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### Legal Reform News Daily

#### Will alien tort case be next Citizens United?

*National Law Journal* | Feb 07, 2012

The next Citizens United, in the view of some of that decision's most vigorous critics, may have nothing to do with campaign finance or the First Amendment.

Tags: [Lawsuit Abuse Impact](#), [Legal Ethics](#)

#### The Global Lawyer: Global Class Actions After Morrison

*Am Law Litigation Daily* | Feb 07, 2012

Two weeks ago I reviewed the wide impact of Morrison v. National Australia Bank in the U.S. federal courts, and the limited prospects for state law workarounds. The Global Lawyer today examines the prospects for Morrison suits abroad, as well as a treaty that might govern them.

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#### Key states move closer to foreclosure-abuse deal

*Wall Street Journal* | Feb 07, 2012

California and New York, the key holdouts in a long-awaited settlement over foreclosure abuses, moved closer Monday to backing a deal that would force the five largest mortgage lenders to reduce loans for about 1 million households. More than 40 U.S. states have agreed to a nationwide settlement.

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#### After Honda verdict, will consumers head to court?

*Reuters* | Feb 07, 2012

Heather Peters' win in a Los Angeles small claims court against Honda Motor Co has all the makings of a David vs. Goliath battle, but some experts are sceptical it will spur angry consumers nationwide to do what she did: abandon complaint lines, class-action suits and lawyers, and just go it alone through the legal system.

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#### NYC judge throws out beer pong lawsuit Article Comments more in New York

*Wall Street Journal* | Feb 07, 2012

A judge has thrown out a New Jersey man's lawsuit against a Greenwich Village pub over injuries he suffered following a beer pong game.

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#### FCPA Sting Setbacks Put Pressure On The FBI

*Wall Street Journal Corruption Currents* | Feb 07, 2012

When the Federal Bureau of Investigation's dedicated foreign corruption team cooked up operation "Alternate Breach" in 2008 they had no way of knowing that their undercover sting investigation would be lambasted in court three years later.

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#### A Guest Post From The Africa Sting Jury Foreman

*FCPA Professor* | Feb 07, 2012

After Judge Leon declared a mistrial in the second Africa Sting trial last week, I was contacted by an individual who identified himself/herself as the jury foreman in the case. After taking certain steps to reasonably assure myself of the individual's identity and role in the Africa Sting case, I am pleased to publish this guest post from the jury foreman.

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#### OPINION: Health care in Oregon: Access, malpractice need attention in governor's bill

*Oregonian* | Feb 07, 2012

A recent editorial in this newspaper, titled "Time to OK a new health plan" (Jan. 31), made some very good points about why lawmakers should pass the governor's health care transformation bill. While hitting many of the high points, the editorial missed some of the glaring issues yet to be resolved. As written, the bill fails to increase access for Oregonians and fails to address the costs of medical malpractice premiums, which are strangling our health care system.

Tags: [Medical Liability](#), [Oregon](#)

#### OPINION: Class-action lawyers swarm around buyout deals

*St. Louis Post-Dispatch* | Feb 07, 2012

When Solutia agreed to sell itself for \$4.7 billion, its stock price jumped 41 percent and most investors seemed to think it was a good deal. Nine law firms are trying to convince them otherwise.

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