

**ABSTRACT: Does Venue Transfer Affect Outcome in Patent Litigation?**  
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Forum shopping is widespread in patent litigation because there are clear differences in outcomes among the various federal districts. Parties that are sued in a particularly disadvantageous forum often file a motion to transfer to a more convenient forum. But what happens to those cases once they are transferred? Alternately, what happens to those cases where transfer is denied? This Article tracks patent infringement cases where a motion to transfer was granted and compares them to cases where a motion to transfer was denied to see if these events affected outcome. The goal of this Article is to present new data about forum shopping by patent litigants to give a richer context to the debate over forum shopping in general and serve as a basis for further investigation into its effects on judicial norms and efficiency.