

Susman Godfrey Client DataQuill Ltd Wins \$31.5 Million Verdict in Technology IP Case

HOUSTON and SEATTLE (June 20, 2015) – A federal jury in Eastern Texas has sided with Susman Godfrey client DataQuill Ltd in a patent infringement suit alleging that the US subsidiary of Chinese company ZTE Corp. infringed upon two of DataQuill’s patents covering smartphone technology.

After deliberating less than 45 minutes, the jury found that ZTE had infringed U.S. Patent Nos. 6,058,304 and 7,139,591, held that the patents were not invalid, and awarded DataQuill \$31.5 million in damages for ZTE’s past infringement.

This was DataQuill’s first time to assert its patents at trial. “We are gratified that we were able to assist DataQuill in enforcing these patents, which have been widely licensed and adopted throughout the smartphone industry,” said DataQuill’s lead lawyer and Susman Godfrey partner [Parker Folse](#).

On October 26, 2015 The National Law Journal placed the DataQuill verdict on the Top 100 List for the Top 50 Verdicts and Top 50 Settlements of the Year in the entire country – #23 Nationally and #6 in Texas. [Click here](#) to see the publication that ran in October 2015.

Susman Godfrey attorneys [Joseph Grinstein](#) and Brian Hogue worked alongside Folse on this matter. Co-counsel includes Heim, Payne & Chorush, LLP, the Ward and Smith Law Firm, and Capshaw DeRieux LLP.

ZTE is represented by Fitzpatrick Cella Harper & Scinto.

The case is *DataQuill Ltd. v. ZTE USA Inc.*, case number 2:13-cv-00634, in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, Marshall Division.