Can Computer Application Programming Interfaces Be Copyrighted?

The Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF) reports that it has asked the U.S. Supreme Court to review a "disastrous" appellate court decision finding that com[puter application programming interfaces (APIs) can be copyrighted.

The case is *Oracle v. Google*.

"That decision, handed down by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in May, up-ended decades of settled legal precedent and industry practice," EFF said in a statement.

Forbes reports that the EFF is indicating it has the backing of 77 well-known computer scientists. In October, Google petitioned the Supreme Court to review the case, which it states has implications for technical innovation.

Read the story.