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Loren Mulraine Moderates ABA Forum Panel About Voice Copyright

Spencer Fane attorney [Loren Mulraine](#) spoke at the American Bar Association (ABA) Forum on Entertainment & Sports Industries' 45th Annual Conference on October 6 in Las Vegas.

During the session, Sound-a-like Issues: From *Midler v. Ford Motor Co.* to *Astley v. Hauri*, Loren moderated a discussion between Suzanne Kessler, Loeb & Loeb's Tim Warnock, and Mandell Menkes' Peter Strand about the lawsuit singer Rick Astley recently filed against rapper Yung Gravy. The panelists analyzed the development of the doctrine prohibiting the creation and use of a person's voice without permission and also discussed the application of those concepts to the use and misuse of AI.

The panel was part of the conference's three-day programming featuring leading entertainment and sports attorneys discussing a wide spectrum of entertainment and sports topics. In addition to providing several presentations and keynotes for CLE credit, this ABA forum also afforded networking opportunities, receptions, breakfasts, lunches, and behind-the-scenes tours.

At Spencer Fane, Loren merges an understanding of the creative elements of the entertainment and media industries with legal and business skills to protect his clients' intellectual property, build their business enterprises, and advocate for social justice. His clients have included Grammy, Dove, and Stellar award winners; gold, platinum, and multiplatinum-selling artists; and professionals in the music, media, film / tv, theater, and sports industries. Loren is also a professor and director of Music and Entertainment Law Studies at Belmont University College of Law.