

Litigator of the Week

Runners-Up and Shout-Outs

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➤ Shout-out to lawyers representing Apple, Visa and Mastercard who fought off an antitrust lawsuit accusing the companies of colluding to prop up the fees charged to merchants for point-of-sale transactions. U.S. District Judge David Dugan in East St. Louis, Illinois, granted the defendants' motions to dismiss last month, finding that Apple did not agree to refrain from creating its own payment network or to bar competitors from accessing Apple Wallet and its contactless payments technology. After the plaintiffs opted not to file an amended complaint, Dugan entered judgment for the defendants this week. Apple was represented by a team at **Latham & Watkins**, including partners **Sarah Ray, Aaron Chiu, Alicia Jovais, Ashley Bauer** and **Gary Feinerman** and associates **Leah Wisser, Devon Diggs, Juliette Brezin** and **Isabella Coelho**. Visa was represented by Bob Vizas, Anne Davis, Matthew Eisenstein, Valerie Hays and Nicholas Zebrowski of Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer and Michael Shuster, Demian Ordway and Zachary Kerner of Holwell Shuster & Goldberg. Mastercard was represented by a team at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison, including Brette Tannenbaum, Nina Kovalenko, Kenneth Gallo, Donna Ioffredo and Gary Carney, who retired from the firm in May.