

Litigator of the Week

Runners-Up and Shout-Outs

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► Shout-out to a team at **Latham & Watkins** that got an appellate win for vehicle data platform Otonomo in a proposed class action claiming the company violated the California Invasion of Privacy Act. The Ninth Circuit this week upheld a decision dismissing the case, finding that Otonomo's use of telematics control units installed by vehicle makers to track location data didn't fit the definition of an "electronic tracking device" regulated by the state privacy law. Latham partner **Roman Martinez** argued the appeal and partner **Melanie Blunsch** argued the motion to dismiss at the trial court. The team includes partner **Michael Rubin** and associates **David Steinbach** and **Wesley Tiu**.