

Litigator of the Week Runners-Up and Shout Outs

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► Shout out to partners **Mary Rose Alexander, Robert Collins, Jean Pawlow, and Greg Garre**, and associates **Ward Penfold, Maggie Upshaw, Peter Davis, Michael Hale, Joseph Thomas, Darcee Case, and Henry Adrian van Seventer** at **Latham & Watkins** who got a win at the Seventh Circuit for client Netflix last week. The appellate court upheld a win for streaming services finding that East St. Louis, Illinois, can't force them to pay franchise fees imposed on cable companies. The appellate court found the state's Cable and Video Competition Law excludes video services offered over the public internet. Garre argued the appeal for more than 10 streaming services, including Netflix. Pantelis Michalopoulos of Steptoe & Johnson argued for DISH Network. The lineup of counsel also included Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner and Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati for Hulu and Disney, McDermott Will & Emery for Apple, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher for Amazon, Covington & Burling for CBS Interactive, Perkins Coie for YouTube, ArentFox Schiff for CuriosityStream, Willkie Farr & Gallagher for Peacock TV, and Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton and Sandberg Phoenix & von Gontard for DirecTV and WarnerMedia Direct. In addition to Steptoe, DISH is represented by Berliner Corcoran & Rowe.