

Sheppard Mullin Secures Win for TransitTech Leader Via in Virtual Bus Stop Patent Infringement Suit Against RideCo

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The USPTO Patent Trial and Appeal Board recently upheld patents for the Virtual Bus Stop technology invented by Sheppard Mullin client Via, the global leader in TransitTech, in two successive, unanimous rulings. This innovative and pioneering technology is the foundation for efficient, on-demand dynamic routing for shared ride vehicles, and helped shape the TransitTech category.

Since 2012, Via has been working to reinvent public transit using the proprietary and innovative on-demand transit technology that it has developed for more than 11 years. The USPTO rulings demonstrate that Via's Virtual Bus Stop patents (U.S. Patent Nos. 9,816,824 and 10,197,411B2) are novel inventions that are enforceable against infringement in the marketplace overall.

As a result of these rulings, Via is in a position to continue to vigorously defend its intellectual property and press forward with pending patent infringement litigation in federal court.

Jonathan DeFosse, a partner in Sheppard Mullin's Intellectual Property practice group and lead trial counsel for Via said, "We are delighted with the decisions from the Patent Trial and Appeal Board confirming the validity of Via's patents. These decisions help to confirm the strength of Via's patents related to virtual bus stop technology and Via's right to enforce its intellectual property."

Sheppard Mullin special counsel Timothy Cremen and associate Roy Jung also assisted Via.

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