

**08-1008 SHADY GROVE ORTHOPEDIC ASSOC. V. ALLSTATE INSURANCE CO.**

DECISION BELOW: 549 F.3d 137

LOWER COURT CASE NUMBER: 07-0141

**QUESTION PRESENTED:**

1. Can a state legislature properly prohibit the federal courts from using the class action device for state law claims?
2. Can state legislatures dictate procedure in the federal courts?
3. Could state-law class actions eventually disappear altogether, as more state legislatures declare them off limits to the federal courts?

**CERT. GRANTED 5/4/2009**