Banner Witcoff Obtains PTAB Win for Ashworth Brothers, Inc.

On Monday, November 27, the Patent Trial and Appeal Board issued its Final Written Decision on Remand in Ashworth Brothers, Inc. v. Laitram, LLC, IPR 2020-00593, holding that the only remaining patent claim that Laitram alleged to be infringed by Ashworth Bros. that had not previously been found to be unpatentable, was unpatentable for obviousness given the prior art. The PTAB decision also affirmed the invalidity of four of the patent claims previously canceled in its earlier Final Written Decision. As every one of the patent claims that Laitram had alleged were infringed by Ashworth Bros. has now been found to be unpatentable for obviousness, this decision was a complete win for Ashworth Bros. on all issues.

The Banner Witcoff litigation team handling the district court action, the inter partes reviews, the Federal Circuit appeals and cross-appeal, and the IPR remand proceedings is Chris Roth, John Hutchins, Carlos Goldie, and lead counsel Bob Altherr.

You can read more about the Final Written Decision on Remand in Ashworth Brothers, Inc. v. Laitram, LLC, IPR 2020-00593, by clicking here.