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Katten Wins Key Summary Judgment Rulings on Behalf of SMART Technologies in Patent Infringement Case

Firm has represented SMART Technologies in four-year patent infringement battle with Polyvision Corporation

CHICAGO - Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP is pleased to announce that it has won an important court decision on behalf of its client SMART Technologies Inc., in the company's ongoing patent infringement case against competitor, Polyvision Corporation. Polyvision is owned by Grand Rapids, Mich.-based Steelcase Corporation.

SMART, based in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, and Polyvision have been engaged in patent infringement litigation in federal court in Grand Rapids, Mich., relating to interactive whiteboard technology. Polyvision had asserted one U.S. patent against SMART, while SMART has asserted four U.S. patents against Polyvision. On June 1, Judge Gordon J. Quist of the United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan, granted SMART's motion for summary judgment that it does not infringe Polyvision's patent. The Court also granted SMART's motion for summary judgment that Polyvision had infringed all four SMART patents.

"The Court's decision, of course, reinforces SMART Technologies' position in this litigation," said [Timothy J. Vezeau](#), lead counsel for SMART and the Chicago-based, founding partner of Katten's [Patent Litigation Practice](#). "We are pleased to continue with our representation of SMART in this matter."

Other members of Katten's legal team involved in the case include [Manotti L. Jenkins](#) and [Michael Dorfman](#), partners in the Firm's Chicago office, and Andrew Bateman, an associate in the Firm's Washington, D.C. office.

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