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David A. Steinberg, Emily F. Evitt and Alex Anfuso were highlighted in the article, "5th Circ. Sides With Nickelback In 'Rockstar' Copyright Fight," published in *Law360* on February 20, 2024.

"The Fifth Circuit on Monday ruled against an artist who claims Canadian rock band Nickelback ripped off his song for its 2005 hit "Rockstar," saying that singing about making lots of money or referencing sports are rockstar clichés and does not show a striking similarity.

In an unpublished **opinion**, a unanimous three-judge panel said that Kirk Johnston failed to show that Nickelback and its label Roadrunner Records Inc. had access to his song, also called "Rockstar," before recording their hit, or that the two songs are strikingly similar."

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