

In Rare Bipartisan Move, 31 States Ask SCOTUS to Undo Ban on Consumer Antitrust Claims

Reuters **points to an effort** illustrating a rare show of bipartisanship as state politicians rally around the cause of overturning U.S. Supreme Court precedent that protects monopolists from consumer suits.

Alison Frankel writes that “31 state attorneys general from across the political spectrum united in an amicus brief asking the Supreme Court to overturn its 1977 precedent in *Illinois Brick v. Illinois*, which blocks downstream purchasers from asserting antitrust claims under federal law. The state AGs – including GOP stalwarts from Texas and Florida as well as activist Democratic AGs from New York, California and Massachusetts – argue that the Supreme Court’s *Illinois Brick* doctrine was ill-advised, judge-made policy that has been repudiated by decades of antitrust litigation under state laws passed in its wake.”

Read the Reuters article.