

Key:		Blue Fill: Pro-Business Ruling			White Fill: Anti-Business Ruling			Gray Fill: Neutral to Business									
Petitioner	Respondent	Author	Ginsburg	Souter	Stevens	Breyer	Kennedy	Roberts	Alito	Scalia	Thomas	Vote	Result	Holding			
Allison Engine	United States, ex rel Sanders	Alito										9	0	Vac. & Rem.	Under the False Claims Act, a plaintiff must prove the defendant intended a false statement be material to the Government's decision to pay or approve the false claim, not merely that the false statement's use resulted in payment or approval of the claim or that Government money was used to pay the false or fraudulent claim.		
Bridge	Phoenix Bond & Immunity	Thomas										9	0	Aff.	A plaintiff asserting a RICO claim predicated on mail fraud need not show, either as an element of its claim or as a prerequisite to establishing proximate causation, that it relied on the defendant's alleged misrepresentations.		
CBOCS West	Humphries	Breyer										7	2	Aff.	Section 42 U.S.C. 1981 permits racial retaliation claims.		
Chamber of Commerce	Brown	Stevens										7	2	Rev. & Rem.	National Labor Relations Act preempts a California law against employers' use of state money to influence employees' views on unions.		
CSX	Georgia Board of Equalization	Roberts										9	0	Rev.	The Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 allows railroads to attempt to show that state methods for determining the value of railroad property result in a discriminatory determination of true market value.		
Exxon	Baker	Souter										5	3	Vac. & Rem.	A \$2.5 billion punitive damages award resulting from the Exxon Valdez oil spill is excessive as a matter of maritime common law, which permits no more than a 1-to-1 ratio with compensatory damages.		
Federal Express	Holowecski	Kennedy										7	2	Aff.	The filings of a Form 283 "Intake Questionnaire" and accompanying detailed affidavit constituted the filing of a "charge" under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, as it could be reasonably construed a request for the EEOC to take remedial action on the employee's behalf.		
Florida Department of Revenue	Picadilly Cafeterias	Thomas										7	2	Rev. & Rem.	The stamp-tax exemption of 11 USC 1146(a) does not apply to transfers made before a plan is confirmed under Chapter 11.		
Gomez-Perez	Potter	Alito										6	3	Rev. & Rem.	The Age Discrimination in Employment Act prohibits retaliation against federal employees who complain of age discrimination.		
Hall Street Associates	Mattel	Souter										6	3	Vac. & Rem.	The Federal Arbitration Act's grounds for prompt vacatur and modification of awards are exclusive for parties seeking expedited review under the Act.		
John R. Sand & Gravel	United States	Breyer										7	2	Aff.	The special statute of limitations governing the Court of Federal Claims requires sua sponte consideration of the timeliness of a lawsuit, the government's waiver of the issue notwithstanding.		
Larue	DeWolff, Boberg & Associates	Stevens										9	0	Vac. & Rem.	Although ERISA §502(a)(2) does not provide a remedy for individual injuries distinct from plan injuries, it does authorize recovery for fiduciary breaches that impair the value of plan assets in a participant's individual account.		
Meacham	Knolls Atomic Power Lab	Souter					Recused					7	1	Vac. & Rem.	When an employer engages in business practices that place a disproportionate burden on older workers, the employer bears the burden of persuasion of showing that its action was based on reasonable factors other than age.		
Meadwestvaco	Illinois Department of Revenue	Alito										9	0	Vac. & Rem.	Illinois state courts erred in considering whether Lexis served an "operational purpose" in Mead's business after determining that Lexis and Mead were not unitary.		

<i>Metlife</i>	<i>Glenn</i>	Breyer									6	3	Aff.	A company that both administers and funds a benefit plan operates under a conflict of interest that must be considered as a factor in a court's review of claim denials.
<i>Morgan Stanley Capital Group</i>	<i>Public Utility District No. 1</i>	Scalia									5	2	Aff. & Rem.	The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) was required to apply the <i>Mobile Sierra</i> presumption in determining whether to modify electricity contracts reached during the 2000-2001 Western energy crisis.
<i>Plains Commerce Bank</i>	<i>Long Family Land & Cattle</i>	Roberts									5	4	Rev.	The Tribal Court did not have jurisdiction to adjudicate a discrimination claim concerning a non-Indian Bank's sale of its fee land.
<i>Preston</i>	<i>Ferrer</i>	Ginsburg									8	1	Rev. & Rem.	When parties agree to arbitrate all questions arising under a contract, the Federal Arbitration Act (FAA) supersedes state laws lodging primary jurisdiction in another forum, whether judicial or administrative.
<i>Quanta Computer</i>	<i>L.G. Electronics</i>	Thomas									9	0	Rev.	Because the doctrine of patent exhaustion applies to method patents, and because the license agreement at issue authorized the sale of components that substantially embody the patents in suit, the exhaustion doctrine prevents the respondent from further asserting its patent rights with respect to the patents substantially embodied by those products.
<i>Riegel</i>	<i>Medtronic</i>	Scalia									8	1	Aff.	The pre-emption clause of the Medical Device Amendments of 1976 bar common-law claims challenging the safety or effectiveness of a medical device marketed in a form that received premarket approval from the FDA.
<i>Rowe</i>	<i>NH Motor Transport Association</i>	Breyer									9	0	Aff.	The Federal Aviation Administration Authorization Act of 1994 pre-empts a Maine statute requiring tobacco shipper to use delivery companies that verify the age of the customer.
<i>Sprint</i>	<i>APCC Services</i>	Breyer									5	4	Aff.	An assignee of a legal claim for money owed has standing to pursue that claim in federal court, even when the assignee has promised to remit the proceeds of the litigation to the assignor.
<i>Sprint/United Management</i>	<i>Mendelsohn</i>	Thomas									9	0	Vac. & Rem.	The Court of Appeals erred in concluding the District Court applied a <i>per se</i> rule that evidence from employees of other supervisors is irrelevant in age discrimination claims, and thus should have remanded the case for clarification.
<i>Stoneridge Investment</i>	<i>Scientific-Atlanta</i>	Kennedy									5	3	Aff. & Rem.	Section 10(b) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 does not create a private right of action against defendants upon whose statements or representations investors did not rely.