



Jury Tosses Musk's \$134B OpenAI Lawsuit in Under Two Hours

A federal jury in Oakland, California delivered a swift and unanimous verdict Monday, dismissing all of Elon Musk's claims against OpenAI CEO Sam Altman and the AI company he co-founded a decade ago. The nine-member advisory jury, which took less than two hours to deliberate, found that Musk had waited too long under the statute of limitations to bring his lawsuit — effectively throwing out his central allegations without ever ruling on their merits.

Musk had filed suit in 2024, accusing Altman, co-founder Greg Brockman, and Microsoft of breaching a charitable trust he claims was established when he donated some \$38 million to the original nonprofit OpenAI. He sought the removal of Altman and Brockman

from their leadership roles, the dismantling of OpenAI's for-profit structure, and up to \$134 billion in so-called ill-gotten gains. District Court Judge Yvonne Gonzalez Rogers immediately adopted the jury's advisory verdict and dismissed the case, including Musk's parallel claim that Microsoft had aided and abetted the alleged breach.

OpenAI's lead attorney William Savitt called the decision a vindication, telling reporters outside the courthouse that the verdict confirmed the lawsuit was "a hypocritical attempt to sabotage a competitor." Musk responded on X within hours, writing that "the judge and jury never actually ruled on the merits of the case, just on a calendar

technicality," and vowed to appeal to the 9th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals.

The verdict lands at a consequential moment for both men. OpenAI, which has surpassed \$25 billion in annualized revenue, is reportedly taking early steps toward a public listing, potentially as soon as late 2026. Musk's own AI venture, xAI — which started in 2023 and has since been folded into SpaceX — is also preparing for one of the most anticipated IPOs in recent memory. The courtroom defeat does not end Musk's legal campaign entirely, but it closes the principal front of a three-week trial that had captivated Silicon Valley and reshaped public understanding of how OpenAI's governance and for-profit transformation came about.

Top Global News

US-Iran Ceasefire Holds Tenuously as Nuclear Talks Remain Deadlocked

The fragile ceasefire between the United States and Iran — in place since April 8, 2026 following large-scale US-Israeli airstrikes — is straining under continued violations and failed negotiations. As of May 17, President Trump had reportedly set five new preconditions for Iran to resume formal deal talks, including the delivery of 400kg of enriched uranium to the US and limiting Iran to a single operational nuclear facility.

Trump's envoys Steve Witkoff and Jared Kushner have been negotiating a 14-point memorandum of understanding via Pakistani mediators that would declare an end to hostilities and launch a 30-day negotiation period covering nuclear restrictions, sanctions relief, and the Strait of Hormuz. Iran has so far resisted the terms, with parliament speaker Ghalibaf publicly mocking reports of progress. A drone strike also targeted the UAE's sole nuclear power plant this past weekend in what authorities called an unprovoked terrorist attack, with no injuries or radiological release reported.



Hantavirus Cruise Ship Outbreak Claims Three Lives; Canada Confirms Case

Canada has confirmed a hantavirus case linked to the MV Hondius cruise ship outbreak that has now killed three passengers and sickened at least ten people. American passengers aboard the ship have been repatriated to the US, with three New

Yorkers among those quarantined in Nebraska and Atlanta due to ongoing hantavirus concerns. At least one American on the repatriation flight began showing symptoms, and another tested mildly PCR positive for the Andes virus, according to the Department of Health and Human Services. More than 100 passengers from the vessel were disembarked as part of the public health response.

Top US News



Two Navy Jets Collide Mid-Air at Idaho Air Show; Crew Ejects Safely

Two Navy jets collided mid-air during the Gunfighter Skies Air Show at Mountain Home Air Force Base in Idaho on Sunday, prompting a base lockdown. The crew of both aircraft successfully ejected before impact. The incident occurred in front of spectators at the annual military air show. Emergency crews rushed to the scene. No further casualties among ground personnel were immediately reported. The Navy has launched an investigation into the collision.

