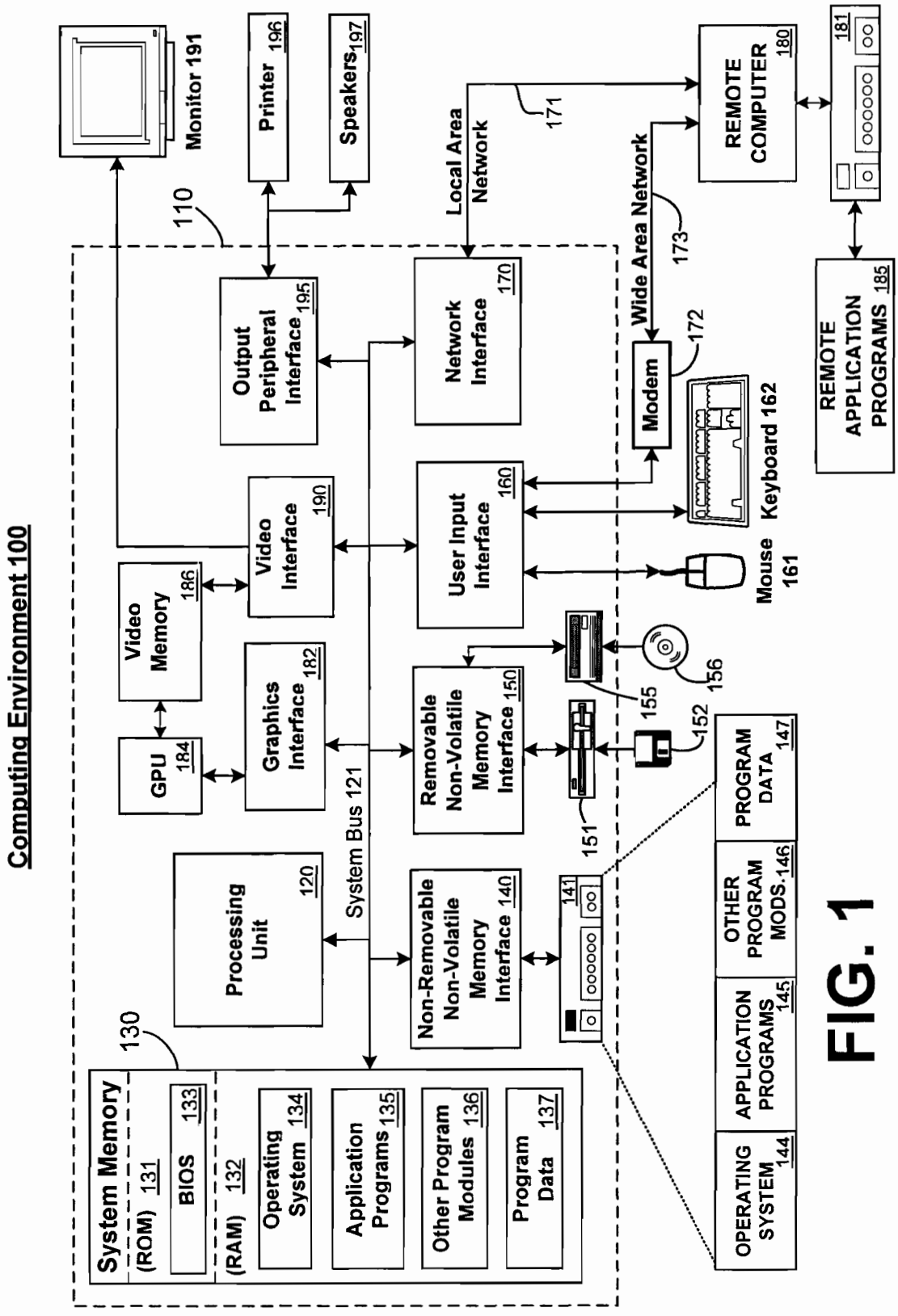

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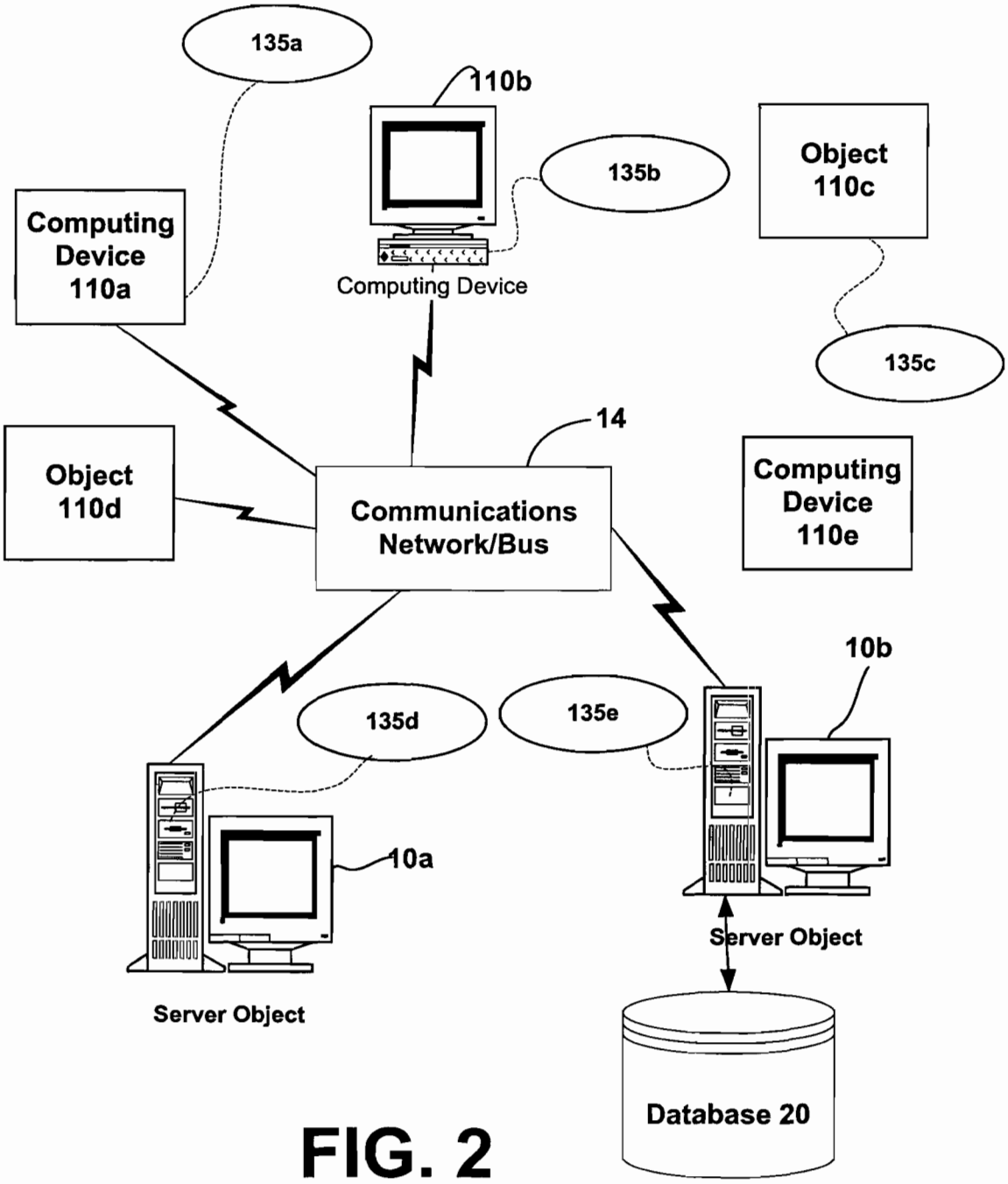

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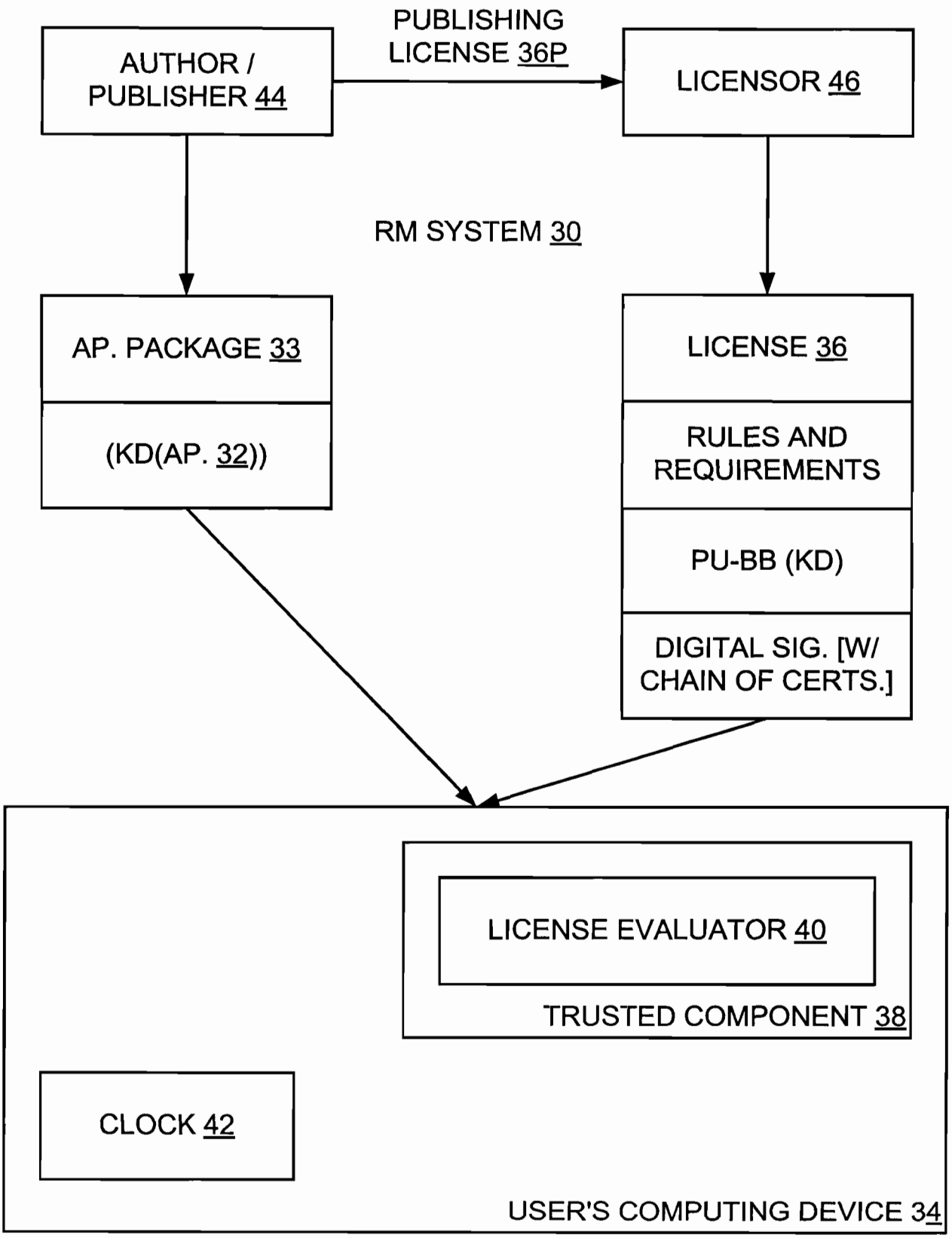

