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ClearOne Awarded Attorney Fees and Costs Against Biamp Systems Corp., Wideband Solutions, Inc., and Others, in Federal Trade Secret Misappropriation Case

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 6 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- (Nasdaq: CLRO) An order awarding over \$2 million in attorney fees and costs (the "Attorney Fee Order") was issued by a federal magistrate judge on December 30, 2009, in favor of ClearOne.

The Attorney Fee Order comes in the case that was presented to a jury in October and November 2008 (the "Intellectual Property Case"). The Intellectual Property Case was against Biamp Systems Corporation ("Biamp") and a group of defendants sometimes termed the "WideBand Defendants," which group consists of WideBand Solutions, Inc. ("WideBand"); three of WideBand's principals - Dr. Jun Yang, who was a former ClearOne employee, Andrew Chiang, who was previously affiliated with an entity that sold certain assets to ClearOne and Lonny Bowers; and Versatile DSP, Inc.

In the Attorney Fee Order, the judge awarded ClearOne attorney fees and costs of \$2,009,551 as follows: \$983,880 against Biamp and the WideBand Defendants jointly and severally; another \$118,025 solely against Biamp; and another \$907,646 solely against the WideBand Defendants, jointly and severally.

The court has under consideration additional requests for relief from ClearOne, including ClearOne's request for an award of attorney fees and costs from DialHD, Donald Bowers, and David Sullivan.

On November 5, 2008, the jury returned a verdict in the Intellectual Property Case in favor of ClearOne. Subsequently, the court entered a final judgment against the defendants for approximately \$9.7 million. The court issued injunction orders remain in place, prohibiting WideBand, its principals, and others acting in concert with WideBand, from (among other things) the use, marketing, or sale of ClearOne's trade secrets or WideBand's infringing products found to use these trade secrets.

At trial and throughout the Intellectual Property Case, ClearOne was represented by the Utah law firm of Magleby & Greenwood, P.C.

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