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Mike Hobbs, a partner in Troutman Pepper's Intellectual Property Practice Group, is quoted in the *Reuters* article, "[Cleveland Team Is Sued Over Guardians Name Change by Roller Derby Team.](#)"

"There is no blanket rule in trademark law that two teams, even in professional sports, cannot have the same name," said Michael Hobbs, a partner at Troutman Pepper Hamilton Sanders.

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