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Overview

Lindsey Godfrey Eccles is a partner in Susman Godfrey's Seattle office. She represents both plaintiffs and defendants in complex, high-stakes civil litigation including patent infringement, antitrust, fraudulent transfer, and professional negligence, as well as a variety of commercial disputes. In addition to individuals, her clients have included nationwide consumer classes, local internet companies, and large U.S. and foreign financial institutions, among others.

From 2004 to 2009 Ms. Eccles oversaw litigation in-house at RealNetworks, Inc. During her tenure Real settled its landmark antitrust suit against Microsoft Corp. for \$761 million. Ms. Eccles also supervised a number of intellectual property lawsuits, focusing on patent infringement and music copyright claims.

Education

- Yale University (B.A. English, with distinction in the major, 1993)
- University of Texas (J.D. with honors, 2001)

Clerkship

Law Clerk for the Honorable Judge John. C. Coughenour, Western District of Washington, 2001-2002

Notable Representation

In re: Processed Eggs Products Antitrust Litigation (E.D.Pa.) (2013-present) (represent proposed class of direct purchasers of egg products in antitrust class action).

CoinLab, Inc. v. Mt. Gox KK, and Tibanne KK (W.D.Wash.) (2013-present) (represent Seattle bitcoin software and technology provider in breach of contract action against Japanese bitcoin exchange).

Global Sessions LP litigation (W.D.Tex.) (2013-2014) (represented patent holder in five related infringement suits against bank defendants; settled favorably after *Markman* hearing).

VoiceAge Corp. v. RealNetworks, Inc. (S.D.N.Y.) (2012-2013) (defended RealNetworks, Inc. in an action for breach of a patent licensing agreement; settled favorably after defeating summary judgment).

In re MF Global Holdings Ltd. Investment Litigation (S.D.N.Y.) (2012-present) (represent class of injured commodity customers in connection with collapse of MF Global Inc.).

PACT XPP Technologies, AG v. Xilinx, Inc. and Avnet, Inc. (E.D. Tex.) (2011-2012) (represented plaintiffs in patent infringement suit; obtained \$15.4 million verdict at trial).

Albright et al. v. Kibble & Prentice (AAA arbitration, Seattle WA) (2011-12) (represented investors in Meridian Mortgage securities against investment advisor; settled favorably during discovery).

Lehman Brothers International (Europe) (in administration) (2010-2011) (successfully argued for return of billions in assets from Citibank, N.A.).

Friskit, Inc. v. RealNetworks, Inc. (N.D.Cal.) (2004-2007) (defense of patent infringement; dismissed at summary judgment on invalidity grounds; affirmed on appeal).

RealNetworks, Inc. v. Microsoft Corp. (N.D.Cal.) (2004-2005) (prosecution of antitrust claims; settled for \$761 million during discovery).

In re Enron Corp. (S.D.N.Y.) (2002-2004) (represented Enron as debtor-in-possession in litigation against its former financial institutions; settled favorably).

Be Incorporated v. Microsoft Corporation (N.D. Cal.) (2002-2003) (prosecuted antitrust claims alleging monopolization of the market for PC operating system software; settled favorably during discovery).

Bank of America et al. v. REI (King Co. Sup. Ct.) (2002-2003) (defended REI against misappropriation of trade secrets claim in connection with marketing of co-branded credit cards; settled near end of discovery).

Articles

Rethinking the Ethical Ban on Criminal Contingent Fees: A Commonsense Approach to Asset Forfeiture, 79 Texas L. Rev. 1699 (2001).

Professional Associations and Memberships

Washington State Bar Association