DOJ Establishes \$1.776 Billion 'Anti-Weaponization Fund' After Trump Drops IRS Lawsuit

The Justice Department announced the creation of a \$1.776 billion "Anti-Weaponization Fund" following President Trump's decision to voluntarily dismiss his \$10 billion lawsuit against the IRS over his leaked tax returns. The fund is framed by the administration as a mechanism to prevent government agencies from targeting political

Ukraine News

Pokrovsk Positions 'Almost Cut Off'; Ukraine Claims Stepanovsk in Zaporizhzhia

The front-line situation around Pokrovsk in the Donetsk region has deteriorated sharply, with Ukrainian commanders warning that their positions north of the city are "almost cut off" amid mounting Russian pressure. Russian drone superiority has made troop rotations, evacuations, and resupply missions nearly impossible in that sector. The Pokrovsk and Huliaipole sectors remain the hottest areas of fighting, with 195 combat clashes recorded along the entire front line on May 17 alone.

On a more positive note for Kyiv, Ukraine's military intelligence claimed control of Stepanovsk in Zaporizhzhia Oblast, with footage released by the "Artan" special unit showing Ukrainian forces engaging Russian troops in the settlement. President Zelensky has cited Ukraine's expanding long-range capabilities as changing the strategic picture of the war. Ukrainian drones struck an oil loading station in the Solnechnogorsk area of the Moscow region, starting a fire.

US Grants Russia Oil Sanctions Waiver Again; Ukraine Reveals First Domestic Glide Bomb

The Trump administration has again extended a sanctions waiver for Russian oil despite earlier pledges from Treasury Secretary Bessent not to do so. The Kyiv Independent reports this is the second time the administration has renewed the relief, drawing criticism from Ukraine and European allies who argue such waivers undermine economic pressure on Moscow. Separately, Ukraine has revealed its first domestically produced glide bomb. The

development is significant because Russia has continuously modified similar weapons to increase range and destructive power, making them one of the biggest front-line threats. Ukraine's ability to field its own version could help alter the balance of the air war. Estonia's spy chief told the Kyiv Independent that internal pressure from battlefield failures and economic difficulties means "time is not on Putin's side."

Vietnamese News

Vietnam Celebrates Ho Chi Minh's 136th Birthday with National Ceremonies

Vietnam observed the 136th anniversary of President Ho Chi Minh's birth on May 19, 2026, with commemorations held across the country and internationally. In Hue, ethnic groups from the western part of the city recreated special traditional rituals. Ceremonies were also held in Brussels and Hiroshima. Vietnam's current top leadership published a dedicated article reaffirming that Ho Chi Minh's ideology remains the guiding framework for the country's development.

The Vietnam Youth Federation launched its annual "I Love My Fatherland" journey in Nghe An Province on May 16 as part of the celebrations, which also mark the federation's 70th anniversary. A special free art program featuring musical and dramatic works about Ho Chi Minh was staged at venues across the country.

Vietnam's Basic Salary to Rise in July; Stock Market Near Record Highs

Vietnam's government has issued a decree raising the basic monthly salary to 2.53 million VND (approximately \$96 USD) effective July 2026, according to Nhan Dan. The move is part

of ongoing efforts to support workers amid broader economic reform. Vietnam's main stock market index, the VN, has climbed over 46% year-on-year and hit a record high of 1,937 points recently, before dipping slightly to 1,925 on May 19. Sentiment has been supported by Moody's upgrade of Vietnam's credit outlook to "positive" from "stable" while affirming its Ba2 rating. FTSE Russell has also reclassified Vietnam to emerging market status, effective September 2026, a move expected to channel billions of dollars of investment into Vietnamese equities.

Top NJ/NY News



LIRR Strike Ends After 3 Days; Limited Service Resumes at Noon Tuesday

The three-day strike on the Long Island Rail Road — the nation's largest commuter rail system — ended Monday night after marathon negotiations between the MTA and five unions representing about half the railroad's workforce reached a tentative deal. Governor Kathy Hochul announced the agreement on X, describing it as "delivering raises for workers while protecting riders and taxpayers."

