

Nabbed Two Big Wins for Motorola in Billion-Dollar Suits Over Cell Phone Safety

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Secured two big wins for Motorola Mobility in two long-running litigations challenging the safety of cellular phones, for which Am Law recognized lead attorney Terry Dee as Litigator of the Week. Seeking billions of dollars in damages, plaintiffs sued Motorola and more than 20 other defendants, alleging that cell phone use causes brain cancer. In April 2023, the Western District of Louisiana held that federal preemption barred much of plaintiffs' claims. Less than a week later, a D.C. Superior Court excluded all plaintiffs' general-causation experts, impacting more than 80 pending cases. Together, these two decisions are a severe blow to the plaintiffs' efforts to challenge the safety of products that drive the US\$400+B global cellular telephone market.

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