

METATECH CORPORATION  
v.  
TRW, INC.,  
(United States District Court for the District of New Mexico)  
95-cv-0799

Metatech Corp. sued TRW for a declaratory judgment that a patent was not infringed. Paul Adams represented Plaintiff.

The Metatech Corp. principals, a start-up business, were ex-employees of TRW and the inventors of the patent in suit. The patent involved a noise suppression circuit laid out on a flexible substrate that could be inserted into a multi-pin connector. In addition to the usual issues of infringement and validity, the case raised the issue of assignor estoppel.

The Defendants were represented by DeWitt M. Morgan of Rodey, Dickason, Sloan, Akin & Robb in New Mexico.

The case was settled after discovery on terms considered highly favorable to Plaintiff in October 1996.