

Class Action Defendants Are Not Required to Submit Proof of the Amount in Controversy in Their Notice of Removal

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On December 15, 2014, the Supreme Court of the United States issued a five to four decision in *Dart Cherokee Basis Operating Co., LLC, et al.* v. *Owens*, holding that class action defendants seeking removal to federal court under the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005 ("CAFA") need not submit proof of the amount in controversy in a notice of removal, and need only submit proof of the amount in controversy if the plaintiff contests the defendant's assertion.

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