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Supreme Court Rules that State AG Parens Patriae Suits Are Not Mass Actions under CAFA

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The Supreme Court yesterday issued an important decision that limits the ability of defendants to remove lawsuits brought by state attorneys general from state to federal court.

In *Mississippi v. AU Optronics Corp*, No. 12-1036, the Court unanimously held that a price-fixing action brought by Mississippi Attorney General was not a "mass action" because the state was the sole named plaintiff, and therefore the case could not be removed from state court to federal court under the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005.

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