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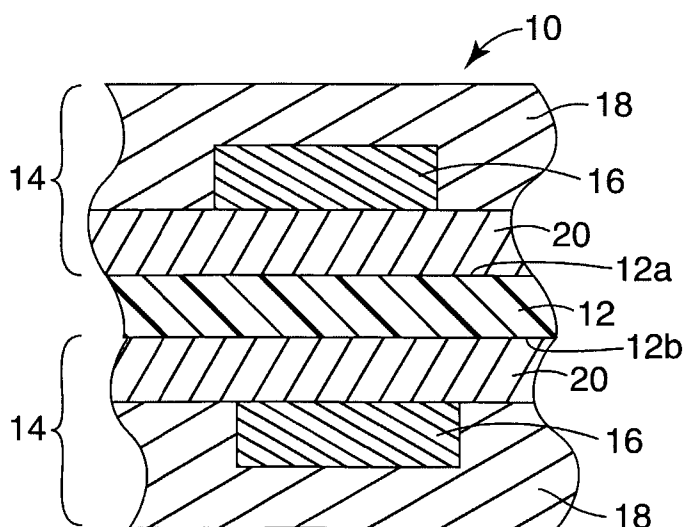
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(57) Abstract: A protected polymeric film comprises a polymeric film substrate having a first major surface and a second major surface opposite the first major surface, and a protective structure provided on at least the first major surface of the substrate, wherein the protective structure comprises a layer of boron oxide and an inorganic barrier layer. A protective structure may also be provided on the second major surface of the substrate. Organic electronic components may be formed on or attached to the protected polymeric films.

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