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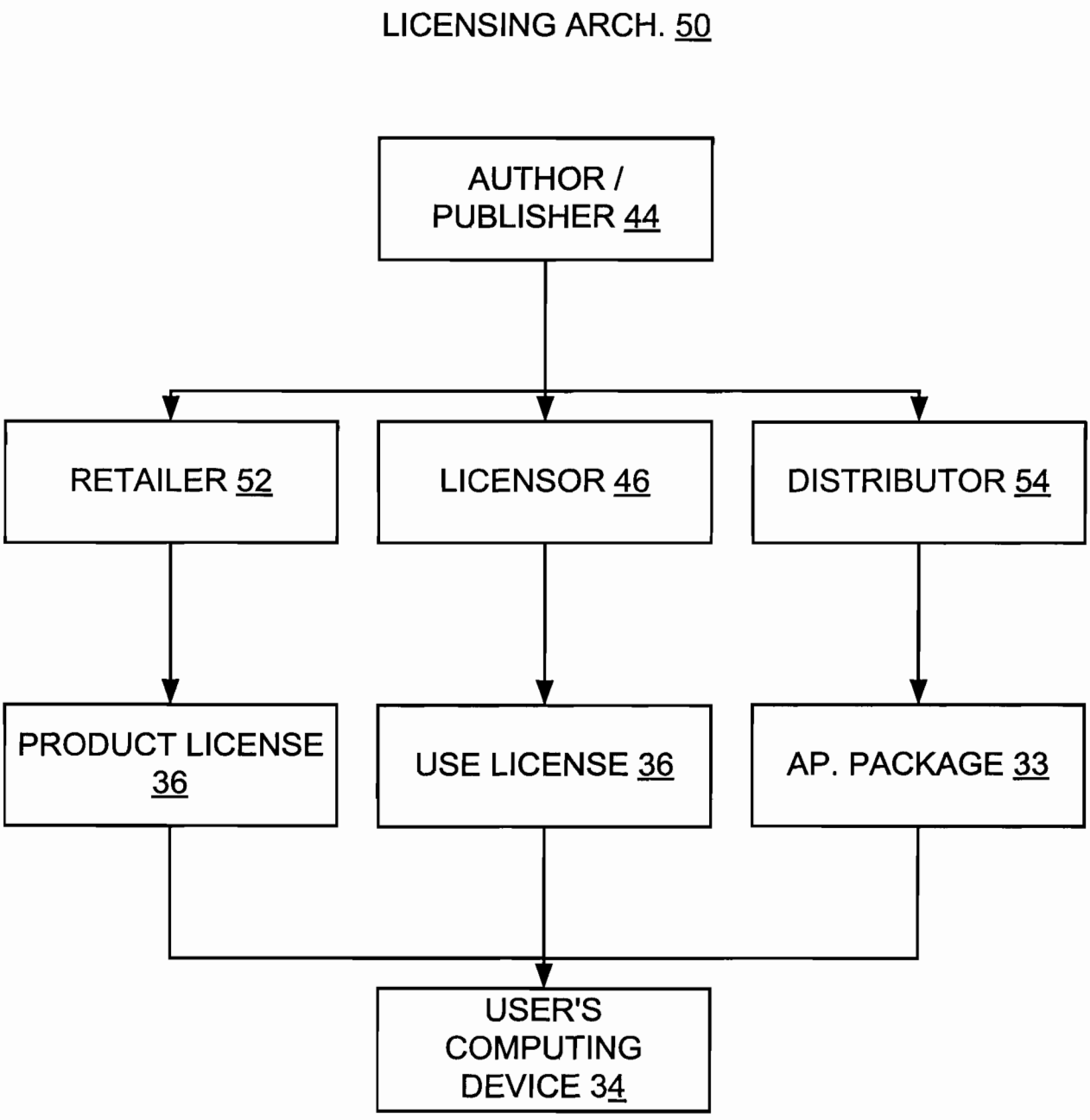

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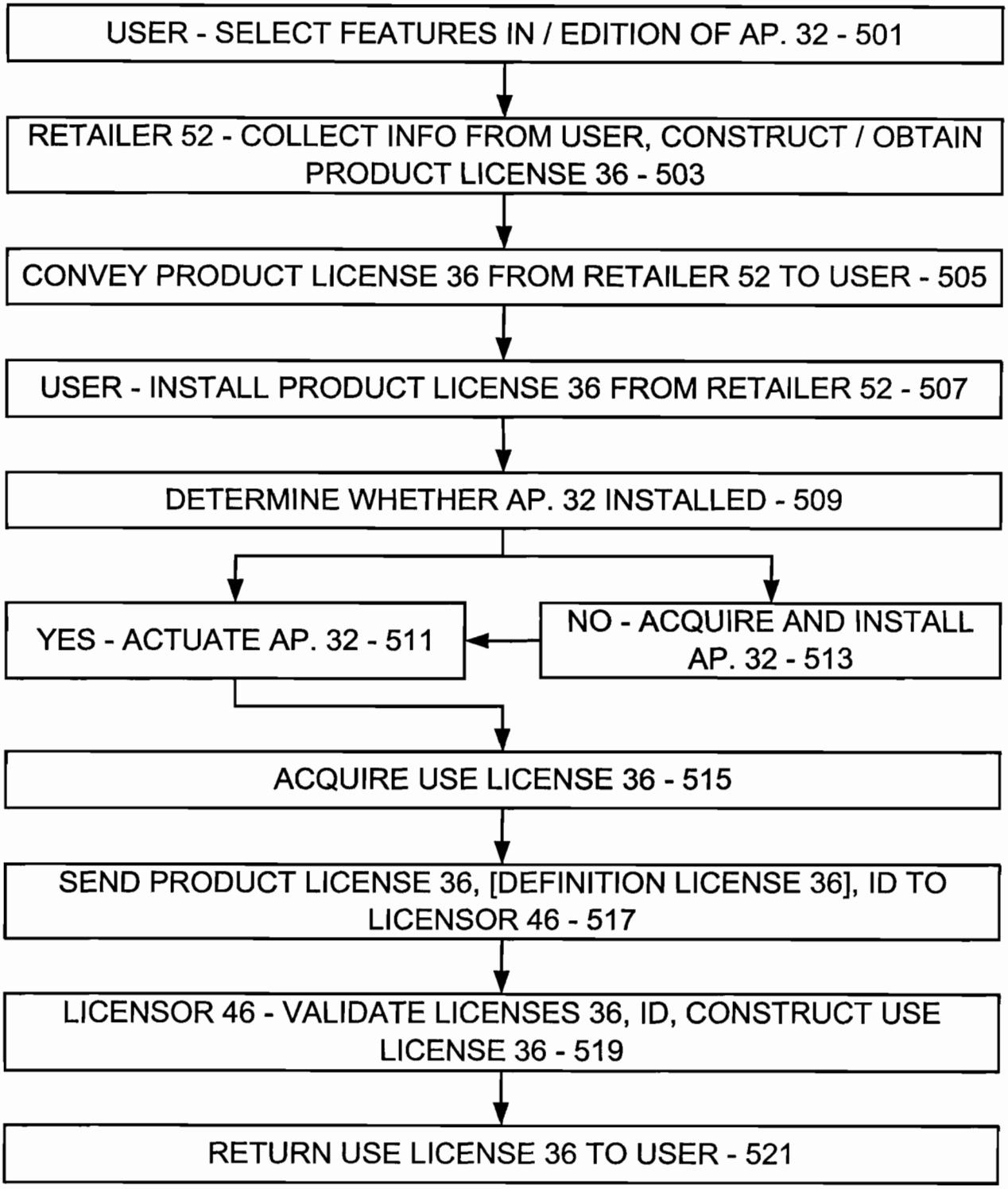

USER - SELECT FEATURES IN / EDITION OF AP. 32 - 501
RETAILER 52 - COLLECT INFO FROM USER, CONSTRUCT / OBTAIN PRODUCT LICENSE 36 - 503
