

Appeals Court Affirms the Invalidation of Achieve3000's Patent in a Decisive Win for Beable Education

LAKESWOOD, NJ – August 23, 2024 – The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit affirmed the U.S. Patent Trial and Appeal Board's (PTAB) decision regarding U.S. Patent No. 9,652,993, entitled "Method and apparatus for providing differentiated content based on skill level," ruling in favor of Beable Education and invalidating Achieve3000's patent. Achieve3000, Inc is a division of McGraw Hill, a Platinum Equity portfolio company.

The ruling against Achieve3000 culminated proceedings that started in July 2021, when Beable Education – in response to Achieve3000 suing Beable Education for patent infringement - filed a petition at the PTAB arguing that the claims of Achieve3000's '993 patent are invalid. In January 2023, after a full trial, the PTAB issued a final written decision that invalidated all claims in the '993 patent. Achieve3000 appealed the PTAB's decision to the Federal Circuit. The Federal Circuit has now affirmed the PTAB's decision.

This important decision on behalf of Beable Education is an important step forward to allow Beable to continue to provide school districts nationally with its Life-Ready Literacy® platform. Beable was represented in the matter by Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox.

Beable® is a women-owned public-benefit corporation led by Saki Dodelson. The company's mission is to exponentially accelerate literacy for all students, while creating equitable and personalized pathways to gainful employment. Beable delivers on this mission through the next-generation Life-Ready Literacy® platform that closes the literacy and opportunity gap for all.

A revolutionary, multidimensional platform leveraging advanced technology and evidence-based methodologies, Beable cultivates the whole child by intertwining literacy acceleration, career exploration, personal growth, and academic rigor in a single system. It provides grade-level content and targeted scaffolds at each learner's reading level in English and Spanish, with translation support in 100+ languages. The Life-Ready Literacy platform has won a CODiE Award for the Best Advanced Reading/Writing/Literature Instructional Solution. The company also provides Beable Prep, an ultra-personalized online ACT/SAT prep solution.
