

# Supreme Court Rejects Challenge to Patent Review Process

☒ The Supreme Court has ruled against Cuozzo Speed Technologies Corp. in its challenge to U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's procedures for canceling patents in a case involving a vehicle speedometer that tells drivers when they are speeding, **reports Reuters**.

The ruling is seen as a victory for technology companies like Apple and Google, which have used the procedures to invalidate patents they believed to be weak.

With the decision, the court validated a 2015 appeals court ruling upholding the USPTO's invalidation of New Jersey-based Cuozzo's speedometer patent. GPS device maker Garmin had challenged Cuozzo's claims in that case, report **Lawrence Hurley** and **Andrew Chung**.

The legal question was whether the federal agency's procedures have made it too easy to successfully cancel patents. In an opinion by Justice Stephen Breyer, the court backed the process.

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