

munication devices other than those specifically shown and described herein would not depart from the scope and intent of the present invention.

[0035] It is believed that the present invention and many of its attendant advantages will be understood by the foregoing description, and it will be apparent that various changes may be made in the form, construction and arrangement of the components thereof without departing from the scope and spirit of the invention or without sacrificing all of its material advantages. The form herein before described being merely an explanatory embodiment thereof, it is the intention of the following claims to encompass and include such changes.

What is claimed is:

1. A mobile communication device, comprising:
 - an electrical power source for generating an electrical signal; and
 - an electrode assembly coupled to the electrical power source for communicating the electrical signal to the body of a user of the mobile communication device,
 wherein the electrical signal provides an electrical stimulation to the body of the user when communicated to the body by the electrode assembly for silently alerting the user that information has been received by the mobile communication device.
2. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a controller for controlling communication of the electrical signal to the body of the user.
3. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 2, wherein the controller controls at least one of the voltage of the electrical signal, the current of the electrical signal, the amplitude of the electrical signal, the frequency of the electrical signal, the point on the body where the electrical signal is applied, and the form of the electrical signal.
4. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the electrode assembly comprises at least a first electrode and a second electrode, the electrical signal being passed through the body between the first electrode and the second electrode.
5. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the electrode assembly comprises at least a first electrode, a second electrode and a third electrode, the electrical signal being passed through the body of the user between at least two of the first electrode, the second electrode, and the third electrode for varying the form of the electrical signal to provide a distinguishing characteristic associated with the information received by the communication device.
6. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the information received by the communication device comprises at least one of a telephone call, a text message, a voice message, and a page.
7. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the electrode assembly comprises at least two electrodes galvanically coupled to the body of the user.
8. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the electrode assembly comprises at least two electrodes capacitively coupled to the body of the user through a thin insulator.
9. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a housing for containing the electrical power source and a band assembly coupled to the housing

for securing the housing to the user, wherein the electrode assembly comprises an electrode disposed in at least one of the housing and the band assembly.

10. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a housing for containing the electrical power source and a hanging assembly coupled to the housing for hanging the housing about the user, wherein the electrode assembly comprises an electrode disposed in at least one of the housing and the hanging assembly.

11. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a housing for containing the electrical power source and a clip assembly coupled to the housing for attaching the housing to an item worn by the user, wherein the electrode assembly comprises an electrode disposed in the clip assembly.

12. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the electrical signal may further provide an electrical stimulation to the body of the user when communicated to the body by the electrode assembly for silently alerting the user that information is being provided by the mobile communication device.

13. A mobile communication device, comprising:
 - a housing;
 - a band assembly coupled to the housing for attaching the housing to the user;
 - an electrical power source contained within the housing for generating an electrical signal;
 - an electrode assembly coupled to the electrical power source for communicating the electrical signal to the body of a user of the mobile communication device;
 - a controller for controlling communication of the electrical signal to the body of the user, wherein the controller controls communication of the electrical signal to provide an electrical stimulation to the body of the user for silently alerting the user that information has been received by the mobile communication device.
14. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 13, wherein the controller controls at least one of the voltage of the electrical signal, the current of the electrical signal, the amplitude of the electrical signal, the frequency of the electrical signal, the point on the body where the electrical signal is applied, and the form of the electrical signal.
15. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 13, wherein the electrode assembly comprises at least a first electrode and a second electrode disposed on the housing adjacent to the body of the user, the electrical signal being passed through the body between the first electrode and the second electrode.
16. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 13, wherein the electrode assembly comprises at least a first electrode, a second electrode and a third electrode, the electrical signal being passed through the body of the user between at least two of the first electrode, the second electrode, and the third electrode for varying the form of the electrical signal to provide a distinguishing characteristic associated with the information received by the mobile communication device.
17. The mobile communication device as claimed in claim 13, wherein the information received by the mobile communication device comprises at least one of a telephone call, a text message, a voice message, and a page.