

## Banner & Witcoff formulates winning strategy for RealNetworks.

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Banner & Witcoff is pleased to announce the jury verdict of patent invalidity and noninfringement in favor of client RealNetworks, Inc. On April 14, 2006 a Boston jury in *Ethos Technologies, Inc. v. RealNetworks, Inc.* (D. Mass) returned verdicts of invalidity and noninfringement against one patent asserted by Ethos and a verdict of noninfringement against a second patent asserted by Ethos. The technology related to the downloading of data files over computer networks.

Banner & Witcoff lawyers Charles Shifley, John Iwanicki and Dale Malone formulated the invalidity and noninfringement strategies for RealNetworks that ultimately prevailed at trial. Other key decisions obtained by Banner & Witcoff during discovery and pretrial activities included the maintenance of prior art compilations as confidential information and the limitation on discovery of accused products under the *Micro Motion* standard.

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