**Smartphone patents**

**Abstract:**

The **Smartphone patents** licensing and litigation is an ongoing war between various smartphone manufacturers including Apple, Motorola, Google, Samsung, Sony, Microsoft, Nokia, HTC, LG and among others in patent infringement. In a patent dispute over technology used in android mobile phones between Motorola and Apple, Richard Posner, a judge on the Chicago-based 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, said "An injunction that imposes greater costs on the defendant than it confers benefits on the plaintiff reduces net social welfare." In this paper I’m going to research deep on whether it is valid point to consider in patent cases. I also plan to discuss on the provision similar to fourth fair use guideline apply to patents. An analysis will be presented on changes that are to be made to smartphone patents for more development in the technology.

**Activity:**

I plan to go through various reliable articles and interviews and analyze them to get to a conclusion thinking from both the perspectives. I also intend to take personal interviews from smartphone company employers to get more genuine information. I want to discuss both the pros and cons of the topic exploring all the available ways.

**Reference:**

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Smartphone_patent_wars>

This url gives an idea on what smartphone patents war is and various patent sued cases.

<http://www.abajournal.com/mobile/article/posner_cites_net_social_welfare_in_declining_patent_injunction_will_other_j>

This url discusses the judgement on the decision dismissing a case in which Motorola and Apple sued each other over smartphone patents.