Litigator of the Week Runners-Up and Shout Outs

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➤ Latham & Watkins partners Jamie Wine and Michele Johnson previously landed Litigator of the Week honors in May 2020 when a federal judge in Los Angeles dismissed the plaintiffs' equal pay claims on summary judgment, leaving standing only claims for discriminatory working conditions which were settled in the run-up to the appeal. Latham's work on the appeal and settlement was headed up by Wine, partner Melissa Sherry, who was set to argue the appeal, and counsel Sarah Gragert.

➤ Shout out to a Latham team led by partners Andrew Gass and Gabriel Gross and associates Elana Nightingale Dawson, Carolyn Homer and Raymond Gans. In a case where their client Apple was facing copyright infringement claims from the maker of an app allowing people to send racially diverse emojis, U.S. District Judge Vince Chhabria in San Francisco granted their motion to dismiss last week finding Apple copied only the idea of diverse emojis, not the plaintiffs' expression of it.