Mark Zuckerberg, in Suit, Testifies in Oculus Intellectual Property Trial



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Mark Zuckerberg, chief executive of Facebook, testified Tuesday in a trial that could cost his company $2 billion if a federal jury in Dallas finds that a company bought by Facebook stole technology that eventually went into a virtual reality headset.

A *New York Times* report on the trial says the "dispute started more than two and a half years ago when ZeniMax Media sued Oculus just months after Facebook announced that it would acquire the start-up. ZeniMax accused Oculus of stealing important elements of the technology that went into the creation of the headset, eventually including Facebook among the parties it was suing."

Reporters **Nick Wingfield** and **Mike Issac** write that this case defied predictions by reaching a jury trial.

ZeniMax's case is based on the idea that one of its former employeesshared ZeniMax virtual reality technology with a founder of Oculus, during the company's early days, technology for which ZeniMax was never compensated, according to the report.

Read the *NYT* article.