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# Phony ChatGPT Brief Leads to \$5,000 Fine for NY Lawyers

- Judge said they ignored signs of fake citations, misled court
- Bogus brief was part of claim for client injured on plane

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The firm and the lawyers, Steven Schwartz and Peter LoDuca, “abandoned their responsibilities when they submitted non-existent judicial opinions with fake quotes and citations created by the artificial intelligence tool ChatGPT, then continued to stand by the fake opinions after judicial orders called their existence into question,” Castel said in a written opinion.