

East Texas Jury Awards Nearly \$63M, Finds Samsung Infringed on Phone Screen Display Patents

Solas OLED enforces tech patents with help from Ward, Smith & Hill attorneys

MARSHALL, Texas – An East Texas jury has awarded \$62.7 million to Ireland-based Solas OLED Ltd. after finding Samsung Display Company Ltd. willfully infringed on two screen display patents used in Samsung Galaxy phones.

The six-day trial resulted in a verdict that Samsung had infringed on U.S. patent numbers 7,446,338 and 9,256,311 related to active-matrix organic light-emitting diode (AMOLED) functions used in OLED displays for Samsung Galaxy S and Galaxy Note smartphones. The jury determined a third patent, U.S. Patent Number 6,072,450, to be invalid.

According to the verdict form, Samsung must pay a lump sum of \$27.3 million for the '338 patent and \$35.4 million for the '311 patent.

Ward, Smith & Hill attorneys Johnny Ward, Claire Abernathy Henry and Andrea L. Fair were part of the legal team that also included Marc Fenster, Reza Mirzaie and Neil A. Rubin of Russ August & Kabat as well as Sean A. Luner, Gregory S. Dovel and Jonas B. Jacobson of Dovel & Luner LLP.

The case is Solas OLED Ltd. v. Samsung Display Co. Ltd. et al., case number 2:19-cv-00152, before U.S. District Judge Rodney Gilstrap in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas.

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