



# Banner & Witcoff client Mentor Graphics fends off trial under AIA's new inter partes review proceedings

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In February, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's Patent Trial and Appeal Board ruled in favor of firm client Mentor Graphics Corp., and denied an *inter partes* review petition filed by Synopsys, Inc. It marked the first time a petition was denied in full since the new America Invents Act proceeding took effect in September 2012.

Mentor Graphics is represented in this matter by Banner & Witcoff attorneys Christopher L. McKee and Michael S. Cuvillo.

For more information, click [here](#) to read an *IP Law360* article titled, "USPTO Rejects Inter Partes Re-Exam Under AIA for 1st Time."

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