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Dear Subscriber,

Forced arbitration is
considered by many as a dire
and growing threat to our
constitutional right to an open
and unbiased hearing in court.
Yet most Americans have
never even heard of it. Take a
minute and learn how this
issue affects all of us.



THE DOCKET /

Businesses Use Loophole to Deny Day in Court

Injustice, Thy Name Is Forced Arbitration

Tia's employment case
against Circuit City was
thrown out of court even
though her boss sexually
harassed her for months,
once even exposing his
genitals. Javier lost his job
when he was deployed
overseas despite federal laws
protecting employment for
members of the Armed services. Alan and other small business owners
were told they couldn't take American Express to court for charging
exorbitant exchange rates. Marjorie, Roberta, Richard, Dean, Frances,
Beulah, Horace and Mary all suffered terribly and died from nursing home
neglect, yet their families were not able to sue the nursing home
companies.



*Tia was sexually harassed by her boss at
Circuit City for months. Her [story here](#).*

How could injustices like these be allowed to exist in America where
everyone has the right to take wrongdoers to court? It's called **forced
arbitration**, and you or a loved one may be next to lose your rights.

[More on this growing scam here.](#)

BY THE NUMBERS /

80% Upheld

Forced arbitration clauses with class-action waivers
were upheld in 132 out of 164 federal cases in 2014,
[preventing Americans](#) from taking on big companies for
predatory lending, wage theft and discrimination.

3 of 4 Unaware

A [2015 study](#) found that three out of four consumers
didn't know if they were subject to a forced arbitration
clause, and less than 7 percent were aware that they
were stripped of their right to go to court.

> [OUTSTANDING CONSUMER AND PEER REVIEWS](#)

> [AVVO.COM RATING 10 OUT OF 10, CLIENT RATING 5 OUT OF 5](#)

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30 Million

An estimated 15 to 25 percent of U.S. employers use forced arbitration in employment contracts, which means more than [30 million](#) employees have given up their right to go to court.

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Companies Make Rules In Secret

America Tonight uncovers the pervasive use of forced arbitration clauses in the fine print of just about every product, service or employment contract. [View video.](#)



Forced Arbitration “Isn’t Open, Isn’t Fair”

Rep. Hank Johnson, a sponsor of the [Arbitration Fairness Act](#), speaks to the House of Representatives about the injustice of mandatory arbitration. [View video.](#)



Young Couple Feels Robbed

This *New York Times* video tells how a young couple felt robbed by mandatory arbitration when a used car dealership arbitrarily repossessed their car. [View video.](#)

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Trapped By Fine Print

Businesses are using forced arbitration to deprive Americans of their constitutional rights. Learn how you are already signing away your rights – and what you can do to fight back.

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AAJ Calls Out Businesses

Corporations are using forced arbitration to hide wrongdoing, says Gary M. Paul, former president of the American Association for Justice.

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