

Litigator of the Week Runners-Up and Shout-Outs

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Shout-out to a Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher team led by partner Trey Cox and associates Travis Jones and Cody Johnson, who secured a plaintiff-side win for client Energy Transfer. Louisiana District Judge Laurie Hulin granted summary judgment voiding the transfer of the Sea Robin Gas Processing Plant, finding that Energy Transfer's midstream energy rival Enterprise did not "strictly follow the language of the agreement" governing transfer of plant ownership. Energy Transfer's team also included Gibson Dunn associates Robert Frey and Lara Kakish and local counsel Jimmy Ordeneaux of Plauché Maselli Parkerson.

Shout-out to a separate Gibson Dunn team led by partners Kristin Linsley and Samuel Eckman, who secured a ruling knocking out claims brought by families of victims of the 2022 mass shooting at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas, against Meta Platforms Inc. and Instagram. The plaintiffs claimed that Instagram exposed the shooter to "aggressive, combat-fetishizing, and unlawful marketing" for the firearm used in the shooting. But Los Angeles County Superior Judge William Highberger held last week that the shooter himself was the proximate cause of the harm and any conduct by Meta and Instagram was "so far attenuated from plaintiffs' harm that it is only negligible or theoretical." The judge granted Meta's demurrer without leave to amend, but denied anti-SLAPP motions brought by the company and codefendant Activision Blizzard Inc. The Gibson Dunn team included associates Jamila MacEbong and Lindsay Laird and former associate Allie Miller.

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