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Law360 Quotes Felicia Nowels in Tariff Case with Samsung International Inc.

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Law360 quoted Felicia Nowels during an oral argument before the Federal Court on behalf of Samsung International Inc. in connection with a tariff that was placed on its plasma TVs imported from Mexico. In the article, “Samsung Asks Fed. Circ. To Reject Tariff on Plasma TVs,” the Akerman team representing Samsung asked the court to reverse a U.S. Court of International Trade decision that the TVs were ineligible for duty-free treatment. Nowels argued that Samsung’s TVs and plasma video monitors were entitled to duty-free treatment under the North American Free Trade Agreement. Katherine Giddings, Nancy Wallace and Michael Larson were also members of the Akerman team.

“The definition of ‘control electronics’ is so broad that as a matter of law it must be wrong because it failed to list distinctions between drive and control electronics. Under the cardinal rule of statutory interpretation, you cannot give definitions of terms that would render one meaningless,” said Nowels.

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