

## BARTLIT BECK WINS MAJOR PATENT DEFENSE VICTORY FOR STATIC CONTROL IN PRINTER CARTRIDGE DISPUTE



### *Lexmark v. Static Control (2007)*

Joe Smith, Allison W. Freedman, Alison Wheeler and a Bartlit Beck team defeated Lexmark in a headline-grabbing patent infringement case brought by Lexmark in the Eastern District of Kentucky. Lexmark accused Static Control, the world's leading supplier of replacement parts for laser printer toner cartridges, of inducing thousands of its customers to infringe more than 150 patent claims asserted by Lexmark. After a six-week trial, the jury not only found that Static Control did not induce any patent infringement but went on to find that Lexmark had misused its patents and engaged in anti-competitive behavior.

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