
\$147M Verdict Against Research In Motion is Overturned

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On August 8, US District Judge James Ware overturned a federal jury's \$147.2 million patent infringement verdict against Research In Motion Ltd. (RIM). The ruling stated that RIM did not infringe Mformation Technologies Inc.'s device management technology as they had claimed.

Judge Ware found that that the jury's July verdict in favor of plaintiff Mformation had no legal basis, and that Mformation failed to present any evidence that RIM had infringed its patent for remotely linking mobile phones to a server.

In addition to this positive reversal on behalf of RIM, Judge Ware granted a conditional motion for a new trial. With this, Mformation has the right to appeal the Judge's ruling; however if Mformation successfully appeals the ruling, the jury verdict would not be reinstated and instead a new trial would occur.

The WilmerHale team representing RIM was led by Mark Matuschak and Andrew Grossman and included Partners Cynthia Vreeland, David Cavanaugh and Evelyn Mak, Counsel Larissa Park, Senior Associate Erin Mehta and Associate Aaron Thompson. The firm's co-counsel was Kirkland & Ellis.

RIM's official press release on the finding can be found [here](#).