Famous Patent 'Troll's' Lawsuit Against Google Booted Out of East Texas

Eolas Technologies, which has been called a "patent troll," has continued to file against big companies, even after losing a landmark 2012 trial. But following an appeals court order, Eolas will have to pursue its lawsuits in California – not its preferred patent hotspot of East Texas, **reports Ars Technica**.

Joe Mullin writes that the move could reduce Eolas' chances of winning a settlement or verdict when the case is heard in a court outside the plaintiff-friendly East Texas system.

Eolas claims rights to a patent on features related to the interactive Web, including online video, user-manipulated images on shopping websites, and suggestions that pop up in search bars. Google defeated the claim in trial. Yet, Eolas lawyers were able to continue to get more patents granted as "continuations" of that original patent, even *after* a jury invalidated it.

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