On remand, Federal Circuit reaffirms single entity rule for divided, direct infringement


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Abstract

Following a remand from the US Supreme Court to consider the issue of multiple-actor direct infringement under 35 USC § 271(a), a split panel of the US Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit continues to require that all of the steps of a method claim be performed by a single actor, either by the actor itself or by others under the actor's ‘direction or control.’