A CONTENT-INDEXING SEARCH AND METHOD PROVIDING SEARCH RESULTS CONSISTENT WITH CONTENT FILTERING AND BLOCKING POLICIES IMPLEMENTED IN A BLOCKING ENGINE

ABSTRACT

A content-indexing search system (100) and method provides search results consistent with content filtering and blocking policies. The search system (100) comprises a content-indexing search engine (130,135) including a database (131,136) coupled to an information network (106,107). A user provides search queries to the search engine (116) through a gateway (124) serving as a proxy server and cache and blocking engine. The blocking engine implements content filtering and blocking policies with respect to the search results. Alternative embodiments provide consistency between the results of the user content searches and the content filtering/blocking policies. One embodiment modifies the search engine (116) to implement the same content blocking policy as the caching and filtering engine. Another embodiment modifies the search engine (116) to build an indexing database by searching the caching and engine content.

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