



## ACS Announcement on Leadscope Decision

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The Tenth District Court of Appeals of Ohio has rendered a decision in the case of *American Chemical Society v. Leadscope, Inc., et al.*

Yesterday's decision affirmed the judgment rendered by the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas in this matter and did not grant any of the relief ACS had sought in its appeal.

ACS respectfully disagrees with the decision of the court. As ACS argued in its brief to the court, ACS pursued its claims against the defendants vigorously and supported those claims with substantial evidence. The American legal system is founded upon the right of any party to petition the court for a redress of grievances.

ACS has not yet had an opportunity to carefully assess the details of the decision of the Court of Appeals. Once it has done so, ACS will determine whether it is appropriate for ACS to seek further review of this matter by the Ohio Supreme Court.

The amount of the judgment, which includes certain attorneys' fees and interest, approximates \$40 million. Should satisfaction of the judgment become necessary, ACS does not anticipate that it will result in changes to staff, ongoing programs, or member dues.

The American Chemical Society is a nonprofit organization chartered by the U.S. Congress. With more than 161,000 members, ACS is the world's largest scientific society and a global leader in providing access to chemistry-related research through its multiple databases, peer-reviewed journals and scientific conferences. Its main offices are in Washington, D.C., and Columbus, Ohio.

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