



# CHRIS TROWBRIDGE AND HEATH CHEEK'S CATTLE FRAUD VERDICT NAMED A TOP 100 VERDICT IN THE U.S. IN 2017

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*VerdictSearch's* list of "Top 100 Verdicts 2017" – featured in *The National Law Journal* – includes the unanimous \$23.1 million jury verdict secured in January 2017 by Bell Nunnally Partners [Christopher B. Trowbridge](#) and [R. Heath Cheek](#) on behalf of Sidney, Nebraska-based cattle broker *Midwestern Cattle*. Trowbridge and Cheek obtained a jury verdict win for their client related to a fraudulent scheme involving complex cash flow streams and the use of a fraudulent cattle business. The case, which garnered national media attention, is *Midwestern Cattle Marketing LLC vs. Tony Lyon, Owen Lyon, and Monna Lyon*, Cause No. 15-07-061, in the 271st District Court in Jack County, Texas. According to VerdictSearch, the jury verdict was the 15<sup>th</sup> largest in Texas and 79<sup>th</sup> largest in the United States in 2017. Among business torts, the verdict was 11<sup>th</sup> in Texas and 23<sup>rd</sup> in the United States, and was the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest breach of contract case in Texas and 5<sup>th</sup> largest in the United States.

To read the verdict press release, including a case synopsis, please click [here](#).

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- *The Fence Post* – "[Texas jury finds for Neb. and Colo. cattlemen in fraud conspiracy](#)"
- *Law360* – "[Texas Jury Awards \\$23M For Cattle Broker Fraud](#)"
- *Sidney Sun-Telegraph* – "[Verdict for Sidney-based cattle broker in cattle fraud case](#)"



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- *The Texas Lawbook* – “[Jack Co. Family Hit with \\$23M Cattle Fraud Verdict](#)”
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