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**NEW BNA BOOKS [ANATOMY OF A PATENT CASE](#) A MUST-READ
FOR ALL WHO FACE THE CHALLENGES OF PATENT LITIGATION**

Arlington, Va., November 2009—BNA Books, a division of specialized news and information publisher BNA, announced today the publication of [ANATOMY OF A PATENT CASE](#). This new guidebook is published by BNA Books in cooperation with the American College of Trial Lawyers.

Conflicts over intellectual property—and specifically over patents—have assumed a pivotal role in today’s global economy. In response to this recent increase in patent litigation, the Complex Litigation Committee of the prestigious American College of Trial Lawyers (ACTL) reviewed many of the published treatises on the subject and determined that no succinct guide existed on the issue. To fill that void, the ACTL undertook the goal of writing a manual to detail each phase of a patent case for judges and lawyers. A Judicial Board of Advisors from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, the Third Circuit, and District Courts, reviewed the written manuscript to provide commentary and the benefit of their expertise. The result of this unique collaboration is [ANATOMY OF A PATENT CASE](#)—a concise yet substantial narrative summary that expertly covers all steps required to bring a patent case to trial and the key elements that make such litigation unique.

Recognized as some of the most successful patent litigators in the United States and Canada, these authors not only crystallize the patent litigation process at an expert level but offer insights that could only come with their high level of experience. Beginning with a brief overview of a patent lawsuit, they follow with discussion of an actual patent from the pizza box case (*Vitale v. PizzaBoxCo*) and then proceed step by step through each phase, from the Complaint to an appeal to the Federal Circuit.

This resource comes at an important time for today’s litigator. Judgments and settlements in favor of patent holders today routinely amount to millions of dollars, and recently reached the \$1 billion dollar mark. In addition, injunctions are often sought in these cases. The significance now being placed on controlling the exclusive rights to ideas, innovations, and inventions has even led Congress in the last few years to consider legislation that would affect significant patent law reform—the first time serious changes would be made to the patent statute since 1952.

[ANATOMY OF A PATENT CASE](#) brings all this to bear in specifically addressing the complex technical, procedural, and legal issues inherent in a patent lawsuit that are not usually found in other types of civil litigation. In this handbook the ACTL analyzes only the unique characteristics of patent cases that judges and lawyers can expect to see.

The handbook is so successful as a tool to navigate the patent litigation process that it has been added to the Federal Judicial Center’s resource library for district court judges and their law clerks, and even required an additional printing so every federal district court judge could have a personal copy.

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