

# Arbitration Under Fire: Brace for Less Contract Freedom and More Class Actions

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Encouraged by consumer groups and trial lawyers, federal regulators are pushing for limits on arbitration provisions in consumer contracts, writes **George Calhoun** in **IfrahLaw's FTC Beat**.

"At its core, the debate is about whether companies may compel consumers to arbitrate rather than litigate disputes and – perhaps more significantly – bar consumers from class action remedies as part of the arbitration requirement," he writes.

"We will not be surprised to see some companies restrict their consumer offerings or increase prices to account for these new rules." the article continues. "If you work in American business, we urge you to take notice of these changes and review how to protect your company from undue litigation in future contracts."

**Read the article.**