SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING CODE SIGNING SERVICES

ABSTRACT

A system and method for providing code signing services to software application developers or to other individuals or entities that wish to have applications digitally signed. Signing of the applications may be required in order to enable the applications to access sensitive APIs and associated resources of a computing device when the applications are executed on the computing device. In one embodiment, a method of providing code signing services will comprise at least some steps relating to registering the entities that seek access to sensitive APIs as controlled by the code signing authority. These steps are performed in order to establish trust relationships with those entities. The method of providing code signing services will also comprise additional steps relating to receiving and processing the code signing requests from such entities.

Fig. 7A