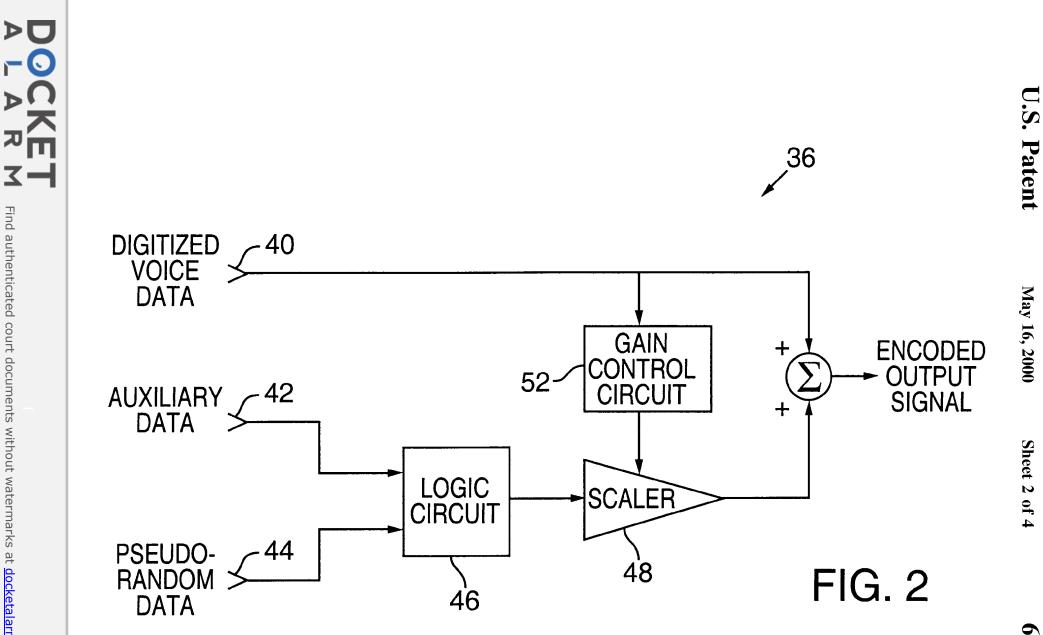


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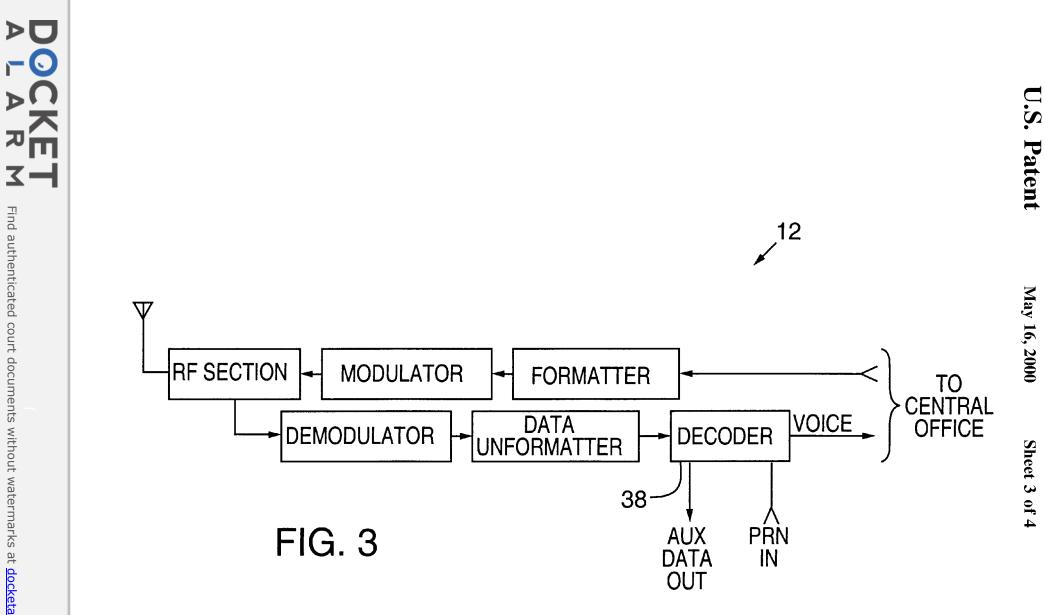
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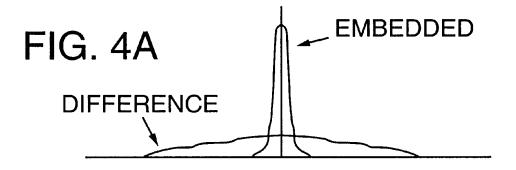
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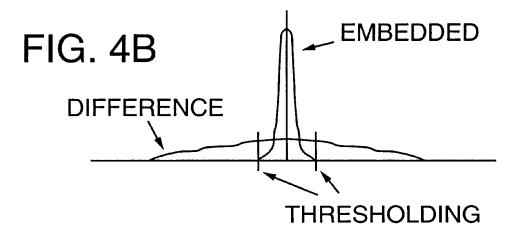
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