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Jenner & Block

Led by veteran Supreme Court litigator Paul Smith, Jenner & Block has argued 24 Supreme Court cases in the past seven years and numerous federal and state appellate cases.

NOTEWORTHY CASES

- *Nken v. Holder*, 129 S. Ct. 1749 (2009). Lead attorney Lindsay Harrison. In a 7-2 decision in favor of a pro bono client, the Supreme Court ruled that asylum applicants in the United States who are appealing orders of removal by the Board of Immigration Appeals in federal court should not be deported while their appeals are pending if they have a likelihood of success in their appeal and would suffer harm if deported.

- *VSDA v. Schwarzenegger*, 556 F.3d 950 (9th Cir. 2009). On behalf of the Video Software Dealers Association, lead attorneys Paul Smith and Katherine Fallow continued a streak of successful challenges to state regulation of video game content when the 9th Circuit affirmed a lower court ruling blocking enforcement of a California law that attempted to restrict the sale or rental, to anyone below the age of 18, of certain computer and video games based on content deemed "violent." Since 2003, the firm has successfully represented numerous video game industry clients in challenging similar laws in several states.

- *Olin Corp. v. Insurance Co. of North America*, 347 Fed.Appx. 622, 2009 WL 2981885 (C.A.2 (N.Y.)). Lead attorney Craig Martin prevailed for client Olin Corp. in a 25-year-long dispute relating to excess insurance coverage for pollution remediation costs at several New York sites. The 2d Circuit's ruling upheld an approximately \$40 million judgment affirming Olin's claims.

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