CONVEY PRODUCT LICENSE 36 FROM RETAILER 52 TO USER - 505
USER - INSTALL PRODUCT LICENSE 36 FROM RETAILER 52 - 507
DETERMINE WHETHER AP. 32 INSTALLED - 509
YES - ACTUATE AP. 32 - 511
NO - ACQUIRE AND INSTALL AP. 32 - 513
ACQUIRE USE LICENSE 36 - 515
SEND PRODUCT LICENSE 36, [DEFINITION LICENSE 36], ID TO LICENSOR 46 - 517
LICENSOR 46 - VALIDATE LICENSES 36, ID, CONSTRUCT USE LICENSE 36 - 519
RETURN USE LICENSE 36 TO USER - 521

Fig. 5

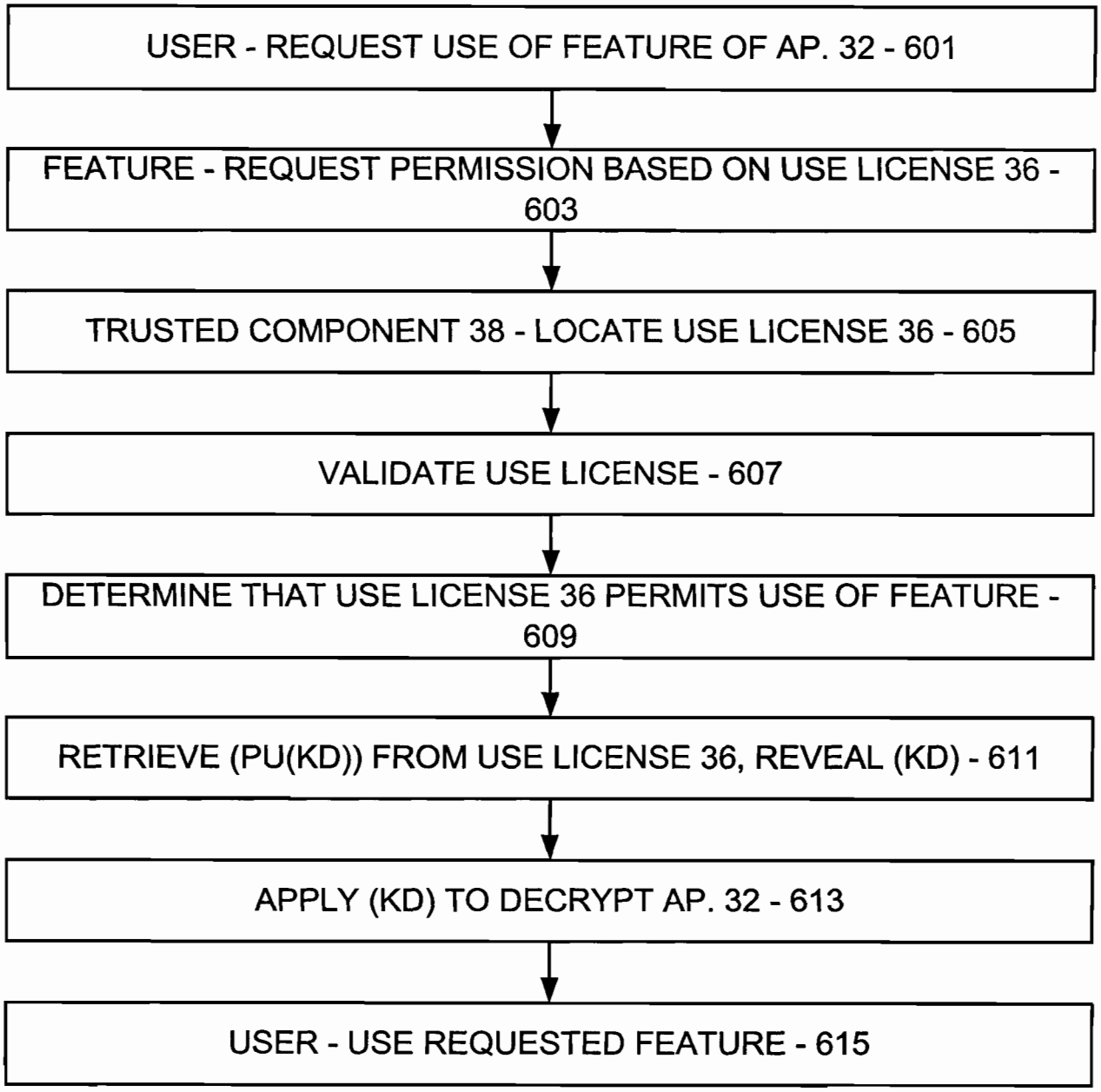

