

US trade judge rules for Apple in Nokia dispute

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A member of the media inspects an iPod Touch at an Apple Special Event in San Francisco, California 2010. A judge with the US International Trade Commission ruled in Apple's favor on Friday in a patent dispute with Finland's Nokia over mobile phones, portable music players and computers.

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Judge James Gildea denied Nokia's claim that Apple had violated five patents held by the Finnish company.

The [judge](#) did not provide an explanation for his ruling and the full six-member commission now has 60 days to review his determination.

The ITC has the authority to bar imports into the United States of products found to be infringing on patents and Nokia was seeking to have Apple products barred.

The two mobile phone titans have been embroiled in a fierce legal battle over patents with Nokia lodging at least two other lawsuits against [Apple](#) and the California gadget-maker filing countersuits against the Finnish company.

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