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Advance Now releases the Inventor's Project Manager and the Entrepreneur's Office Manager: two free AI bots for Grok

The Inventor's Project Manager takes an idea to a product that sells, through molding, quality and manufacturing. The Entrepreneur's Office Manager runs a small business, whatever it sells. Each one starts from a short message pasted into a Grok bot.

Advance Now LLC has released two free AI bots for inventors and entrepreneurs, the first products of the A.N. Creation Office (https://ancreationoffice.com), which gives away eight free bots for running a small business. A user picks the one that fits the job in front of them, or both, makes a new bot in Grok, and pastes a short message from the website. The bot starts setting itself up and asks one question at a time, helps set up a private place to save the work, then asks what the user is working on.

The Inventor's Project Manager (the Project Manager Bot in Grok) takes an idea for a product from the first conversation toward launch. When the product needs work in the plant, it brings that in too: a molding defect, a plastic part review, a control plan, a like-for-like comparison of supplier quotes. The Entrepreneur's Office Manager (the Office Manager Bot) runs the business, with or without an invention: a one-page plan and pricing, customers and invoices, money each month, a compliance calendar of licenses, reports and taxes, the company, funding, and the packets for meetings with lenders, investors, accountants and attorneys. For an inventor it also handles patent preparation, licensing and getting into stores.

The bots were built by Mike Maier, founder of Advance Now, who has spent more than 30 years in engineering and manufacturing: developing products, running injection molding plants, building automated lines and setting up quality systems, much of it with first-time inventors and small companies.

"As AI gets better, a lot of traditional jobs are going to go away, and a lot more people are going to explore their entrepreneurial edge and try to build their own things," Maier said. "We want to help with that."

Built like a plant, not a chatbot

Both bots work from written procedures, check sheets and templates (more than 100 in all), drawn from Maier's practice and from published sources. They keep the facts a user supplies apart from their own estimates and unknowns, write down decisions and next steps, and save the work to a private folder the user chooses, such as their own Google Drive or OneDrive, checking each save. Their instructions tell them never to act without the user's yes for that one item: sending and posting can follow a yes, and signing, paying, filing and ordering stay in the user's own hands: they prepare the work, and the user decides.

"The point is to bring the risks up early, while you still have time to deal with them, before they turn into a crisis," Maier said.

Eight bots, each an experiment

The office has six more bots, each with its own page: the Freelancer's Business Developer, the Small Business's Government Desk, the Provider's Program Starter, the Household's Benefits Desk, the Voter's Congress Watch and the Citizen's Federal Reporter. The government bots read official sources only; they aren't a government service and have no say in any decision. Every bot is marked Experiment: new and still being tried, so users check

its work. Test runs are written up, and what broke becomes a fix to the written procedures, logged in a public change list.

Do it yourself, or bring in the professionals

Most inventors work alone on their own money. On their own money, the bots help them do the work themselves, prepared to a professional standard: a company they form, a test they run, complete patent preparation. When a lender's or an investor's money is involved, a contract gets signed, or someone could be hurt, the bots prepare the packet for the attorney, engineer or test lab who has to decide.

Written for Grok, readable by any AI

The bots are written for Grok and Grok bots. Because they run on plain written procedures linked to each other, any AI model that can read a web link can follow them. Every instruction is open to read on the website and on GitHub (https://github.com/mminwi/an-creation-office). The bots are free to use under a Creative Commons BY-NC-SA 4.0 license, including for inventions the user goes on to sell. Users need at least a SuperGrok subscription and somewhere to keep the project folder, such as Google Drive or OneDrive.

"AI keeps changing, and the office will keep getting better with it," Maier said.

How to start

1. Go to https://ancreationoffice.com and pick the bot that fits your work.
2. Make a new bot in Grok and paste the message for that bot.
3. Answer its questions.

About Advance Now LLC

Advance Now LLC integrates AI into engineering and manufacturing. It was founded by Mike Maier, who holds a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from UW–Madison, is a Six Sigma Black Belt, and served in the U.S. Air Force. A.N. Creation Office is a free project of Advance Now LLC. https://advancenowllc.com

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