The strike began Saturday after talks over salaries and healthcare premiums collapsed at the midnight deadline. During the shutdown, roughly 250,000 daily LIRR riders were urged to work from home, with shuttle buses able to serve only a small fraction of commuters. MTA CEO Janno Lieber confirmed that limited phased service — beginning with four main electric branches — would resume at noon Tuesday, with full service expected by the evening rush. The deal still requires ratification by rank-and-file union members; if rejected, the strike could resume. The LIRR lost approximately \$2 million per weekday during the shutdown, and monthly ticket holders will receive prorated refunds.

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Five Teenage Students Drown in Northern Vietnam in Rescue Attempt

Five teenage students drowned in northern Vietnam on May 18 after one was caught in a powerful river current and four friends jumped in to attempt a rescue. The tragedy drew widespread grief in Vietnam, highlighting the recurring danger of strong currents in the country's rivers and waterways, particularly during the warmer months when student outings increase. Authorities have urged greater attention to water safety education.

Financial and Stock News

Markets Under Pressure as Treasury Yields Hit One-Year Highs; NVDA Earnings Ahead

US equity markets are navigating a challenging environment as the 10-year Treasury yield reached 4.61% — its highest in a year — driven by the Moody's US credit downgrade, elevated oil prices tied to the Iran conflict, and sticky inflation concerns. On Monday, the S&P 500 slipped 0.07% and the Nasdaq fell 0.51%, dragged down by a selloff in memory chip makers. Seagate plunged nearly 7% after its

Dorchester Elementary School News & Events

Memorial Day Weekend: School Closed May 22 and May 25

Dorchester Elementary School will be closed for the Memorial Day holiday weekend. School is closed Friday, May 22, and again on Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day. Families should plan accordingly for the extended weekend break.

Dorchester Field Day Scheduled for Friday, May 29

Dorchester Field Day is coming up on Friday, May 29. This is one of the most anticipated events of the school year for students in all grades. The rain date is set for Friday, June 5, if needed due to weather. Families are encouraged to watch for communications from the school closer to the date with details on activities and any volunteer opportunities.

Top Tech and AI News



Google I/O 2026 Kicks Off Today: Gemini Upgrades, Android XR Glasses, and Googlebooks

Google's annual developer conference, Google I/O 2026, officially opens today, May 19, with the main keynote beginning at 10 AM PT / 1 PM ET at the Shoreline Amphitheatre in Mountain View. The two-day event runs through May 20 and is expected to feature a major Gemini AI model upgrade — with rumors of Gemini 4 or a significant 3.x revision — along with the debut of Android XR smart glasses powered by Gemini, and more details on Googlebooks, the new category of AI-first laptops announced at The Android Show.

Googlebooks will run on "Aluminium OS," a next-generation platform merging Android and ChromeOS, and will be built by Acer, ASUS, Dell, HP, and Lenovo for a fall release. Google has also previewed Gemini Intelligence, which embeds Gemini directly into the Android OS rather than as a standalone app. Chrome updates, Veo 4 video generation, and new Gemma open model family updates are also on the agenda. Bank of America analysts said ahead of the event that they expect a new flagship Gemini model and see Google as having a strong advantage in the AI race due to its deep infrastructure position.

NVIDIA Reports Q1 FY27 Earnings Wednesday Amid Massive Analyst Expectations

All eyes on Wall Street are turning to NVIDIA's fiscal Q1 2027 earnings report due Wednesday, May 20, after the market close. Analysts consensus sits at roughly \$78-\$80 billion in revenue — implying approximately 77-79% year-on-year growth — and \$1.77-\$1.79 in non-GAAP earnings per share. Goldman Sachs has forecast a beat of roughly \$2 billion above consensus. Prediction markets assign a 90% or higher probability that NVIDIA beats.

