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## **Federal Judge Clears Way for AT&T-Time Warner Merger**

**Washington – June 15, 2018:** Crowell & Moring LLP congratulates our longstanding client AT&T on its landmark trial victory over the Justice Department, which cleared the way for the telecommunications company to complete its \$85 billion purchase of Time Warner. U.S. District Court Judge Richard J. Leon ruled on Tuesday, and AT&T closed the deal last night.

Crowell & Moring has represented AT&T for over two decades in this and other transactions as regulatory counsel before the DOJ Antitrust Division, and is proud to be part of the successful litigation team representing AT&T in this case.

The firm's team included partners Shari Ross Lahlou, [Jeane A. Thomas](#), [Christopher A. Cole](#), and [Wm. Randolph Smith](#).

Other law firms representing AT&T included O'Melveny & Myers LLP, Gibson Dunn & Crutcher LLP, and Arnold & Porter LLP.

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