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## christine lepera named litigator of the week by *the american lawyer*

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Christine Lepera was featured in *The American Lawyer's* Litigator of the Week series for helping score a big win for music copyright defendants in the battle over Jay-Z's "Big Pimpin'."

On Wednesday, October 21, Christine and other defense lawyers convinced a Los Angeles federal judge, to dismiss a 2007 lawsuit alleging that the Jay-Z hit "Big Pimpin'" unlawfully sampled from a now-deceased Egyptian musician. Following five days of trial that featured testimony from both Jay-Z and music producer Timbaland, U.S. District Judge Christina Snyder found that the plaintiff, Osama Ahmed Fahmy—the Egyptian musician's nephew—lacked standing to sue.

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