USER - REQUEST USE OF FEATURE OF AP. 32 - 601
FEATURE - REQUEST PERMISSION BASED ON USE LICENSE 36 - 603
TRUSTED COMPONENT 38 - LOCATE USE LICENSE 36 - 605
VALIDATE USE LICENSE - 607
DETERMINE THAT USE LICENSE 36 PERMITS USE OF FEATURE - 609
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APPLY (KD) TO DECRYPT AP. 32 - 613
USER - USE REQUESTED FEATURE - 615

Fig. 6

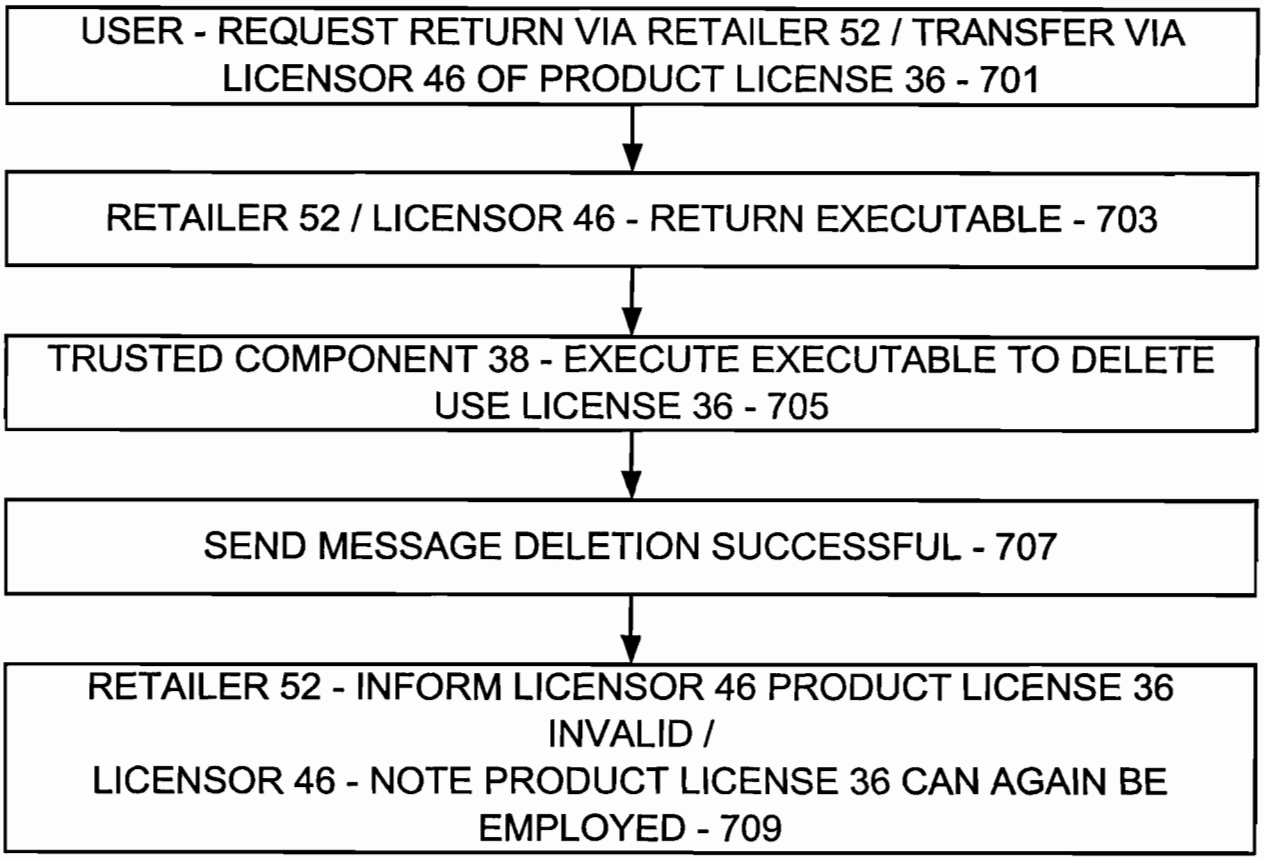

USER - REQUEST RETURN VIA RETAILER 52 / TRANSFER VIA LICENSOR 46 OF PRODUCT LICENSE 36 - 701
RETAILER 52 / LICENSOR 46 - RETURN EXECUTABLE - 703
TRUSTED COMPONENT 38 - EXECUTE EXECUTABLE TO DELETE USE LICENSE 36 - 705
SEND MESSAGE DELETION SUCCESSFUL - 707
RETAILER 52 - INFORM LICENSOR 46 PRODUCT LICENSE 36 INVALID /
LICENSOR 46 - NOTE PRODUCT LICENSE 36 CAN AGAIN BE EMPLOYED - 709

Fig. 7