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Law360's Legal Lions Of The Week

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Law360 (April 12, 2024, 4:51 PM EDT) -- Reichman Jorgensen Lehman & Feldberg LLP and Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP lead this week's edition of Law360 Legal Lions, after an Illinois federal jury found that Amazon owes \$525 million in damages for infringing three patents covering cloud data storage technology.

The jury returned a verdict Wednesday in favor of Kove IO Inc., finding that Amazon Web Services infringed a trio of patents related to technology that enables "hyper-scalable cloud storage" and improves on the scalability limitations of conventional data storage systems. Kove is represented by Courtland Reichman, Khue Hoang, Christine Lehman, Amy Ruhland, Shawna Ballard, Jennifer Estremera, Gina Cremona, Navid Bayar, Savannah Carnes, Jaime Cardenas-Navia, Adam Adler, Philip Eklem, Taylor Mauze, Naveed Hasan and Brian Baran of Reichman Jorgensen and Renato Mariotti and Holly Campbell of BCLP. Selendy Gay PLLC and Silver Golub & Teitell LLP triumphed when the Second Circuit on April 5 revived a proposed class action accusing crypto trading platform Coinbase of selling unregistered securities. A three-judge panel of the appellate court revived some claims against Coinbase, saying that competing user contracts left it open for interpretation as to who, exactly, was the direct seller of dozens of tokens trading on the exchange. The Coinbase users are represented by Jordan Goldstein of Selendy Gay and Steven Bloch of Silver Golub.

Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP roared as Urban Outfitters on Thursday beat back a lawsuit from a bankrupt online fashion rental company claiming the retailer stole its proprietary information to set up a competing business, with a Philadelphia federal jury finding that the clothing chain did not misappropriate trade secrets. Urban Outfitters is represented by Douglas Baruch, Michael Banks, Lindsey Levy and Dana E. Becker of Morgan Lewis.

Holwell Shuster & Goldberg LLP and McDaniel Wolff PLLC succeeded when an Arkansas jury hit Walmart with a \$101 million verdict Tuesday for breaching an agreement to purchase more than \$500 million in personal protective equipment from London Luxury LLC amid the coronavirus pandemic. London Luxury is represented by Brendon DeMay, Priyanka Timblo, Karen Sebaski, Jordan L. Pietzsch, Ian Miller and Benjamin Allen of Holwell Shuster & Goldberg LLP and by Scott Richardson of McDaniel Wolff PLLC.

Walmart fared better April 8 in a case in Delaware federal court, as attorneys with Latham & Watkins LLP and Richards Layton & Finger PA helped the retail giant beat back an investor class action alleging it failed to properly disclose that it was the subject of parallel criminal and civil investigations over its opioid sales. U.S. District Judge Colm F. Connolly agreed with the big box retailer that the statements it

issued in its filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission from 2017 to 2020 were not false or misleading. Walmart is represented by Sean Berkowitz, Nicholas Siciliano, Whitney Weber, Jordan Mundell and Renatta Gorski of Latham & Watkins, and Robert Whetzel and Raymond DiCamillo of Richards Layton.

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP and Fenwick & West LLP round out this week's pride after their work on Johnson & Johnson's \$13.1 billion acquisition of Shockwave Medical Inc. — a provider of a cardiovascular blood flow treatment — in a deal announced April 5. Johnson & Johnson is represented by Damien Zoubek, Jenny Hochenberg, Sanjay Murti, Nicole Foster, Sarah Ghulamhussain, Claude Stansbury, Vinita Kailasanath, Daniel Cendan, Nabeel Yousef, Christine Lyon and Brock Dahl of Freshfields. Shockwave is represented by Doug Cogen, Bomi Lee, Stefano Quintini, Matt Cantor, Tom Ensign and Jeff Oelke of Fenwick & West.

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