The key variables investors will watch beyond the headline revenue number include gross margin direction, Q2 guidance, and any commentary on China chip sales. Clearance for some Chinese firms to purchase NVIDIA's H200 processors has revived optimism around China-related revenue. Morgan Stanley raised its price target to \$285, and DA Davidson raised its target to \$300. Cantor Fitzgerald's analyst said he would "wholeheartedly" buy NVIDIA ahead of and after earnings. Options markets are pricing an 8-10% move in either direction around the print.

CEO said at a JPMorgan conference that building new factories would "take too long," sparking fears the sector cannot keep pace with surging AI demand. Micron also fell around 6%. Market attention is now squarely on NVIDIA's Q1 FY27 earnings due Wednesday, May 20. Analysts expect revenue of approximately \$78-\$80 billion, up ~79% year-on-year. US futures on Tuesday are little changed, with investors also watching earnings from Home Depot, Keysight Technologies, and Toll Brothers. The Fed rate hike probability for December 2026 climbed to 45%, according to the CME FedWatch Tool.

LiveRamp Surges 27% on \$2.5B Publicis Acquisition; SpaceX Stock Split Underway

LiveRamp Holdings jumped 27% in early trading Monday after advertising giant Publicis Groupe announced it would acquire the data connectivity company in an all-cash deal valued at \$2.5 billion. The deal underscores the ongoing consolidation in the digital advertising and data sector as major players seek to strengthen their first-party data capabilities ahead of a cookieless advertising world.

Meanwhile, SpaceX has notified shareholders of a 5-for-1 stock split, adjusting the per-share price from approximately \$526.59 to \$105.32. The split is expected to be processed by May 22, sources say. SpaceX's IPO, which is expected to raise roughly \$75 billion and value the company at up to \$1.75 trillion, is approaching rapidly and is expected to be one of the largest public offerings in history.

CALENDAR

TODAY — MAY 19

4:00 PM Lizzy: Hip hop
5:00 PM Soccer: Dorchester practice

TOMORROW — MAY 20

12:00 AM Hien Nguyen's birthday
7:00 PM Racquetball weekly

THURSDAY — MAY 21

5:00 PM William: Karate

FRIDAY — MAY 22

12:00 AM Memorial Day Weekend - School Closed
11:45 AM Warm springs
6:15 PM Soccer Practice

SATURDAY — MAY 23

12:00 AM Clean house front walls
2:00 PM Music class William and Elizabeth

MONDAY — MAY 25

12:00 AM Reminder: Order no fuss lunch for kids.
12:00 AM Memorial Day
12:00 AM Memorial Day - School Closed

TUESDAY — MAY 26

4:00 PM Lizzy: Hip hop

MOVIES



Flower Bot

In theaters May 17, 2026

In a scorching hot desert, Betty, a young robot still grieving her kind, discovers a miraculous flower. To protect her, Betty will have to face the elements and her ties to the past...



The Sheep Detectives

In theaters May 8, 2026

George Hardy is a shepherd who reads detective novels to his beloved sheep every night, assuming they can't possibly understand. But when a mysterious incident disrupts life on the farm, the sheep realize they must become the detectives. As they follow the clues and investigate human suspects, they prove that even sheep can be brilliant crime-solvers.



My Hero Academia: More

In theaters May 2, 2026

Eight years later, Deku and his friend are on their adult hero journeys, but something is bothering Uraraka...



Swapped

In theaters May 1, 2026

A small woodland creature and a majestic bird, two natural sworn enemies of the Valley, magically trade places and set off on an adventure of lifetime to switch back. Their journey soon uncovers a greater threat—one that could endanger not only their species, but the entire valley they call home.



That Time I Got Reincarnated as a Slime the Movie: Tears of the Azure Sea

In theaters May 1, 2026

After concluding the opening ceremony of the Demon Kingdom Federation Tempest, Rimuru and his companions are invited by the Celestial Emperor Hermes of the great elven nation — the Magi Dynast Salion — to visit her private resort island. As the group enjoys their brief vacation, a mysterious woman named Yura appears. A new incident unfolds against the backdrop of the boundless azure sea.