

Federal patent infringement lawsuit filed over sonar scan technology

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In January 2010, **Johnson Outdoors Inc.** filed a **patent infringement lawsuit** against **Navico, Inc.**,

claiming the company infringed on a recently-granted patent related to the use of sonar technology in finding fish. The

patent-at-issue

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USP 7,652,952

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Sonar imagines system for mounting to watercraft
,” was issued on January 26, 2010.

The complaint alleges Navico induced **patent infringement** by resellers by informing purchasers that it would use the patented side scan technology to compete with

Johnson Outdoors

’ product.

Johnson Outdoors

seeks an injunction and a ruling of willful infringement.

Source(s):¹ “*Johnson Outdoors files suit in federal court against maker of Lowrance,*”
CNNMoney, January 27, 2010

(<http://money.cnn.com/news/newsfeeds/articles/globenewswire/182833.htm>).