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Five-to-Four Cases

5-4 Alignments (Yellow indicates conservative majority within the 5)

| | Justices | Total | Case Names |
|---------------------------|---|-------|--|
| Ideologically Divided | Roberts, Scalia, Thomas, Alito, Kennedy | 8 | McDonald, Free Enterprise Fund, Rent-A-Center, Berghuis v. Thompkins, Salazar, Conkright†, Stotl-Nielsen†, Perdue |
| | Stevens, Ginsburg, Breyer, Sotomayor, Kennedy | 3 | Christian Legal Society, Sears, Wellons |
| Not Ideologically Divided | Roberts, Scalia, Thomas, Alito, Stevens | 1 | New Process Steel v. NLRB |
| | Roberts, Scalia, Thomas, Stevens, Sotomayor | 1 | Shady Grove Orthopedics |
| | Scalia, Kennedy, Alito, Stevens, Breyer | 1 | South Carolina v. North Carolina |
| | Stevens, Breyer, Sotomayor, Scalia, Thomas | 1 | Magwood |
| | Ginsburg, Breyer, Sotomayor, Thomas, Alito | 1 | Dolan |

5-4 Opinion Authorship

| Justice | Opinions |
|------------|----------|
| Alito | 4 |
| Roberts | 2 |
| Scalia | 2 |
| Kennedy | 2 |
| Stevens | 1 |
| Thomas | 1 |
| Ginsburg | 1 |
| Breyer | 1 |
| Sotomayor | 0 |
| Per Curiam | 2 |
| Total | 16 |

5-4 Membership in the Majority

| Justice | Votes |
|-----------|-------|
| Scalia | 11 |
| Kennedy | 11 |
| Thomas | 11 |
| Alito | 10 |
| Roberts | 9 |
| | |
| Stevens | 7 |
| Breyer | 6 |
| Sotomayor | 6 |
| Ginsburg | 4 |

† Conkright v. Frommert and Stolt-Nielsen S.A. v. AnimalFeeds Internationa Corp. are both classified as 5-4 because it seems very likely that, had all nine Justices participated, the vote would have split that way.